

SB 901 -- Joint Committee on Health

Sponsor: Shields

This bill establishes the Joint Committee on Health to analyze and develop policy proposals for all citizens of Missouri to have affordable healthcare; monitor the development and implementation of the proposals by the Medicaid Reform Commission; and monitor the needs, costs, solutions, and problems regarding health care policy. The committee will be comprised of five members of the House of Representatives and five members of the Senate. All state departments, commissions, and offices responsible for the administration of health care policies, mental health, and social services will cooperate and assist the committee with its duties.

The committee may consult with public and private universities and academies, public and private organizations, and private citizens in the performance of its duties and enter into contracts with entities for the analysis and study of current or proposed changes to health care policies. The committee will have the power to subpoena witnesses; take testimony under oath; and compel the attendance of witnesses, the giving of testimony, and the production of records.

The bill contains an emergency clause.