

HB 1620 with HCA 1 -- FAMILY ACCESS MOTIONS

SPONSOR: Kelley

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with Amendments by Consent" by the Standing Committee on Civil and Criminal Proceedings by a vote of 9 to 0. Voted "Do Pass with Amendments by Consent" by the Select Committee on Rules by a vote of 8 to 0.

This bill allows a guardian for an incapacitated person to file a family access motion on behalf of said incapacitated person.

HCA #1: This amendment specifies that a guardian can file any motion permissible under Chapter 452, RSMo and that the motion must be filed on behalf of the incapacitated person.

This bill is similar to HCS HB 289 (2015).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill would allow court appointed legal guardians to file certain specified motions. Once there is a guardian, that person is the sole person that can file certain motions, but some judges will not allow them to file motions because the statutes do not specifically allow it.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Kelley.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.