

HCS HB 952 -- 1619 PROJECT

SPONSOR: Seitz

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on General Laws by a vote of 11 to 5.

The following is a summary of the House Committee Substitute for HB 952.

This bill defines the "1619 Project" and prohibits public schools from teaching, using, promoting, or providing students the 1619 Project as part of the curriculum, course materials, or instruction.

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 the bill will prohibit programs that seeks to discredit American values and create further division.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Seitz; Alex Waggoner; Alicia Gillean; Allen E. Mathieu; Allen Meyer; Amber Mueller; Amy Reed; Andrea Blunt; Andrea Cockroft; Andrea Leigh Flowers; Andrea Shrum; Andrew Cope; Andria Cook; Angela A Schumer; Angela Nauman-Musick; Anita Stahl; Ann Brannan; Ann Rowan; Anna Rodriguez; Anne Torrence; Aric Schreiner; Arnie C. Dienoff; Audrey Dean; Bailey Kelly; Barbara Deremo; Bart Brnjac; Becky L Bickhaus; Becky Tucker; Becky Viola; Benjamin E Droney; Benjamin Murphy; Berna Dene Proffitt; Bernadette Winkler; Bernice Wood; Bess Scozzari; Beth Perry; Bethany Kjellesvik; Betsy Murphy; Bill Neukum; Bobby Abernathy; Bradley Ems; Brandice L. Padberg; Brian Bononi; Brian Golz; Byron L Keelin; Carine Zrodowski; Carla Grewe; Carol Bieber; Carol Pitzer; Carole Zumwalt; Carolyn Lilley; Carrieann Thomas; Casilda Josephine Struckhoff; Catherine; Celeste Witzel; Cheri Pello; Cheryl; Cheryl Bohl; Cheryl Sue Gross; Chris Rundquist; Chris Stiegman; Chris Winkelmann; Christina M Macormic; Christine Camene; Christine Dzafic; Christine E. Hessel; Christine Lynne Carr; Christine Merli; Christopher Fichter; Christopher Frank; Christopher Kling; Christopher Seiler; Cindy Angle; Cindy Castelazo; Cindy Deggendorf; Cindy Mydlo; Cindyhorn; Claire Knudsen; Clif Ehlen; Colette Nichoslon; Cori Nations; Courtney Rawlins; Cynthia Redburn; Darla R Ratliff; Darlene Slattery; Darrell Smith; Dave Davis; David T. Murphy; Deb Michaels; Debbie Joy; Debbie Sullivan, Concerned Women Of America; Debra K Kohl; Debra Spangler; Denis M. Boles; Diana Bono; Dianne Adam; Dolores Hoffman; Don Jasper; Donald A Bickhaus II; Donald Self; Donna L.

