

HCS SB 72 -- STATE DESIGNATIONS

SPONSOR: Eslinger (Smith (155))

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Special Committee on Tourism by a vote of 10 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Legislative Oversight by a vote of 8 to 0.

The following is a summary of the House Committee Substitute for SB 72.

This bill designates the first full week in September of each year as "Fox Trotter Week" and encourages citizens to recognize our state horse breed which originated in the Ozarks and is known to cowboys and ranchers for its comfort and reliability.

The bill also names The Gateway Arch in St. Louis as the Official State Monument.

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 Association has a packed week full of recognition and activities every year, including an event in Ava that is attended by people from around the globe. This official designation would help them further promote the breed and the events.

Testifying for the bill was Senator Eslinger. Additional testimony was submitted in support of the bill.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

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.