HCS HB 1133 -- TEACHER CAREER PLANS

SPONSOR: Black (7)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on Elementary and Secondary Education by a vote of 18 to 2.

The following is a summary of the House Committee Substitute for HB 1133.

This bill expands on the criteria for career ladder admission and stage achievement. Additional responsibilities and volunteer efforts outside of compensated hours may include uncompensated coaching, supervising, and organizing extracurricular activities, serving as a mentor or tutor to students, additional teacher training or certification, or assisting students with college or career preparation. The bill increases the state percentage of funding for salary supplements for career ladder from 40% to 60% and lowers the number of years before a teacher is eligible from five to two years.

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 will be a benefit to school districts currently struggling to retain quality educators. This bill addresses teachers that work with students that may not be on a college bound track and allows teachers to receive some compensation for the numerous roles that they play outside of the classroom.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Black; Jack Gamble, Missouri Association of Career Technical Education; Missouri State Teachers Association and Missouri Association of School Administrators.

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.