SB 582 -- STUDENT DATA

SPONSOR: Walsh (Wood)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Elementary and Secondary Education by a vote of 9 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Administrative Oversight by a vote of 14 to 0.

This bill requires schools to send written notification to a student's parent or legal guardian if the student's personal information was exposed in a data breach. Schools must also notify the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and the State Auditor of any data breaches.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that it's important to notify families of data breaches so they can take prudent, proactive precautionary measures. Currently, most Missouri schools do not notify families.

Testifying for the bill were Senator Walsh; Missouri School Boards Association; American Civil Liberties Union; State Auditor's Office; and the Missouri National Educational Association.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.