

HB 2481 -- TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

SPONSOR: Pfautsch

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Trade and Tourism by a vote of 10 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Select Committee on Commerce by a vote of 6 to 0.

This bill designates February as Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month and encourages citizens to observe the month with appropriate activities and events to raise awareness of abuse in teen relationships.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that at a minimum, one in 10 teens find themselves in an abusive relationship. This bill would help bring awareness of the prevalence of abusive teen relationships and promote healthy relationships among Missouri teens.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Pfautsch and Samantha Bowers.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.