HCR 20 -- PORNOGRAPHY

SPONSOR: Wilson

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Children and Families by a vote of 6 to 2. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Administrative Oversight by a vote of 7 to 3.

This resolution warns of the dangers of pornography and recognizes that it is a public health hazard that could lead to societal harms. It recognizes the need for more education, prevention, research, and policy change at the community and societal level, and it urges governing bodies to take appropriate steps to ensure that progress is made.

This bill is similar to HCR 71 (2018).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that pornography is a significant problem, even for young adults, pastors, and youth ministers and this HCR will make the problem public and force people to talk about it. Supporters want people to not be afraid to get tied to this issue and to start working on solutions.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Wilson; National Decency Coalition; and Concerned Women for America of Missouri.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.