HCS SB 134 -- SOLID WASTE

SPONSOR: Wallingford

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on Conservation and Natural Resources by a vote of 7 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules-Administrative Oversight by a vote of 8 to 1.

Currently, the Director of the Department of Natural Resources may institute a civil penalty for violations concerning a solid waste disposal area, and the assessment of a penalty shall not exceed \$1,000 per day for each day the violation occurred or continues to occur. This bill repeals this authority.

The bill also extends from January 1, 2020, to December 31, 2025, the expiration of the fee collected from retailers for the disposal of old tires.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that currently there are two penalty provisions relating to violations at a solid waste disposal area with different penalties. This bill would clarify which penalty the department may assess.

Testifying for the bill were Senator Wallingford and Missouri Department of Natural Resources.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.