



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM**

BILL NUMBER: <b>HB 558</b>		DATE: <b>3/6/2025</b>	
COMMITTEE: <b>Pensions</b>			
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<b>WITNESS NAME</b>			
<b>INDIVIDUAL:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>KENNY JONES</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:		SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/6/2025 12:00 AM</b>
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<b>BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>MELISSA LORTS</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>573-634-3858</b>	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>MO SHERIFFS RETIREMENT</b>		TITLE: <b>EXEC DIRECTOR</b>	
ADDRESS: <b>PO BOX 105267</b>			
CITY: <b>JC</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>65102</b>
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<b>BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>SHERIFF CHRIS DEGASE</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>417-250-2320</b>	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF</b>		TITLE:	
ADDRESS: <b>PO BOX 907</b>			
CITY: <b>AVA</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>65608</b>
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WITNESS NAME: <b>SHERIFF STEVE PELTON</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>636-583-2560</b>	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>MISSOURI SHERIFFS UNITED</b>		TITLE:	
ADDRESS: <b>#1 BRUNS LANE</b>			
CITY: <b>UNION</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>63084</b>
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/6/2025 12:00 AM</b>	
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WITNESS NAME: <b>ARNIE C. "HONEST-ABE" DIENOFF-STATE PUBLIC ADVOCATE</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
ADDRESS:			
CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>arniedienoff@yahoo.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>		SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/6/2025 11:59 PM</b>

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**I am Opposed to this Bill. This wrong and each County must pay for own Sheriff's Pension.**



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<b>REGISTERED LOBBYIST:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>D. SCOTT PENMAN</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
REPRESENTING: <b>COUNTY EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT FUND</b>		TITLE:	
ADDRESS: <b>BOX 684</b>			
CITY: <b>JEFF CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>65201</b>
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<b>REGISTERED LOBBYIST:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>GINGER STEINMETZ</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>573-291-9518</b>	
REPRESENTING: <b>COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ASSN OF MO</b>		TITLE:	
ADDRESS: <b>101 E. HIGH STREET</b>			
CITY: <b>JEFFERSON CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>65101</b>
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:	SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/6/2025 12:00 AM</b>	
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<b>REGISTERED LOBBYIST:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>TRENT WATSON</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>314-606-0141</b>	
REPRESENTING: <b>MISSOURI ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES</b>		TITLE:	
ADDRESS: <b>PO BOX 2221</b>			
CITY: <b>JEFFERSON CITY</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>65102</b>
EMAIL: <b>Trent@trentwatson.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>In-Person</b>		SUBMIT DATE: <b>3/6/2025 8:03 AM</b>

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**MAC has yet to form a position to the proposed legislation. We do support finding a solution to the sheriff retirement issue.**