

HB 1685 -- CIRCUIT COURT MARSHAL

SPONSOR: Fitzwater (49)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Civil and Criminal Proceedings by a vote of 8 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Select Committee on Judiciary by a vote of 10 to 0.

This bill allows the presiding judge of a circuit with a diagnostic and reception center and a mental health facility which houses individuals found not guilty by reason of mental disease or defect, and provides sex offender rehabilitation and treatment services, to appoint a court marshal.

This bill is similar to HB 1182 (2015).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this creates enabling language for the court marshal that was authorized last year. This allows a level of security in Callaway County that is necessary due to the type of inmates that are moving through.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Fitzwater and Boone County.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.