

HCS HB 369 -- DONATED FIRE EQUIPMENT

SPONSOR: Kolkmeier

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on Crime Prevention and Public Safety by a vote of 9 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules - Legislative Oversight by a vote of 9 to 0.

This bill adds any company or organization to the list of entities against which there can be no cause of action if one of two conditions is met for donation of fire equipment or clothing and it adds fire training academy to the list of receiving entities. The current conditions for fire protection donation are repealed and the bill specifies that the two conditions that may be met are either:

- (1) The recipient certifies to the donor at the time of donation that the equipment received works properly; or
- (2) The donor informs the recipient in writing of any defects in the equipment or clothing about which the donor knew or, by using ordinary care, could have known at the time of donation.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that communities that do not have access to equipment would benefit from this.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Kolkmeier; Prairie Township Fire Protection District; Fire Service Alliance; and Tim Bean, Missouri Division of Fire Safety.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.