

HB 171 -- SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY

SPONSOR: Kelley (127)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Judiciary by a vote of 10 to 0.

This bill requires the court having jurisdiction over the case to inform a sex offender of his or her possible obligation to register as a sex offender both prior to release or discharge and at the time of adjudication.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that it is important for offenders to be informed at the time of adjudication, as well as prior to release or discharge, of their duty to register so they can be well informed of such duties. Oftentimes, offenders claim they did not know because they were never told prior to release or discharge.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Kelley.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

This bill is the same as HB 1622 (2016).