

HB 498 -- PAID-IN SURPLUS DISTRIBUTIONS

SPONSOR: Jones (50)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Committee on Financial Institutions by a vote of 18 to 0.

Currently, the distribution of paid-in surplus to corporate shareholders is required to be identified as a liquidating dividend and the amount per share is required to be disclosed to the receiving shareholders when it is paid. This bill repeals this requirement.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill is a pro-growth bill for Missouri, modernizes our statutes regarding corporations issuing dividends, and brings us up-to-date with all other states.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Jones (50); and Husch Blackwell LLP.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.