HB 107 -- DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED

SPONSOR: Kelley (127)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Crime Prevention and Public Safety by a vote of 6 to 2.

This bill establishes Toby's Law, which specifies that a person who has pled guilty to or been found guilty of driving while intoxicated must complete a victim impact program approved by the court and is responsible for any charges imposed by the program.

This bill is similar to HB 1436 (2016).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the goal is to reduce the number of drunk drivers and drunk driving accidents. Many people have said that if it weren't for victim impact programs, they would likely still be out there drinking and driving. Many judges already require this, but not all of them do.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Kelley and the Missouri State Medical Association.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.