HCS HB 1912 -- RECREATION VEHICLE DEALERS

SPONSOR: Bailey

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on Transportation by a vote of 11 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Administrative Oversight by a vote of 9 to 0.

The following is a summary of the House Committee Substitute for HB 1912.

Currently, a recreation vehicle (RV) manufacturer must repurchase new, untitled RVs from the current and prior model year from an RV dealer when the dealer agreement is terminated, canceled, or not renewed by the manufacturer for cause. This bill modifies such repurchase to include voluntary dealer terminations within the RV dealer agreement, discontinuation of a franchise or line-make, distributor changes, and ceasing to do business in the state.

The repurchase requirement is limited to new, untitled recreation vehicle inventory acquired from the manufacturer in the previous 18 months that has not been altered or damaged at 100% of the net invoice cost, including transportation, less applicable rebates and discounts to the dealer.

The following is a summary of the public testimony from the committee hearing. The testimony was based on the introduced version of the bill.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill expands current authorized buy-back procedures and is an important "fix" for dealers.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Bailey; Joshua Schmutz; and the Missouri RV Dealers Association.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.