

HB 2185 -- MSHSAA INTERIM COMMITTEE

SPONSOR: Cookson

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Elementary and Secondary Education by a vote of 9 to 4.

This bill creates the Missouri State High School Activities Association (MSHSAA) Interim Committee, which will meet at least one time during the interim at least once with the purpose of reviewing issues pertaining to the association.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say this bill will give people a chance to have dialogue with the association. It is important to understand that even though the association says schools do not have to belong, if the schools want to participate in tournaments in the state they do have to belong.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Cookson and the Missouri Education Reform Council.

OPPOSERS: Those who oppose the bill say this does not need to be state law. Right now, the Speaker holds the power to form or hold interim committees. He can do this on any issue he thinks is important and needs an interim committee.

Testifying against the bill was the Missouri Council of School Administrators.