

SS SB 357 -- MECHANICS' LIENS

SPONSOR: Romine (Schatz)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Committee on General Laws by a vote of 15 to 0.

Currently, liens involving the rental of machinery or equipment to others who use the machinery or equipment are for the reasonable rental value while the machinery or equipment is on the property. This substitute repeals the requirement that the machinery or equipment be rented to others who actually use the machinery or equipment.

Currently, the party claiming a lien involving the rental of machinery or equipment must provide written notice to the property owner that rental machinery or equipment is being used on his or her property within five business days of the start of use. The substitute requires notice to be given within 15 business days and removes the requirement that the rental rate be included in the notice.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the changes in the bill are needed to give rental-related businesses operating in the state more time to execute the required written notices.

Testifying for the bill were Senator Romine; and US Travel Insurance Association.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

OTHERS: Others testifying on the bill say it contains better language than the other bill currently filed this session.

Testifying on the bill was Missouri Land Title Association.