HB 167 -- MILITARY SITE DESIGNATIONS

SPONSOR: Hardwick

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Veterans by a vote of 13 to 0.

This bill designates the National Guard armory located in or nearest to Joplin as the "Sergeant Robert Wayne Crow Jr. Memorial Armory".

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that Sergeant Robert Wayne Crow Jr. died in Afghanistan as a result of an IED (improvised explosive device) attack. Sergeant Robert Wayne Crow Jr. was well respected by his soldiers and was a leader. Additionally, supporters say that Sergeant Robert Wayne Crow Jr. deployed from Joplin and naming the nearest armory would be appropriate.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Hardwick; and Paul Kirchhoff.

OPPONENTS: Those who oppose the bill say submitted online written testimony.

Testifying against the bill was Arnie Dienoff.

Written testimony has been submitted for this bill. The full written testimony can be found under Testimony on the bill page on the House website.