HB 219 -- TICKET TO WORK HEALTH ASSURANCE

SPONSOR: Wood

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Ways and Means by a vote of 6 to 0.

This bill extends the sunset provision of the Ticket to Work Health Assurance Program from August 28, 2019 to August 28, 2025.

The Ticket to Work Program is a program that provides health coverage or assistance paying for health insurance premiums for an employed person who meets the definition of disabled.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that by extending the sunset on this program, the law would continue to assist individuals with disabilities receiving healthcare services, and would allow them to continue living more independent lives.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Wood; Missouri Association of County Developmental Disability Services; and Caleb Neeley, Missouri Department of Social Services.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.