HCS SB 9 -- LICENSED PROFESSIONALS

SPONSOR: Riddle (Fitzwater)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on Professional Registration and Licensing by a vote of 13 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules-Legislative Oversight by a vote of 7 to 2.

Please see the Summary Sheet for a detailed list of the House changes to this Senate bill. Summary sheets for Senate Bills are located with the House Substitutes on Senate Bills web page

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 bill would provide more protections for psychologists. Psychologists working under these circumstances tend to get a lot of unsubstantiated complaints filed against them. It is difficult to find psychologists to do this work so supporters want to protect them from frivolous complaints.

Testifying for the bill were Senator Riddle; Kendall Martinez-Wright; and Mark Stringer, Missouri Department of Mental Health.

OPPONENTS: Written testimony was submitted in opposition to this bill.

Testifying against the bill was Arnie C. Dienoff.

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.