HCS SS SB 198 -- VULNERABLE PERSONS

SPONSOR: Thompson Rehder

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on Children and Families by a vote of 9 to 1. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Administrative Oversight by a vote of 7 to 0.

This bill relates to vulnerable persons, with penalty provisions.

Please see the Summary Sheet for a detailed list of additional language added to the bill in committee.

The following is a summary of the public testimony from the committee hearing. The testimony was based on the Senate Perfected version of the bill.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill will help families, especially those that are survivors of domestic violence looking to escape their situation as quickly as possible. It is important to have access to your birth certificate and driver's license after leaving a domestic abuser.

Testifying in person for the bill were Senator Thompson Rehder; Kids Win Missouri; National Association of Social Workers, MO Chapter; Missouri Coalition Against Domestic Sexual Violence; Missouri Coalition For Children; and Arnie C. Dienoff.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

Written testimony has been submitted for this bill. The full written testimony and witnesses testifying online can be found under Testimony on the bill page on the House website.