



# Jackson County Missouri

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## Legislation Text

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### IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

**A RESOLUTION** authorizing the County Executive to execute a Letter of Understanding with the Lafayette County Commission and the Missouri Department of Transportation related to the transfer of Off-System Replacement Bridge funds, in accordance with the Missouri Highway Bridge Program.

**RESOLUTION NO. 19114**, March 28, 2016

**INTRODUCED BY** Greg Grounds, County Legislator

WHEREAS, the Missouri Department of Transportation's Highway Bridge Program authorizes bridge replacement and rehabilitation for certain eligible bridges throughout Missouri's counties; and,

WHEREAS, federal funds are available to finance up to 80% of an eligible project's cost, but may be increased with the use of credits earned from replacing, with the County's own funds, an eligible bridge that is not on the federal-aid system list; and,

WHEREAS, if a Local Public Agency (LPA) replaces or rehabilitates an eligible bridge with its own funds, the LPA may receive a credit, known as a "Soft Match Credit," that can be applied to the non-federal share on another federal aid bridge project; and,

WHEREAS, more sparsely populated counties receive less transportation funding to apply toward their bridge replacement and rehabilitation programs; and,

WHEREAS, Jackson County currently has an Off-System Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program (BRO) fund balance in the amount of \$5,192,056.65 and only \$0.18 in Soft Match Credit; and,

WHEREAS, Lafayette County, Missouri, has a negative balance of BRO funds and a Soft Match Credit in the amount of \$284,080.60; and,

WHEREAS, an exchange with Lafayette County will allow Jackson County to use this Soft Match Credit balance toward its 20% cash match for future bridge projects under the BRO program, thereby reducing the required County cash expenditure; and,

WHEREAS, Lafayette County and the Jackson County Director of Public Works recommend a BRO fund and Soft Match Credit exchange, which would allow Jackson County to have actual funds applied to its Soft Match Credit account for use on future BRO programs, in exchange for the transfer of off-system bridge funds to Lafayette County; and,

WHEREAS, the attached Letter of Understanding is the appropriate mechanism for authorizing this transfer of state BRO funds within the Highway Bridge Program; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the County Executive be and hereby is authorized to execute the attached Letter of Understanding with the Missouri Department of Transportation and the Lafayette County Commission; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all County officials be and hereby are authorized to execute any and all documents and take any other actions necessary to give effect to this Resolution.

..Enacted and Approved

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Chief Deputy County Counselor

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County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution No. 19114 of March 28, 2016, was duly passed on April 4, 2016 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas \_\_\_\_\_8\_\_\_\_\_

Nays \_\_\_\_\_0\_\_\_\_\_

Abstaining \_\_\_\_\_0\_\_\_\_\_

Absent \_\_\_\_\_0\_\_\_\_\_

Excused \_\_\_\_\_1\_\_\_\_\_

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Date

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Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature