

HB 316 -- DIVISION OF TOURISM SUPPLEMENTAL REVENUE FUND

SPONSOR: Phillips

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Committee on Tourism and Natural Resources by a vote of 24 to 0.

This bill extends the expiration date on the Division of Tourism Supplemental Revenue Fund from June 30, 2015, to June 30, 2020.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill will renew the current formula used to fund the state's tourism efforts in Missouri. Tourism is the second largest industry in the state and the Division of Tourism works hard to promote the industry.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Phillips; Missouri Citizens for the Arts; Missouri Humanities Council; Missouri Canoe and Floaters Association; and Diane Gillespie, Missouri Travel Council and Jefferson City Convention and Visitors Bureau.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.