

HCS HB 95 -- PRODUCTS SOLD IN STATE CAPITOL

SPONSOR: Taylor (139)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on General Laws by a vote of 14 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Legislative Oversight by a vote of 10 to 0.

The following is a summary of the House Committee Substitute for HB 95.

This bill requires that any nonfood product sold in the Missouri State Capitol Building be made in the United States. Any product purchased before implementation is exempt from this requirement.

This bill is similar to HB 1643 (2020).

The following is a summary of the public testimony from the committee hearing. The testimony was based on the introduced version of the bill.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill puts Missouri in line with the federal government and other states. The bill simply ensures that state government supports local and national companies.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Taylor and Arnie C. Dienoff.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

OTHERS: Others testifying on the bill say the gift shop has been making an effort over time to include more products made in Missouri and the United States. With this bill, the gift shop would have to transition out some items where comparable ones cannot be found, but would also have other items to add instead.

Testifying on the bill was Rich Germander, Missouri Department of Natural Resources.