HCS HCR 43 -- OPPOSE GREEN NEW DEAL

SPONSOR: Shawan

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on Utilities by a vote of 9 to 6. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules-Legislative Oversight by a vote of 6 to 2.

This House Concurrent Resolution urges President Trump and the Missouri Congressional Delegation to oppose House Resolution 109 proposing Green New Deal introduced by Congresswoman Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the Green New Deal would devastate the state's economy by harming or eliminating the largest industry, agriculture and forcing changes in the energy supply that would cause the cost of electricity to skyrocket.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Shawan.

OPPONENTS: Those who oppose the bill say that this resolution cites a staff memo that is not a part of the Green New Deal. The Green New Deal is an important framework for dealing with the serious challenge of climate change that is affecting not only Missouri or the United States, but the entire planet.

Testifying against the bill was Michael Berg, Sierra Club Missouri Chapter.