SB 981 -- WORKERS' COMPENSATION

SPONSOR: Wieland (Engler)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Insurance Policy by a vote of 12 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Legislative Oversight by a vote of 13 to 0.

This bill requires the Division of Workers' Compensation to publish on its website the notice prepared, as required by law, concerning specific information about the workers' compensation system. A carrier may provide the notice to an insured in electronic format by directing the insured to the notice available on the division's website.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill will save costs and make the information more accessible by allowing the notice to be provided by electronic or online means.

Testifying for the bill were Senator Wieland; Mark Stockwell, Missouri United School Insurance Council (MUSIC); and the Missouri Insurance Coalition.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.