HCS HB 1743 -- PROPERTY

SPONSOR: Funderburk

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Committee on Judiciary by a vote of 8 to 2.

This bill specifies that "recreational use" includes aviation activities for personal or private use and not for a commercial event or gathering.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill adds private activities to the enumerated activities that you are protecting for private land owners.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Funderburk and Jim Dickerson, Missouri Recreational and Aviation Foundation.

OPPONENTS: Those who oppose the bill say that if you exempt recreational activities for one group, other groups will want to join in on the exemption. Soon, common law on negligence is eroded one group at a time.

Testifying against the bill were Woody Cozad, Missouri Republican Attorneys for Civil Justice.