

HCS HB 330 -- ASSISTANT PHYSICIANS

SPONSOR: Morris

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on Health and Mental Health Policy by a vote of 10 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Administrative Oversight by a vote of 14 to 0.

This bill requires any medical school graduate who has met the requirements to be an assistant physician between August 28, 2014 and August 28, 2017 and who applies for licensure as of the effective date of the bill to be deemed in compliance with the provisions of the bill.

This bill has an emergency clause.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill is needed because the state Board of Registration for the Healing Arts took three years to get the rules promulgated and several people fell through the cracks because of the time limits in the bill. This will pick those people back up so that they qualify.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Morris; Patricia Durgess, M.D.; and Missouri State Medical Association.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.