Martin; Donna Mcilroy; Edward (Tony) Shepherd; Eimee E Cook; Eimee E Cook; Elaine Divis; Elias And Diane Torres; Elizabeth Dowling; Elizabeth Thoma; Ellen Stuhldreier; Emily Arff; Eric Williford; Erica Schwan; Erin Jared Keplinger; Erin Kelly; Eugene Fallert; Gail Keelin; Gary Hinrichs; Gena Reed; George Terry; Gerald W Moss; Glenda Gibson; Gordon Knight; Greg & Nancy Goodman; Gwen Wadell; Haven Howard, Concerned Women for America of Missouri SW; Heather Brown; Heather Kesselring; Heather Smith; Heather Song; Henry Viola; Hiroe Nakazawa; Iola Jasper; Jacob Douvier; James; James Rickenbaugh; Jan Peck; Jane Keffer; Janet Deidrick; Jason T Moore; Jeanne Kemp; Jeffry Cupps; Jennifer Daniels; Jennifer Gore; Jennifer Nixon; Jennifer Spencer; Jennifer Spencer; Jennifer Weston; Jill Miles; Joan Rawson; Joan Trankler; Joann Leitch; Joanne Schrader; Johanna Beaudean; John William Struckhoff; Jose A Ramirez; Joseph F. Hodes; Joseph Pandolfi; Joshua J. Bell; Judith Kay Brown; Julia A. Schneider; Julia Jansma; Julie Droney; Julie Matheny; Julie Pfeifer; Justus Arnett; Karen K Peter; Karen M Headrick; Karen Wood; Katherine Homza; Kathleen Baden; Kathleen Kelly Twitchell; Katie Becker; Katie Rash, No Left Turn In Education - Missouri Chapter; Kelli Mitchell; Kelly Lubker; Keri Lightner-EMS; Kevin Welker; Kieri Humphrey; Kim Liggett; Kim Stutesman; Kimberly Miller; Kristine M Stoneman; Kylee Boyd; Laura Fisher; Laura Fogle; Laura Murphy; Laurel Morton; Lauren Gilliam; Leah Kolb; Leah Pruitt; Leanne Mennemeier; Leo Brian Lukowski; Leslie Stocker Dill; Lester Eggemeyer; Linda Burgess; Linda Clark; Linda Stillings; Lindi Williford; Lindsay Bloch; Lisa Friedrich-Hritz; Lisa Kenkel; Lorna Ruth Piper; Louise Kennedy; Louise Shapleigh; Maki Randelman; Marcy Collins; Margaret C. "Chris" Yaudas; Margaret R Welker; Margaret Schleeter; Margaret Sueve; Marissa Kling; Marjie Saiter; Mark Gilliam; Mark Perkins; Mark Peter; Mark Stuart; Marline Kovacs; Marsha Mosher; Martha Slayton; Martin Bennet; Martin Whittaker; Mary Bower; Mary Catherine Hodes; Mary Lopez; Mary Yakel; Matt Padberg; Maureen Lauer; Maurice Perry; Megan Kesselring; Meghan Arnett; Melinda Branstetter; Melinda Wilson; Mica Wiemann; Michael And Joan Kern; Michael Ferretti; Michael Herring; Michael L. Discala; Michael S Pappas; Michele Arri; Misty King; Mitchell Dobsch; Mrs. Jean Belote; Nancy Jones; Nancy Miller; Natalie Bone; Neil P McCloskey; Nicole Olszewski; Pamela Ried; Pamela Rogers; Patricia L Vogler; Patricia Verde; Paula Coughlin; Paula Hardin; Paula Juelich; Paula Juelich; Pearl Haining; Peggy Gilkey; Peter Lemakis; Priscilla Lukowski; Rachael Kiehne; Rachel Danielle Brewer; Rachel Douvier; Ralph E. Morton Iii; Raymond Cromer; Rebecca Hrebec; Rebecca White; Regina Boschert; Richard L Clark; Rita L Thackeray; Rita Mae Needham; Rita Wiese; Robert I Wardenburg; Robert Schultz; Robert Titus; Robin Letsinger; Robin R Gallardo; Rolfe Kiehne; Ron Cawood; Ruth Denham; Sally Wind; Sandra B. Ghormley; Sandra Eno; Sandra K Goblen; Sandy Dummerth; Sandy Wengler; Sara Barnard; Sarah Richardson; Scott B Burgess; Scott Nixon; Sean Patrick Neal; Shannon Robinson; Sharise

King; Sharon Bowie; Sharon Fennewald; Sharron Hager; Shauna Poggio; Shelley Burris; Shelley Powell; Shirah Miriam Aumann; Shirley Brown; Snezana Lange; Sonia Potts; Stacy Weigand; Stacy Winters; Stephanie Crider; Stephanie Werton; Stephen Gallardo; Stephen Weigand; Steve S Stewart; Sue Mitchell; Susan Newman; Susan Love; Susan Taylor; Suzanne Cupps; Tara Arnett; Teresa Cromet; Teresa Kern; Teresa Thompson; Terry Anderson; Thomas E . Roam; Thomas E Mattingly; Tiffany Chapman; Tim Wilkerson; Timothy James Kiehne; Timothy M O'Leary; Todd E Schwendemann; Tracy Dougan; Val Cummings; Valarie Johnson; Vanessa Metz; Vic Nicholls; Vicki Dunn; Vicki Leuther; Vicki S. Johanson; Virginia Heaton; Wanda Roam; Willa Frattini; Xxx; Zachary Brown; Janet Hennessey; Joanna Tomlin; Lisa E. Cozzens; Mary Yager; Kathleen Gillman; Suszanne Behrle; Celia Gillam; Claire M Carroll; Don Carriker Jr; Eric Becker; Ian Drake Prior, Fightforschools.Com; Jason Sears; Kathy Forck; Lisa Ann Soto; Marion McCloskey; Ralph Depalma; Robert L Travers; Daron Jacobs; Concerned Women for America of Missouri; Don Hinkle; Donna Oakley; Howard Thomas; Dale Schmidt; Dobsch Dobsch; and Kathy Betzen.

OPPONENTS: Those who oppose the bill say that censorship of knowledge is un-American. The bill limits the freedom of accessibility. School districts should decide what the standards should be.

