

HB 2783 -- DIABETES AWARENESS MONTH

SPONSOR: Pike

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Trade and Tourism by a vote of 10 to 0.

This bill designates the month of November as "Diabetes Awareness Month" and encourages Missourians to participate in appropriate activities and events to increase awareness of diabetes.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the prevalence of diabetes in Missouri is above the national average and 35% of the adult population is diabetic. This bill would bring awareness to the disease and some lifestyle changes that may help stop or delay onset of diabetes.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Pike; John Miller; and the Missouri Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.