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## Dixon's "Hunter-Voter" Bill Receives First-Round Approval

**Jefferson City, MO** — On Monday, April 7, the House of Representatives initially approved House Bill 2321 by voice vote. Sponsored by Representative Bob Dixon (R-Springfield), HB 2321 makes it easier for those who hunt and fish in Missouri to register to vote. The legislation improves on a bill filed last year by Rep. Dixon, which passed the House by a 118-to-39 vote. Both bills are modeled after "motor-voter" provisions, which allow people to register to vote when they apply for driver's licenses.

"Our government works best when citizens are involved, so we should take every opportunity to increase voter registration," said Rep. Dixon. "We must explore avenues available to publicize the importance of voting. HB 2321 accomplishes this by making it more convenient for many Missouri sportsmen to register to vote."

The bill requires final approval by the House before it passes to the Senate. If approved by the Senate, the Department of Conservation will be required to distribute voter registration forms to its local offices and resident hunting and fishing permit vendors. In turn, those office and vendors would make those forms available to permit applicants. The applicant would be responsible for mailing the completed form to the appropriate election authority. Final approval is expected later this week.

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