HB 1936 -- SHERIFFS ASSISTING IN OTHER COUNTIES

SPONSOR: Wilson

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness by a vote of 11 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Select Committee on State and Local Government by a vote of 10 to 0.

This bill establishes that any sheriff, or deputy sheriff sent by a sheriff, responding to a request for assistance in another county will be considered an employee of his or her sheriff's office and will be subject to benefits and provisions provided to him or her as an employee of his or her sheriff's office.

This bill is similar to SB 734 (2016).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this very simple bill allows a sheriff, on the request of another sheriff, to provide assistance and that responding sheriff will be deemed an employee of his or her sheriff's department.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Wilson; Paul Vescovo, Missouri Sheriff's Association; Mack Owen, Platte County Sheriff's Department; and Brad A. DeLay, Missouri Sheriff's Association.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.