

HCS HB 485 -- SEISMIC SAFETY COMMISSION

SPONSOR: Bruns (Wright)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Committee on Public Safety by a vote of 12 to 0.

This substitute removes the requirement that one member, but specifies that no more than two, of the Seismic Safety Commission within the Department of Public Safety be appointed from each of the specified professional areas and adds public education to the list of professional areas from which members may be appointed. The substitute also specifies that a quorum will consist of a majority of the appointed members, but not less than seven, and may be met by electronic attendance and the nonvoting participation of the staff of the legislative members of the commission. Currently, a quorum consists of nine members.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2010, FY 2011, and FY 2012.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill will make it more convenient for members of the Seismic Safety Commission to attend meetings and have a quorum to conduct business.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Wright.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.