HB 355 -- PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

SPONSOR: Plocher

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Utilities by a vote of 14 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules-Legislative Oversight by a vote of 8 to 0.

Currently, an applicant may file the notice of appeal of a decision issued by the Public Service Commission with the commission, which must forward the appeal to the appellate court. This bill would modify the filing requirements so that the applicant files the appeal directly with the appellate court and pays all necessary filing fees and notice of the appeal is served on the commission.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill would make the process of appealing a decision issued by the Public Service Commission more efficient.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Plocher and Missouri Public Service Commission.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.