

HB 358 -- STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS

SPONSOR: Bahr

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Elementary and Secondary Education by a vote of 13 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Committee on Rules - Administrative Oversight by a vote of 14 to 0.

This bill requires each State Board of Education (SBE) meeting to be recorded by video, posted on the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education website, archived, provided for free, and easily accessible.

The bill also requires each member of the SBE to have an individual email address that is available to the public.

This bill is similar to HB 2031 (2016).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say the idea of making sure we promote greater access to the proceedings of the SBE will promote greater knowledge of the education system. This bill promotes transparency.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Bahr and Missouri National Education Association.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.