HCS HB 1099 -- CONCESSION AGREEMENT

SPONSOR: Griesheimer

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on Higher Education by a vote of 9 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Legislative Oversight by a vote of 8 to 0.

This bill defines "concession agreement," as any license or lease between a private developer and an institution of higher education regarding capital projects. The bill allows institutions of higher education to enter into long-term concession agreements as long as they follow the competitive bidding process for public private partnerships.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill will allow facilities to be built on campus property, leased to the institution of higher learning, and allow private business to generate revenue to offset costs.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Griesheimer and State Technical College.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.