HB 1152 -- RX CARES FOR MISSOURI PROGRAM

SPONSOR: Morris

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Health and Mental Health Policy by a vote of 10 to 0.

This bill creates the "Rx Cares for Missouri Program" to be administered by the Board of Pharmacy, within the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration, in consultation with the Department of Health and Senior Services, to promote medication safety and prevent prescription drug abuse. Funds shall not be used for any state prescription drug monitoring program.

This bill is the same as SB 139 (2017).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the Rx Care for Missouri Program is a tool to fight opioid addiction and will promote medication safety to prevent drug abuse and misuse.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Morris.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.