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Rep. Vernetti Sponsored HB 105 Reaches Governor Kehoe for Signing: Expanding Opportunities for Lake of the Ozarks

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – State Representative Jeff Vernetti has achieved a major legislative milestone today as Governor Mike Kehoe signed his sponsored legislation, HCS HB 105, into law.

HCS HB 105 authorizes the governor to convey specific state-owned properties to local entities for enhanced public benefit. The bill enables the transfer of the Lee C. Fine Airport to the City of Osage Beach, aligning governance of the property with local ordinances.

"This is significant for the City of Osage Beach and the entire Lake of the Ozarks community," Rep. Vernetti, R-Camdenton, said. "The Lee C. Fine Airport is the most viable site for a commercial airport at the Lake of the Ozarks and has the potential to be a significant economic driver for the region. I'm thrilled that this piece of legislation will now be law, unlocking long-term potential for our community."

The legislation also included land conveyance in Jackson County to the State Highways and Transportation Commission and in Webster County to the State Highways and Transportation Commission. The Office of Administration will oversee the terms and conditions of each transfer, with final legal approval by the Attorney General.

HB 105 was one of three legislative successes championed by Rep. Vernetti this session, making the trip to Governor Kehoe's desk. He noted, "I am honored to have received unanimous support

from my colleagues in both the House and Senate, and I'm grateful to Governor Kehoe for signing this bill into law."

Rep. Jeff Vernetti, a Republican, represents Camden County, (District 123) in the Missouri House of Representatives. Rep. Vernetti was elected in November 2024. For more information, please contact Rep. Vernetti at 573-751-1119 or by email at Jeff. Vernetti@house.mo.gov.

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