HB 1870 -- CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

SPONSOR: Gregory

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Professional Registration and Licensing by a vote of 9 to 2. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Administrative Oversight by a vote of 7 to 3.

This bill exempts a certified public accountant from having to complete continuing education requirements for any year the certified public accountant is serving in the General Assembly.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill will exempt General Assembly Members who are also certified public accountants from the continuing education requirements for any year they are serving.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Gregory.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

OTHERS: Others testifying on the bill say that currently there are only two members of the General Assembly that are certified public accountants. If you would go to another state for work you would still be required to have completed the continuing education requirements or you would not be allowed to do CPA work. Also if you audit in Missouri you would still need to complete the required education hours.

Testifying on the bill was Missouri Society Of Certified Public Accountants.