

HCS HB 411 -- THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

SPONSOR: Williams

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on Ways and Means by a vote of 7 to 3. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules-Legislative by a vote of 6 to 2 with 1 voting present.

The following is a summary of the House Committee Substitute for HB 411.

Currently, the Department of Revenue (DOR) provides a mapping feature on its website that displays sales and use tax information of all political subdivisions in Missouri.

Beginning July 1, 2026, DOR must prominently display links on the homepage of its website which direct the public to color-coded, interactive maps featuring data about sales and to color-coded, interactive maps featuring data about property taxes in all political subdivisions in the State that have taxing authority. The current levies of each property tax district will be imposed and collected on a separate map.

All political subdivisions will provide DOR with data relating to property taxes by January 1, 2026. The DOR must also use the most recent publication of the Missouri State Auditor's report on property tax rates in order to update and maintain the property tax levy data each year.

This bill is similar to SB 178 (2023).

The following is a summary of the public testimony from the committee hearing. The testimony was based on the introduced version of the bill.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill will give consumers a way to look at what property taxes might be if they are wanting to purchase a new home. Consumers will also be able to determine if their assessments are off by looking to see what the difference may be. Supporters also say this bill will help consumers with fiscal responsibility and fiscal literacy.

Testifying in person for the bill was Representative Williams.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

OTHERS: Others testifying on the bill say there is a lot of information on the website that consumers will have access to.

Others state that, based on the sales tax map, they found that when counties sent their taxing jurisdiction, the districts were being drawn on a napkin and being sent to DOR. Missouri is dealing with counties that don't have the technological advantages. Another statement provided to testify on the bill was that DOR cannot make a county turn in their information, so a lot is GIS data.

Testifying in person on the bill was Zachary Wyatt, Department Of Revenue.

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.