

HCS HB 834 -- FREIGHT CORRIDOR FUND

SPONSOR: Korman

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on Transportation by a vote of 7 to 2.

This bill establishes the "Freight Corridor Fund" consisting of moneys appropriated from the state road fund equal to the revenue generated by \$.02 of the motor fuel tax on diesel fuel. The fund shall be used to expand the traffic capacity of the primary freight network roads, as designated by the Secretary of Transportation.

This bill is similar to HB 2824 (2016).

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the bill will designate a small portion of the fuel tax for use in expanding traffic capacity. The bill is intended to provide guidance on the use of funds, but does not modify any constitutional requirement regarding the state road fund.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Korman.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

OTHERS: Others testifying on the bill say it is unclear whether or not the bill modifies the constitutional requirement for the use of state road funds. The bill may not be binding for the Department of Transportation.

Testifying on the bill was Missouri Department Of Transportation.