

HB 1064 -- INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

SPONSOR: Grisamore

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Committee on Children, Families, and Persons with Disabilities by a vote of 9 to 0.

This bill removes all references of the phrases "mentally retarded" and "mental retardation" from statute and replaces them with "intellectually disabled" and "intellectual disability."

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill moves towards more modern language, and away from language that has become derogatory and insulting.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Grisamore.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.