

Missouri House of Representatives

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Missouri Legislature Passes Bill to Limit Landfill Development near Kansas City Border

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – The Missouri House of Representatives has successfully passed legislation that would block the construction efforts of a landfill in a residentially zoned area proposed by developers near the Kansas City border.

HB 1751 seeks to impose stricter regulations on waste disposal facility development, requiring approval from nearby municipalities within a one-mile radius, instead of the current half-mile. The measure passed out of the Missouri Senate on Wednesday, April 17th includes changes that would expand the proposed legislation to include solid waste processing facilities, demolition landfills, and sanitary landfills alongside the already proposed restrictions on solid waste disposal areas.

"The business owners that worked to build this landfill are decent, well-intentioned people who want to better their community and provide a service. I commend their actions to work with the community, the City of Raymore, and the legislature to come to an amicable agreement to draw this issue to a close," said Rep. Jonathan Patterson, R-Lee's Summit. "I am proud of the hard work of my House and Senate colleagues to assist in finding a resolution all parties can be happy with."

With the House's vote of approval on Tuesday, the bill now heads to the Governor's desk.

Representative Jon Patterson, a Republican, represents District 30, which includes parts of Lee's Summit. He was elected to his first two-year term in November of 2018. Rep. Patterson currently serves as Majority Floor Leader. For more information, please contact Rep. Patterson's office at 573-751-0907 or via email at Jonathan.Patterson@House.Mo.Gov.

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