



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
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WITNESS NAME: <b>ARNIE C. "HONEST-ABE" DIENOFF-STATE PUBLIC ADVOCATE</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
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**I am in Support of this Bill on its Merits. Missourians NEED to be Protected that we will have ample Electricity.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>BENJAMIN J TRAVLOS</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>573-893-1400</b>	
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Missouri Farm Bureau has member-adopted policy that states: "We are concerned about the rapid retirement of dispatchable energy resources such as coal and natural gas. We believe unrealistic reliability on intermittent energy sources will decrease grid reliability, ratepayer affordability and economic vitality."



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WITNESS NAME: <b>RANDY EMINGER</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>806-674-7079</b>	
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Associated Industries of Missouri supports the spirit of this bill. We believe the state should require replacement of generation capacity from the closure of plants with on-site fuel with other sources of generation from plants that are capable of providing electricity 24 hours/day, 7 days/week. When technological advances allow renewable generation to provide electricity on an uninterrupted basis, renewables could be used. But closing plants that are capable of full-time power generation without adequate replacement of full-time power generation places manufacturing operations, hospitals and all citizens at risk. When manufacturing plants lose electricity, consequences can extend beyond loss of production which is expensive, but could include damage to equipment, safety concerns, and risks to employees. MISO has alerted consumers over the last several summers that electricity shortages are expected because of the closure of power plants. This is unacceptable and we hope this bill will help solve that problem.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>RICHARD AXELBAUM</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
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WITNESS NAME: <b>WARREN WOOD</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>573-864-1213</b>	
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House Bill 1753 is designed for the electrical grid of the past. They could result in replacing old, obsolete coal-burning power plants with other coal or natural gas-generated power, contrary to the direction and economics of electricity supply. In reality, "reliable electric generation" has been redefined and is continuing to transform. Our regulated utilities are embracing the need for solar and wind generation that is cheaper than existing coal plants (which are rapidly fading away) and natural gas with its price volatility. The internet and the advent of "smart" meters have made it possible to ensure reliability with a constant balancing of supply, demand, and energy storage. Demand savings from energy efficiency and demand reduction can now be aggregated and dispatched by the regional transmission organizations with the same reliability as power generation. Energy storage smooths out the intermittency of wind and solar generation. Battery storage is rapidly coming down in price, and electric vehicle batteries will soon be part of the grid. Today's grid works by being resourceful, nimble and resilient. These bills could strand Missouri in the world of vanishing centralized power stations.