

HCS SS SB 148 -- STREET LIGHT MAINTENANCE

SPONSOR: Mosley

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on Local Government by a vote of 9 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Administration Oversight by a vote of 7 to 0.

The following is a summary of the House Committee Substitute for SB 148.

Currently, elections for street light maintenance district board members are held during the November general election. This bill changes the election for board members to biennially during the April general municipal election.

Currently, nominations may be filed with the secretary of the board. This bill requires that nominations must be filed with the election authority.

The following is a summary of the public testimony from the committee hearing. The testimony was based on the Senate perfected version of the bill.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that street light maintenance district board members should be elected on the municipal election date, and they have not received a raise in meeting fees in 30 years.

Testifying in person for the bill were Senator Mosley; Elbert Walton; and the Municipal League Of Metro St. Louis.

OPPONENTS: Those who oppose the bill say that the city involved renewed its contract with Ameren recently.

Testifying in person against the bill was Ameren.

Written testimony has been submitted for this bill. The full written testimony and witnesses testifying online can be found under House Testimony on Senate Bills on the House website.