HB 660 -- Solid Waste

Sponsor: Schlottach

Currently, each operator of a solid waste sanitary landfill or a transfer station in Missouri collects a charge of \$1.50 per ton, and each operator of the solid waste demolition landfill collects \$1 per ton for deposit into the Solid Waste Management Fund. These charges are adjusted annually by the same percentage as the increase in the Consumer Price Index. This bill requires that no annual adjustment be made to the charges imposed during October 1, 2005, to October 1, 2009, except those needed to fund the operating costs of the Department of Natural Resources. During this time, no annual increase will exceed the percentage increase measured by the Consumer Price Index.

The bill increases the percentage dedicated to the elimination of illegal solid waste disposal from 42% to 43% and decreases the percentage that will be allocated through grants to participating cities, counties, and districts from 58% to 57%. Of the 57%, one-half must be allocated based on the population of each district, and one-half will be allocated based on the amount of revenue generated within each district. The minimum a district may receive is increased from \$45,000 to \$95,000.