

HB 816 -- EMBALMING APPRENTICESHIPS

SPONSOR: Black (137)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Professional Registration and Licensing by a vote of 11 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Administrative Oversight by a vote of 8 to 0.

This bill allows an embalming apprentice to continue to be employed by the funeral establishment where the apprenticeship took place, for up to six months after the apprentice has completed the apprenticeship program but has not yet completed the examination required for licensure.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill will prevent hardships on workers who would otherwise have to find another source of income while they are taking their examination.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Black; and the Missouri Funeral Directors And Embalmers Association.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.