

HB 108 -- MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

SPONSOR: Sommer

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Special Committee on Tourism by a vote of 8 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Administrative Oversight by a vote of 7 to 0.

This bill designates the month of May as "Mental Health Awareness Month" and encourages citizens to participate in appropriate awareness and educational activities that emphasize the importance of good mental health and the effects of mental illness on Missourians.

This bill is the same as HB 2381 (2018).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that there is not enough attention paid to the importance of mental health and the number of people that struggle with maintaining their mental health.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Sommer and the National Association Of Social Workers, Missouri Chapter.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.