

HCS HB 402 -- LOTTERY WINNERS

SPONSOR: Mosley

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on General Laws by a vote of 16 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 402.

This bill prohibits the Lottery Commission, state lottery, any contracted organization, or any of their employees from publishing the name, address, or identifying information of a lottery winner in printed or electronic form for distribution or sale to the public. An individual may permit public disclosure of his or her information by providing written release to any entity that is otherwise prohibited from disclosing the information.

This bill contains a penalty provision. Any violation of these provisions is a class A misdemeanor.

This bill is similar to HB 1563 (2020) and HB 275 (2019).

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 protects individuals from unwanted attention due to winning the lottery. This bill helps keep money in Missouri by protecting individuals who may otherwise buy lottery tickets in other states that do not release identifying information.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Mosley.

OPPONENTS: Arnie C. Dienoff and Doug Crews, Lathrop GPM, Missouri Press Association, provided written oppositional testimony.

Written testimony has been submitted for this bill. The full written testimony can be found under Testimony on the bill page on the House website.