HB 872 -- SCHOOL INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

SPONSOR: Pike

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Elementary and Secondary Education 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.

Beginning with the 2021-22 school term a school district's 1/2 day education program will only make up days or hours of school that are required of the district due inclement weather on a proportional basis.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this will address an oversight when legislation was passed that allows districts to make up a certain number of school days by also allowing half day programs to make up a proportional amount of time.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Pike; Phyllis Lecuru; Missouri School Boards Association; Missouri School Teachers Association; Missouri National Education Association; Scott Kimble, Missouri Association of School Administrators; and Stacey J. Suder-Lawson.

Opposition: Written testimony was submitted in opposition of the bill.

OTHERS: Others testifying on the bill say this will effect a number of districts and help alleviate concerns.

Testifying on the bill was Michael Harris, Missouri Department Of Elementary And Secondary Education.

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.