

HB 1048 -- COMMUNITY COLLEGE FACILITIES MAINTENANCE FUNDS

SPONSOR: Parker

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Committee on Education by a vote of 20 to 0.

This bill clarifies that the annual appropriation for maintenance and repair of facilities for community colleges is exclusive of any capital appropriation, and the current cap on these appropriations of 10% is also exclusive of the capital appropriation.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2005, FY 2006, and FY 2007.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that interpretation of the statute has varied somewhat since it was enacted. Therefore, clarification that support for maintenance and repairs is separate from the capital appropriation is desirable. Community colleges must match maintenance and repair funds.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Parker; Lynn Suydam, St. Louis Community College - Meramec; Missouri Community College Association; and Missouri National Education Association.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

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