

SS SB 748 -- REIMBURSEMENT ALLOWANCE TAXES

SPONSOR: Hough (Smith 163)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Committee on Budget by a vote of 27 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Regulatory Oversight by a vote of 8 to 0.

This bill extends the expiration dates for the Ground Ambulance, Nursing Facility, Medicaid Managed Care Organization, Hospital, Pharmacy, and Intermediate Care Facility for the Intellectually Disabled Federal reimbursement allowances from September 30, 2024, to September 30, 2029.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this renewal provides about \$60 per patient per day in Medicaid rates, and the State will receive a Federal match of over \$3 billion. This would pose a significant and unsustainable loss to the provision of health care in the State should these renewals not occur.

Testifying in person for the bill was Senator Hough; Missouri Healthcare Association; Missouri Pharmacy Association; Missouri Hospital Association; Missouri Ambulance Association; BJC Healthcare Systems; Ambulance District Association of Missouri; Mercy Healthcare Systems; SSM Health; Saint Luke's Health System, NHS Management, LLC; Missouri Chamber of Commerce and Industry; and the Missouri Nurses' Association.

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.