

HB 1252 -- LOW-DOSE MAMMOGRAPHY SCREENINGS

SPONSOR: Plocher

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Insurance Policy by a vote of 10 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Rules- Legislative Oversight Committee by a vote of 11 to 0.

This bill adds digital mammography and breast tomosynthesis to the definition of low-dose mammography screening and beginning January 1, 2019 requires reimbursement rates to accurately reflect the resource costs specific to each modality, including any increased resource cost of breast tomosynthesis.

This bill is the same as HB 1088 (2017).

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that this bill adds digital mammography and breast tomosynthesis to the definition of low-dose mammography screening and requires reimbursement rates to accurately reflect the resource costs. These mammograms are 3-D and are much more accurate and have less false readings. These will save money because of not having to re-do a mammogram.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Plocher; Center for Diagnostic Imaging; Missouri State Medical Association; and SSM Health.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.