

HB 1938 -- PRIVATE TRUST COMPANIES

SPONSOR: Owen

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Standing Committee on Financial Institutions by a vote of 9 to 0. Voted "Do Pass- Consent" by the Standing Committee on Consent and House Procedure by a vote of 7 to 0.

This bill exempts private trust companies described under Section 361.160, RSMo, from certain residency requirements governing board of directors of a corporation as indicated in the bill.

This bill is the same as HB 1229 (2023).

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that a private trust company that handles the business of one family's trust is the only known example of this type of private trust company in the state. Some members have moved out of state over a number of generations, but currently a majority must be residents to serve on the trust's board of directors. Changing the law would allow this Missouri-based family to keep its business in Missouri and to include on its board some family members who have moved to other states. The change could potentially attract new private family trusts to establish in Missouri.

Testifying in person for the bill were Representative Owen; and Kirklands Woods & Martinsen.

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.