

HCR 73 -- UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

SPONSOR: Razer

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Special Committee on Career Readiness by a vote of 6 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Legislative Oversight by a vote of 10 to 0.

This resolution points out inconsistencies by the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) in a recent decision regarding the infractions that the University of Missouri self reported. The resolution urges the University of Missouri and the Southeastern Conference (SEC) to lead reform in the NCAA or to form a new intercollegiate athletic association.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the inconsistency between the punishment meted out by the NCAA for the University of Missouri and for similar incidents that occurred with other universities clearly shows bias in judgment toward the University of Missouri. Supporters indicated that while it would be harmful for Missouri to completely abandon the NCAA organization, there would be strength in numbers if other members of the SEC or other power conferences would consider joining or forming an alternative to the NCAA.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Razer.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.