



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>HB 657</b>		DATE: <b>2/8/2023</b>	
COMMITTEE: <b>Workforce and Infrastructure Development</b>			
<b>TESTIFYING:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES			
<b>WITNESS NAME</b>			
<b>REGISTERED LOBBYIST:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>BRIAN GRACE</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>573-230-9549</b>	
REPRESENTING: <b>MISSOURI ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL</b>		TITLE:	
ADDRESS: <b>117 MADISON ST.</b>			
CITY: <b>JEFFERSON CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>65101</b>
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<b>BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>JEFF VAN SCHAICK</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>202-600-1612</b>	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>MISSOURI EASTERN RAILROAD</b>		TITLE: <b>SVP EXTERNAL RELATIONS</b>	
ADDRESS: <b>1027 S. MAIN STREET</b>			
CITY: <b>JOPLIN</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>64801</b>
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:	SUBMIT DATE: <b>2/8/2023 12:00 AM</b>	
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<b>REGISTERED LOBBYIST:</b>		
WITNESS NAME: <b>KATHRYN GAMBLE</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>573-634-4876</b>
REPRESENTING: <b>MISSOURI RAILROAD ASSOCIATION</b>		TITLE:
ADDRESS: <b>213 E. CAPITOL AVE.</b>		
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WITNESS NAME: <b>PHILLIP ARZEN</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
ADDRESS:		
CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>parnzen@mochamber.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>2/8/2023 10:06 AM</b>

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**The Missouri Chamber and Industry supports the changes mentioned by Representative Smith that expands the definition to include all railroads.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>RAY MCCARTY</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>573-634-2246</b>	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>ASSOCIATED INDUSTRIES OF MISSOURI</b>		TITLE: <b>PRESIDENT/CEO</b>	
ADDRESS: <b>3234 W TRUMAN BLVD.</b>			
CITY: <b>JEFFERSON CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>65109</b>
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**Associated Industries of Missouri supports this bill. We have found a compromise that benefits not only short line railroads, but also larger railroads that are constructing shorter lines and fully support this compromise.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>RYAN PIDDE</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>605-977-4873</b>	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>MICKELSON AND COMPANY, LLLC</b>		TITLE: <b>VICE PRESIDENT</b>	
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WITNESS NAME: <b>ARNIE C. "HONEST-ABE" DIENOFF-STATE PUBLIC ADVOCATE</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
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I am very Opposed to this Legislative to allow yet another "Tax-Credit" to make overnight Millionaire Private Corporations. Another \$10-Million in Free Giveaways is just what Missouri does not need. These are private companies and they shall have the Obligation and Responsibility to Repair, Maintain and Replace their Private Property and Rail-Line. Reject this idea of giving Corporate Welfare because Lobbyists and Special-Interest tell you it good practice and ok. STOP these Giveaway Tax Credits, with NO Return on Investment!