

HCS HB 2415 -- LAND BANKS

SPONSOR: Johnson

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on Government Efficiency by a vote of 9 to 0.

This bill exempts certain counties of the first classification from the prohibition against establishing a land bank agency for the management, sale, transfer, and other disposition of interests in real estate owned by the land bank agency. The bill clarifies Buchanan County is one of the exempted counties of the first classification.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this process has worked incredibly well for Kansas City and the City of St. Joseph would like the opportunity to do this, too.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Johnson; Brian Myers; St Joseph Legislative Partnership; and Steve Hofferben.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.