

SS SCS SB 586 -- JOINT COMMITTEE ON DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AND AWARENESS

SPONSOR: Holsman

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Special Committee on Homeland Security by a vote of 8 to 1. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Legislative Oversight by a vote of 9 to 0.

This bill creates a Joint Committee on Disaster Preparedness and Awareness consisting of 13 members, as specified in the bill. The purpose of the committee shall be to make a continuous study and investigation into disaster preparedness and awareness into various areas.

The committee shall compile a full report of its activities for submission to the General Assembly. The report shall be submitted no later than January 1, of even-numbered years, and may include any recommendations which the committee may have for legislative action.

This provision will expire on December 31, 2022.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the state has great people in these various agencies doing the best they can with what they have. The legislature is not always aware of what they need. This bill addresses that issue.

Testifying for the bill was Senator Holsman.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

OTHERS: Others testifying on the bill say they are available to answer any questions the committee may have.

Testifying on the bill was Mike Watson, Missouri State Highway Patrol.