

HCS HB 2216 -- WATER RESOURCES

SPONSOR: Brattin

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on Conservation and Natural Resources by a vote of 7 to 1. Voted "Do Pass" by the Rules- Administrative Oversight Committee by a vote of 12 to 1.

Currently, Missouri landowners have the right to have, use, and own private water systems and ground source systems any time and anywhere unless prohibited by city ordinances. This bill specifies that this includes systems for potable water and rainwater collection and removes the ability for cities to prohibit the use through a city ordinance.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that currently, some counties prohibit wells on certain residential property, and this bill would allow all residents to provide water to their home as long as the well complies with state law.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Brattin.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.