HB 1699 -- INTOXICATING LIQUOR

SPONSOR: Knight

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on General Laws by a vote of 11 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules-Legislative Oversight by a vote of 10 to 0.

Currently, an establishment with the appropriate liquor license is allowed to sell intoxicating liquor between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and midnight on Sundays. This bill expands the hours to 6:00 a.m. on Sundays through 1:30 a.m. on Mondays.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that Sunday liquor sales should be the same as any other day of the week. The current law is outdated and needs to be updated.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Knight; Missouri Beer Wholesalers Association; Missouri Retailers Association; Missouri Grocers Association; Missouri Retailers Association; and Anheuser-Busch.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.