HB 127 -- FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARDS

SPONSOR: Bivins

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Committee on Local Government by a vote of 14 to 0.

This bill limits the attendance fees that fire protection district board members can receive for attending board meetings to one per calendar week.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2006, FY 2007, and FY 2008.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill is aimed at stopping the purported practice of holding multiple consecutive meetings.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Bivins; Lewis Rice, LLC; Monarch Fire Protection District; West County EMS and Fire; Metro West Fire Protection District; Creve Coeur Fire Protection District; and St. Louis County Municipal League.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

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