HB 1345 -- PUBLICATION OF THE OFFICIAL STATE MANUAL

SPONSOR: Cauthorn

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Committee on Transportation Funding and Public Institutions by a vote of 8 to 0.

This bill authorizes the Secretary of State to enter into an agreement with a nonprofit organization to print and distribute copies of the Official State Manual. The nonprofit organization must charge a fee for a copy of the manual to cover the cost of production and distribution.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2013, FY 2014, and FY 2015.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the blue book is important for historical purposes and the bill allows it to be printed at no cost to the state.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Cauthorn; and Missouri Press Association.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.