

SB 812 -- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE IN ISRAEL

Subject to appropriation, this bill requires the Department of Economic Development to establish an office in Israel for promoting strategic partnerships between Israel-based and Missouri-based companies. The partnerships must have the express purpose of strengthening and increasing the competitive edge of Missouri companies in the fields of agriculture, bio-technology, and other emerging fields. The staff of the department's office in Israel must work in conjunction with relevant business and trade organizations throughout Missouri to promote these purposes as well as bi-lateral trade in the region.