

HB 2196 -- CELIAC AWARENESS DAY

SPONSOR: Tate

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Special Committee on Tourism by a vote of 10 to 0. Voted "Do Pass-Consent" by the Consent and House Procedure Committee by a vote of 11 to 0.

This bill designates the second Wednesday in May as "Celiac Awareness Day" and encourages citizens to participate in appropriate activities to increase awareness of Celiac disease.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that 1 in 133 people in the United States have Celiac disease, and many more go undiagnosed. This bill would bring awareness to the disease, which may help many undiagnosed sufferers gain knowledge and treatment.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Tate; Vicki Tate; and Grace Tate.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.