

HB 679 -- LOCAL EFFORT CALCULATION

SPONSOR: Dinkins

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on General Laws by a vote of 15 to 0.

This bill prevents money received into the Iron County School Fund from the payment of any penalty under the specified administrative order issued by the Department of Natural Resources to be included in the Iron County School calculation for local effort.

The bill contains an emergency clause.

This bill is similar to HCS HB 1817 (2020).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill maintains funding for schools despite a separate order affecting the area. The schools are not involved in the penalty, but they suffer as a result.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Dinkins.

OPPONENTS: Arnie C. Dienoff provided written oppositional testimony.

OTHERS: Others testifying on the bill say the constitution mandates that administrative penalties go into the local school fund, then the foundation formula receives money related to local effort calculation.

Testifying on the bill was Rich Germinder, Missouri Department of Natural Resources.

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.