Testifying against the bill were Abigail Pankau; Allen McCoy; Amanda Michel; Amy Axtell; Amy Darr; Amy Gangloff, PHD; Amy Overington; Amy Schroeder; Andrew Witthaus; Angela; Angela Roberts; Angie Miller; Angie Stevens; Ashley Ann O'Daniel; Ashley Lawson; Becky Patel; Bethany Dixon; Bethany Xenos; Brandon Barnes; Brandon Haskey-Valerius; Brandon Jackson; Bree Bowen; Bret Hamilton; Brooke D Taylor; Bryant Antoine; Bryna G Williams; Caroline J Taylor; Carolyn Randazzo; Catherine Lasinski; Catherine Nehmer; Christine Copeland; Christine Hyman; Christine Warren; Christy Potthast; Chrystylyn Hanks; Colleen Grib; Corey; Daniel Balmer; Danielle Meert; Dawn Humes; Delaney Rhea; Dina Hamersen; Dr. Joel Vanderheyden; Drew Garrett; Elizabeth Dowdall; Elizabeth Myers; Elyssa Sullivan; Emily; Emily Decket; Emily G. Nelson; Emily Henderson; Emily Kadel; Emily Kohring; Eric Simpson; Erin Krewet; Erin Morris; Erin Suess; Gail Wechsler; Geralyn Madigan; Gerard Wittmann; Giovanina A. Gardiner; Grace Hagen; Haley Brown; Hayley Landman; Heather Harper Yates; Herman G Yoder; Hillary Howell; Holly Tinker; Inge King; James J Grib; James Thurow; Jamie A. Becker, M.Ed., M.A.; Jamie Rich; Jamie Vollmer; Janelle Frazier; Jason C. Duehr; Jason Fry; Jason Mccoy; Jay Thakur; Jeanne Manke; Jenna Voss; Jennifer Gerdes-Drone; Jennifer Link; Jennifer Ray; Jennifer Raymond; Jennifer Roberts; Jennifer Spencer; Jennifer White; Jerome Johnson; Jessica Anne Piper; Jessica Huff; Jessica Wyllie; Jill Capes; Jill Martinez; Julie Bertarelli; Julie Mouser-

Dearmond; Karen Banks; Karen Carty; Karen Leonard; Karen Rogers; Kasey Radcliff; Kate Morman; Katherine Nord; Kathleen Z McIntosh; Kathryn Brandt; Katie Molitor; Kelly Floyd; Kelly Loyd; Kelly O'Brien Loretta; Kelsey Tinkum; Kim Linhares; Kira Geile; Kristin Spalding; Kristine Ruzicka; Lance Finney; Laura Burkhardt; Laura Jackson; Laura Watson; Lauren Obermark; Linda A Horodenski; Linda Seltzer; Linda Shade; Lindsey Ackland; Lindsey Mueller; Lisa Oliverio; Lloyd Klinedinst; Lorraine Frazier; Maggie Klonsky; Margaret Asher; Margaret Boyko; Mark Boyko; Marla Guggenheimer; Marla Timberlake Stout; Marlo Hughes; Mary M. Heckenberg; Mary Waggener; Matthew Ackerman; Matthew Chapin; Megan Daniels; Megan O'Brien; Melanie Jackson; Michael David Duckworth; Michael Vasek; Milton Rudi; Missy Wright; Molly Stehn; Nadria Tucker; Nicholas W. Sacco; Nicole Schroeter; Nicolette Prosser; Nicolette Stilwell; Oded Gurantz; Missouri NEA; Patricia Fisher; Patrick Brannan; Patrick Hayes; Paul Gewalt; Rachael Burnd; Rachel Behnen; Rachel Leonard; Rachel Potucek; Randee Steffen; Rhiannon Kaye; Ryan Roe; Ryan Tinker; Sara Butler; Sarah; Sarah Michaelis; Sarah Vanderheyden; Schneider, II, MD, Facs Thomas ("Tj") Aquinas; Shana Thomas; Shannon E Ross; Shannon Hodgkinson; Sheela Lal; Sloan Sheffield Cowell; Staci Harvatin; Stacy Kiefer; Stephanie Rose Elliott; Stephanie Ruggles; Stephen Krauska; Susan Gibson; Sylwinn Tudor; Thomas Haeselin; Tim Wright; Timothy Davis; Tom Brauch; Tracye Donovan; Tristen Smith; Velma Jean Davis; Wendy Miller; Catherine O'Keefe; Lara Zwarun; Adelaide Lancaster; Elizabeth Whelan; Kevin Coffey; Paul Tesser; Sharon Geuea Jones, NAACP; Vicki Bolger; Lela J Baker; Marge Finklang; Mary Jonz; Teresa Yakel; Shawn Daugherty; Ann Fitzmaurice; Charles Hildebrand; Jennifer Biermann; Lexie O'Brien; Marilyn Adams Huff; Sarah Kraus Coulom; Teresa Stone; Christina Andrade Melly; Cynthia Rogers; Joyce Vlashi; and Luke Barber.

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.