

HCS HB 1331 -- HEALTH INSURANCE FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

SPONSOR: Parkinson

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with Amendments" by the Standing Committee on Consumer Affairs by a vote of 10 to 0. Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Select Committee on the Judiciary by a vote 8 to 2.

This bill prohibits a public university, as a condition of enrollment, from binding any student to a third-party contract for the provision of health insurance without the written approval of the student or the guardian of the student.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that universities should not be able to bind its prospective students and students to third party contracts without their knowledge. Oftentimes, these students do not even know the universities have bound them to a contract until they demand payment from the students.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Parkinson.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.