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## **State Representative Jeff Vernetti Champions Community and Economic Development with House Bills 105 and 106**

**JEFFERSON CITY, Mo.** – A month into the new legislative session, State Representative Jeff Vernetti is proud to sponsor House Bills 105 and 106, two pieces of legislation designed to support community growth and economic development in Missouri.

HB 105 focuses on the conveyance of state property and, if passed, would authorize the transfer of Lee C. Fine Memorial Airport, currently owned by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), from Miller County to the City of Osage Beach in Camden County. The shift in ownership aims to enable the city to harness its full potential as an economic asset for the region.

“The airport is an underutilized resource that could play a much larger role in the regional economy,” stated Vernetti, R-Camdenton. “Placing it under local control, we can ensure its proper maintenance and unlock this resource for growth.”

Additionally, HB 106, originally introduced in the 2024 legislative session as HB 2720, aims to streamline government regulations and encourage sustainable resource use for land excavation. If passed, HB 106 seeks to amend current land excavation regulations to remove barriers for developers and property owners.

### **Key aspects of the proposed HB 106 would include:**

- Permit exemptions for excavating minerals or fill dirt for construction or land improvement projects that are not tied to commercial mining
- Onsite sales of excavated materials to create additional projects to proceed during appeals

- Clear dispute resolution process that would allow projects to proceed during appeals

“HB 106 cuts through red tape while ensuring responsible resource management,” Vernetti, R-Camdenton, emphasized the importance of this legislation, adding, “By allowing landowners and developers to use and sell excavated materials onsite, we would be helping to reduce costs and stimulate the local economy.”

Through HB 105 and HB 106, Representative Vernetti remains committed to his dedication to advocate for policies that support local businesses and promote economic growth. He urges his colleagues to support these bills to provide tools needed while keeping regulations practical for Missourians.

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