

HB 513 -- FOX TROTTER WEEK

SPONSOR: Smith (155)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Special Committee on Tourism by a vote of 8 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Legislative Oversight by a vote of 9 to 0.

This bill designates the first full week in September of each year as "Fox Trotter Week" and encourages citizens to recognize our state horse breed which originated in the Ozarks and is known to cowboys and ranchers for its comfort and reliability.

This bill is similar to HB 2082 (2020).

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the Association has a packed week full of recognition and activities every year, including an event in Ava that is attended by people from around the globe. This official designation would help them further promote the breed and the events.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Smith.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.