

HB 560 -- ACCESSIBLE PARKING SIGNS

SPONSOR: Grisamore

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Special Standing Committee on Disability Services by a vote of 9 to 0.

This bill requires all new signs erected beginning August 28, 2011, relating to disabled parking to contain the words "Accessible Parking" and to not contain "Handicap Parking" or "Handicapped Parking."

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2012, FY 2013, and FY 2014.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the bill supports efforts to transform our culture to be more tolerant and respectful to individuals with disabilities.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Grisamore; Michelle Krajewski, Missouri Centers for Independent Living; The Whole Person, Incorporated; Susan Pritchard-Green, Missouri Planning Council for Developmental Disabilities; National Multiple Sclerosis Society; and Wayne Lee.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.