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The Missouri Catholic Conference supports HB 182, since it would allow for non-English speakers who undergo civil or juvenile proceedings to be treated with fairness, in accordance with their God-given inherent dignity. Having publicly funded interpretation and translation services available becomes especially relevant in the context of immigration, an area that desperately requires solutions that are rooted in justice and compassion. Allowing every person to have a full and fair opportunity to present his or her case is both just and merciful. This bill would help vulnerable people better understand their rights, avoid potentially devastating misunderstandings, and make our justice system more humane overall. The Missouri Catholic Conference urges the committee to vote "DO PASS" on HB 182.



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