

HB 1677 -- ACT WORKKEYS

SPONSOR: Lauer

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Workforce Development by a vote of 9 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Rules- Administrative Oversight Committee by a vote of 13 to 0.

This bill provides students the opportunity to chose between the ACT WorkKeys assessment or ACT (including ACT Plus Writing) assessment in any school year in which the Department of Elementary and Secondary Eduction directs a state-funded census administration of the ACT assessment, or in which a school district directs the administration of the ACT assessment.

This bill is similar to HB 94 (2017).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill will allow students to take either the ACT or ACT WorkKeys assessment test. The ACT WorkKeys indicates that a student is career ready and provides an option for students that may seek vocational training rather than college.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Lauer; Missouri NEA; Missouri Association of Career and Technical Education; School Administrators Coalition; and STA.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.