

HB 1553 -- SUNSHINE LAW

SPONSOR: Sassmann

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Standing Committee on Government Efficiency and Downsizing by a vote of 9 to 0. Voted "Do Pass- Consent" by the Standing Committee on Consent and House Procedure by a vote of 6 to 0.

This bill adds individually identifiable customer information for visitors who make a camping, lodging, or other shelter reservation for a state park or historic site to the list of records that are exempt from disclosure under the Sunshine law, unless the records are requested by or authorized for release by the visitor.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that they want to see the protection of personal information relating to customers. This bill is important to protect the privacy and safety of customers.

Testifying in person for the bill were Representative Sassmann; TJ Graven, Missouri Department of Natural Resources; Kyna Iman, Conservation Federation of Missouri; Missouri Park & Recreation Association; and David Kelly, Department of Natural Resources- Division of State Parks.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

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