HJR 78 -- ASSESSORS

SPONSOR: Eggleston

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Ways and Means by a vote of 8 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Legislative Oversight by a vote of 8 to 2.

Upon voter approval, this proposed Constitutional amendment would require all assessors to be elected.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill would remove the exemptions that assessors in Jackson County and St. Louis City must be elected. It was claimed that this was the original intent of SJR 5 (2009) which amended the Constitution to its current state and there were exemptions added into the previous Constitutional amendment while it moved through both chambers of the legislature.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Eggleston.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.