

HCS HB 1930 -- DISPLAY OF UNITED STATES FLAG

SPONSOR: Chipman

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Special Committee on Government Oversight by a vote of 10 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Rules- Administrative Oversight Committee by a vote of 13 to 0.

This bill includes political subdivisions and special districts in the list of entities prohibited from regulating the exhibition of a properly displayed United States flag. Rules, regulations, and ordinances of all kinds are subject to the requirements of the bill.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill will encourage the proper display of the flag at public buildings owned by the state or any political subdivision or agency of the state. The bill does not apply to purely private associations or restrictive covenants. Federal requirements for the use and display of the flag are not mandatory and there is no penalty for improper display.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Chipman and Loyal Kaeding.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.