

HB 1053 -- TARDIVE DYSKINESIA AWARENESS WEEK

SPONSOR: Patterson

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Standing Committee on Health and Mental Health Policy by a vote of 15 to 0. Vote "Do Pass- Consent" by the Standing Committee on Consent and House Procedure by a vote of 9 to 0.

This bill designates the first full week of May each year as "Tardive Dyskinesia Awareness Week" and encourages citizens to participate in events that raise awareness of this movement disorder.

The provisions of this bill expire August 28, 2026.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill will increase awareness of tardive dyskinesia which is a movement disorder that is characterized by uncontrollable, abnormal and repetitive movements of the face, torso or other body parts that can be disruptive and negatively impact patients by impacting them socially, emotionally and physically.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Patterson.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.