

HB 2428 -- SCHOOL COUNSELORS

SPONSOR: Swan

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Standing Committee on Elementary and Secondary Education by a vote of 9 to 0.

Changes the term "guidance counselor" to "school counselor" in laws relating to elementary and secondary education.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say this bill will make changes in statute to reflect a more accurate view of the profession in its current form. The term "guidance counselor" no longer captures the many tasks and functions of the position.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Swan and Lisa Phillips, Missouri School Counselor Association.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.