

## HCS HB 2128 -- TRAILER LENGTH REQUIREMENTS

SPONSOR: Rone

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on Agriculture Policy by a vote of 27 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Administrative Oversight by a vote of 8 to 0.

The following is a summary of the House Committee Substitute for HB 2128.

This bill exempts vehicles towing trailers specifically designed to carry harvested cotton with a total length of not more than 93 feet from the size and length requirements for vehicles traveling on the state highways. The vehicle can also be used to transport hay within the state to areas affected by drought.

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 this bill would allow cotton farmers to more efficiently move cotton to the gin. It would allow for 10 modulars of cotton to be carried by one truck and would reduce the number of trucks on the state roads.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Rone.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

OTHERS: Others testifying on the bill say this bill is a good solution to help cotton farmers and these trailers would only be used in harvest season.

Testifying on the bill was Missouri Farm Bureau.