

SCS SB 231 -- LANDLORD TENANT

SPONSOR: Cunningham (Stevenson)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass" by the Committee on Judiciary by a vote of 14 to 0.

This substitute exempts landlords, or any of their representatives, from liability for any loss or damage to household goods, furnishings, fixtures, or personal property resulting from the removal or disposal of the property upon the enforcement of a judgment granting possession of the premises except for willful, wanton, or malicious acts or omissions. If any property bears a label or mark identifying it as the property of a third party, the landlord must notify the third party by certified mail with return receipt requested to remove the property within five business days of the date of the execution to recover the property.

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

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill will protect landlords when carrying out the valid directions and order of the court.

Testifying for the bill was Senator Cunningham.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.