

HCS HB 1446 -- TUTORING PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

SPONSOR: Phelps

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on Emerging Issues by a vote of 9 to 4.

The following is a summary of the House Committee Substitute for HB 1446.

This bill requires school districts and charter schools to notify parents of enrolled students if the school uses a tutoring program or service with at least 50% ownership interest held outside of the United States. The notice must include the name of the program and the ownership of the program, as specified in the bill.

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 children should not be receiving school-related tutoring from materials that originate in countries of concern, especially if those children reside on a military base. This bill would not ban the use or purchase of education material from countries outside of the United States, but would instead promote transparency.

Testifying in person for the bill were Representative Phelps; 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.