2023 Legislative Session

Jackson County Lobbyist Report March 14, 2023



Topics

Prisoner Per-Diem - Regional Jail

Property Tax Legislation

Landfill

JC Sports Authority Appropriation

Major Issues

Prisoner Per-Diem Regional Jail

- The current prisoner per diem is at \$22.58 per day.
- Jackson County spends well over \$100.00 per day.
- The County does not receive money for time served.
- Effort to increase per diem.
- ARPA money for jails last year.
- Opportunity for state funding regional jail.

Tax Legislation

Senate Bill 8

- Exempt vehicles and farm machinery ten years or older from property tax.
- Cuts the personal property tax assessment rate from 33.3 to 31percent. Counties then tax 1/3 of the value.
- Loss to local governments over \$600 million by 2030

Senate Bill 105

- Lowers assessments on residential property from 19 to 15 percent over 6 years.
- Loss to local governments when fully implemented \$800 million.
- Food Sales Tax elimination proposal fiscal note estimates the proposal could cost the state more than \$373 million beginning in fiscal year 2025.

Landfill

The proposed landfill issue has become a major topic in Jefferson City. HB 909 is likely to pass the House the week after Spring Break.

We have been asked to work in favor of the <u>legislation</u> and <u>against</u> the project.

Jackson County Sports Authority

Jackson County Sports Authority is seeking \$1.5 million dollars for a wastewater project. We have been asked to work on this issue and would work in coordination with the Sports Authority on the distribution of the funds.

Major Issues

- Sports Betting
- Transgender issues
- School Transfer
- Initiative Petitions
- I-70
- Senate Dysfunction