

SB 156 -- TRAVEL CLUBS

SPONSOR: Goodman (Wood)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Committee on Small Business by a vote of 10 to 0.

This bill specifies that any use of travel club membership benefits during the three-day rescission period of the membership contract will not effectively waive the member's right to rescind the contract and requires the rescission statement that must be printed in the form of a disclaimer on all contracts to reflect that change.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2010, FY 2011, and FY 2012.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the travel club industry is frustrated with those who do not honor a consumer's request to rescind a contract within the three-day required time period. A small gift or benefit is given to the consumer at the time of signing the contract so that the consumer cannot rescind the contract. The bill allows the consumer to rescind the contract anyway.

Testifying for the bill was Senator Goodman.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.