

HCS SS SB 64 -- HEALTH CARE

SPONSOR: Rehder (Christofanelli)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on Emerging Issues by a vote of 12 to 2. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Administrative Oversight by the vote of 11 to 0.

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.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill would help to reduce the spread of HIV, Hepatitis C, and other bloodborne disease. Supporters say that access to clean syringes helps people seek substance abuse treatment.

Testifying for the bill were Senator Rehder; St. Louis Regional Health Commission; Arnie C. Dienoff; Missouri State Medical Association; KCMS Health Commission; Missouri Nurses Association; Vivent Health; Kendall Martinez-Wright; Cox Health; BJC Healthcare; National Association of Social Workers- Missouri Chapter; and the Missouri Pharmacy Association and Missouri Retailers Association.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

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.