HB 1852 -- PRESCRIPTION EYE DROP REFILLS

SPONSOR: Rowland (155)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Standing Committee on Health Insurance by a vote of 11 to 0. Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Select Committee on Rules by a vote of 8 to 0.

Extends the termination date on provisions relating to the refilling of prescription eye drops to January 1, 2020.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill will extend the termination date of this provision to allow people to get their eye drops refilled before the 30-day period. Many patients who use prescription eye drops for chronic conditions are over the age of 65 and often have other medical conditions that cause difficulty and waste when administering the eye drops.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Rowland; Missouri Optometric Association; and Missouri Society Of Eye Physicians And Surgeons.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.