HB 2158 -- Missouri Books From Birth Program

Sponsor: Grill

This bill establishes in the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education the Missouri Books From Birth Program to encourage preschool children to read. The department will form a partnership with a nonprofit corporation to develop a comprehensive statewide program with the goal of providing one book per month free of charge to children between birth and five years of age. The Missouri Books From Birth Fund is created from which appropriated moneys will be used solely for the administration of the program.