HB 1189 -- HOME INSPECTIONS

SPONSOR: Plocher

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on General Laws by a vote of 11 to 1.

This bill prevents a political subdivision from requiring the owner of residential property to have a home inspection conducted in order to sell the property. The bill does not apply to any inspection requirement of new construction or occupancy permits.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that inspection requirements customarily fall on the buyer and not the seller of a property. There is no state certification of home inspectors and so little guidance or oversight in this area.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Plocher; and the Missouri Association of Realtors.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.