

HB 1042 -- JUVENILE COURT JURISDICTION

SPONSOR: Evans

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Judiciary by a vote of 17 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Administrative Oversight by a vote of 9 to 0.

This bill specifies that the Juvenile Court has exclusive original jurisdiction over proceedings involving a child who is alleged to be in need of care and treatment because the child has, or allegedly, engaged in prostitution.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the policy in the state of Missouri should be that a minor who is the victim of prostitution should be treated as a juvenile and as a victim.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Evans.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.