

HB 1316 -- VACANCIES IN COUNTY ASSESSOR OFFICE

SPONSOR: Brown (57)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Committee on Elections by a vote of 9 to 3.

Currently, a county assessor's term begins on a day other than the first Monday in January. This bill removes this provision and requires an elected assessor to begin his or her term on the first Monday in January. Any gubernatorial appointment to an office will hold the office until the first Monday in January. This bill only applies to public offices authorized under Chapter 105.030, RSMo.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill clarifies the starting date for the county assessor and requires his or her term to begin on the same date that all other officials typically use and will save litigation costs.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Brown (57).

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.