

HB 880 -- DISABLED VETERAN CONTRACT PREFERENCE

SPONSOR: Davis

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Veterans by a vote of 11 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Legislative Oversight by a vote of 11 to 0.

Currently, the Office of Administration must have a goal of 3% of all state contracts being awarded to a service-disabled veteran business in Missouri. This bill increases the goal to 5% of contracts.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill would provide more opportunities to veteran-owned small businesses in Missouri. This is just one small way the state can show appreciation to service-disabled veterans.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Davis; Dewey Riehn, Mavo; and Anthony Bamvakais, Office of The Adjutant General.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.