

HB 2721 -- I-70 TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT

SPONSOR: Korman

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Transportation by a vote of 8 to 2.

This bill establishes the "I-70 Regional Transportation District" encompassing Montgomery, Cooper, Saline, Warren, Lafayette, Callaway, Boone, St. Charles, and Jackson counties. The district shall be governed by a board comprising three members of each county in the district. Qualified voters within the district may then approve a tax or fee to provide matching funds for projects concerning Interstate 70's infrastructure. However, no toll road or charge for access to Interstate 70 shall ever be imposed.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the bill would create a quasi-transportation development district for the I-70 corridor. This would be an imaginative way to provide transportation revenue.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Korman.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.