

HB 604 -- CERTIFICATES OF SELF-INSURANCE

SPONSOR: Gregory (51)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Insurance by a vote of 10 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Legislative Oversight by a vote of 9 to 0.

This bill allows any religious denomination that discourages its members from purchasing insurance as being contrary to its religious tenets, but has more than 25 members with motor vehicles, to qualify as a self-insurer by obtaining a self-insurance certificate issued by the Director of the Department of Revenue.

Currently, a religious denomination can only qualify if it prohibits its members from purchasing insurance of any form.

This bill is the same as HB 1851 (2020).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill will allow religious organizations that discourages members from getting vehicle insurance to be allowed to qualify as self-insurer and be able to get a self-insurance certificate.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Gregory; Arnie Dienoff; Dean Dohrman; and John Yoder.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

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.