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BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:			
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WITNESS NAME: ARNIE C "HONEST-ABE" DIENOFF-STATE PUBLIC ADVOCATE		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I am Opposed to this Bill and its intension. I am not convinced that Water and Sewer Services as be combined or absorbed. Why are is this Bill NOT including cracking-down unlawful Business Dealings, Transactions and paying themselves Salaries of the East-Central Missouri Water & Sewer Authority, with ALL Assets Owned by Public Supply District Two (2) of Saint Charles County & Warren Counties with the Corruption, Stealing from the Public, taking advantage of Rate-Payers? There are seven (7) Board members of the East-Central Water & Sewer Authority. Five (5) of the Members are also Board Members on Public Water Supply District Tw0 (2) of Saint Charles & Warren Counties. In addition, the Water Board Members of the Public Supply District Appoint two (2) of their close Buddies, whom have a conflict-of-Interest and are getting Contracts from both Entities as they own and or operate competing companies, providing the services. East-Central Missouri Water & Sewer Authority are paying themselves \$1,800 Per Month for less than a 30-Minute Meeting. In addition, these members are paying themselves \$100 for an Open Meeting, \$100 for a Closed Meeting and \$100 for a 5-10 Minute On-Line Meeting per Month. In addition, this Board to providing catered expensive Meals, Desserts, Snacks and Drinks at the 30-Minute Meeting. After this Meeting, they go to another Location to hold another 30-Minute Meeting of Public Water Supply District Two (2) of Saint Charles & Warren Counties, in which they pay themselves \$100 for an Open-Meeting, \$100 for a Closed Meeting, \$100 for a 5-10 Minute On-Line Special Meeting. In addition, they have expense deserts, snacks and drinks. If a Member of the Public attends the Meeting, they become accusatory, ask them to leave the Public Meeting, Illegally Prohibit the videoing & Audio Recording or taking Still-Photos of the Board Meetings in clear Violation of Chapter 610 of the State Open Meeting Act and Sunshine Law. If a Member of the Public is present at these Meeting, they always call Police to have the person removed from the Meeting and Trespassed. Both Boards have permanently removed "Public Comments" from both Meeting Agendas and will not allow Members of the Public to Speak, to make Public Comments and make Public Testimony. If a Member of the Public opens their mouth, police are called and the person if removed and Trespassed from the Meeting. This is Unconstitutional, Wrong and Illegal to do. There are illegal Contracts and giving Contracts to Members of the Board with out Public Bids. To Run the Operations and Field Crews of both Entities, their is a contract that is costing Rate-Payers an additional 40% of expense, which is profit to "Woodard & Curran." In addition, Board Members are taking expense Trips across the Nation to every conference with Rate-Payers paying for the airline fee of their spouses. This NEEDS to be address as I have brought it your attention numerous times both through verbal Testimony before the House Utility Committee, the Senate Utility Committee and in Writing Testimony. When will this issue of Fraud, Theft and Corruption be addressed in this Legislation or other Legislation? Why is this being allowed to take place and continue to go on Year after year, while Board Members are getting wealthy off of the District and Rate-Payers are being taken advantage

off? When will some one investigate?