

HB 1004 -- AD VALOREM TAXES

SPONSOR: Fitzwater

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Economic Development by a vote of 13 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Legislative Oversight by a vote of 7 to 0.

Currently, a property that was partially or completely exempt from ad valorem property taxes under the tax increment financing, enterprise zone, and urban redevelopment corporations programs must be included in the value of new construction and improvements for the purposes of assessed valuations once such property becomes partially or completely subject to taxation. This bill expands the provision to cover all such properties under any ad valorem property tax program.

This bill is the same as SB 97 (2019).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill is clean up language in statute so that when construction comes off tax abatement it does not trigger provisions of the "Hancock Amendment." It was claimed that under current law, when a development comes off of abatement, if it were in an amount to trigger the provision of the Constitution, it would have a substantially detrimental affect on local revenues.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Fitzwater and the Missouri Economic Development Council.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.