

HB 561 -- MO HEALTHNET OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

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 increases the membership of the MO HealthNet Oversight Committee from 18 to 19 by adding one licensed mental health professional, appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate, who cares for persons receiving MO HealthNet benefits.

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

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that mental health is a critical part of health care services, and it will be beneficial to have a mental health professional on the committee.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Grisamore.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.