

SS SCS SJR 34 & 30 -- RETROACTIVE APPLICATION OF CERTAIN SEXUAL
OFFENDER LAWS

SPONSOR: Crowell (Bruns)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass" by the Committee on Crime
Prevention and Public Safety by a vote of 8 to 0.

Upon voter approval, this constitutional amendment allows certain
laws regarding sexual offenders to be applied retroactively.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2009, FY 2010, and
FY 2011.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill addresses a Missouri
Supreme Court ruling that states the sexual offender registry
requirements and the prohibition against sexual offenders
residing within 1,000 feet of a school or child-care facility
cannot be applied to affect offenders convicted prior to the
effective date of these laws. The goal is to have all sexual
offenders registered and residing further than 1,000 feet from
schools and child-care facilities.

Testifying for the bill were Senator Crowell; and State Highway
Patrol.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.