

HB 193 -- INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR EMS PERSONNEL LICENSURE

SPONSOR: Swan

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness by a vote of 10 to 0.

This bill authorizes Missouri to become a member state of the Interstate Compact for EMS Personnel Licensure as prepared by the National Association of State EMS Officials and to adopt the provisions of authorization as specified in the bill. The purpose of the compact is to facilitate the exchange of information between members states regarding EMS personnel licensure, adverse actions, and significant investigatory information.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the bill creates an enforceable, sustainable, and administrative tool to ensure permanent change without federal intervention. Member states would have the authority to hold licensees accountable.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Swan and John J. Russell, MD.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

OTHERS: Others testifying on the bill say Missouri is one of four states considering the interstate compact for EMS personnel.

Testifying on the bill was Mid America Regional Council.