

HCS HB 642 -- TRANSFER STUDENT TEST SCORES

SPONSOR: Montecillo

COMMITTEE ACTIONS: Voted "Do Pass with Amendments" by the Standing Committee on Elementary and Secondary Education by a vote of 10 to 3. Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Select Committee on Education by a vote of 9 to 0.

This bill requires the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to compile and maintain student performance data scores of all transfer students and make the data available on the Missouri comprehensive data system. Personally identifiable data must not be accessible on the database.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the bill will help identify how transfer students are performing academically.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Montecillo and Missouri National Education Association.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

OTHERS: Others testifying on the bill say that the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education complies with federal and state privacy guidelines to protect personal student data.

Testifying for informational purposes was the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.