

HB 149 -- COUNTY RECREATIONAL LAKE AUTHORITY SALES TAXES

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Currently, certain adjoining counties may jointly impose a sales tax in each of their respective counties for certain public recreational purposes. The sales taxes will not become effective unless it is approved by a majority of the voters in each county.

This bill changes the authorization language so that the counties do not have to act jointly. Each county is individually authorized to impose, upon voter approval, its own tax for certain public recreational purposes.

The bill updates provisions regarding the Joint County Recreational Lake Authority and specifies that the terms of members will be staggered so that two members' terms expire on December 31st of each even-numbered year

If enacted, this bill will initially only apply to Bollinger and Cape Girardeau counties.

This bill is similar to HB 2348 (2024) and HB 696 (2023).