HB 563 -- LAND BANKS

SPONSOR: Owen

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Local Government by a vote of 11 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Administrative Oversight by a vote of 11 to 0.

This bill adds certain cities to the provisions in law that authorize home rule cities to establish land bank agencies.

Upon enactment, the bill will apply to the city of Springfield.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that land banks have worked particularly well in Missouri, so the city of Springfield would like to utilize them.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Owen; City of Springfield; and Richard Ollis, City of Springfield.

OPPONENTS: Those who oppose the bill say that the private market should be allowed to work.

Testifying against the bill was Arnie C. Dienoff.

Written testimony has been submitted for this bill. The full written testimony can be found under Testimony on the bill page on the House website.