

HB 2070 -- POLICE OFFICER COMPENSATION

SPONSOR: Corlew

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Crime Prevention and Public Safety by a vote of 8 to 0.

This bill increases the maximum base annual compensation of Kansas City police officers of various ranks, as specified in the bill.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this does not give Kansas City officers a raise; rather, it increases the cap for their salary ranges. The current statute is outdated and is from when the department was under state control.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Corlew; Kansas City Board of Police Commissioners; Kansas City Fraternal Order of Police; and the City of Kansas City, Missouri.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.