HCS HB 1833 -- CONCEALED CARRY PERMIT APPLICATION

SPONSOR: Basye

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Special Committee on Government Oversight by a vote of 8 to 1.

The following is a summary of the House Committee Substitute for HB 1833.

Currently, an applicant is not eligible for a concealed carry permit or a Missouri lifetime or extended concealed carry permit if the applicant has pled guilty to, entered a plea of nolo contendere, or been convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment of a term exceeding one year or has pled guilty to or entered a plea of nolo contendere to one or more misdemeanor offenses involving crimes of violence within a five-year period immediately preceding application for the permit.

This bill removes the ban on eligibility for a concealed carry permit or a Missouri lifetime or extended concealed carry permit if the applicant has pled guilty to or entered a plea of nolo contendere for such crimes or offenses; the ban remains for those individuals convicted of such crimes or offenses.

This bill also lowers the age requirement from at least 19 to 18 years of age or older for a concealed carry permit.

The following is a summary of the public testimony from the committee hearing. The testimony was based on the introduced version of the bill.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill will make the statute consistent with other laws in this state.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Basye; Alan
Leaderbrand; Brad Richardson; Chuck Lange; Cynthia Roubique; David
Larson; Dena Giesing; James Coyne; Jerry Perry; John Stolte; Judith
Moorefield; Karen Compton; Kim Schnfider; Laura Hausladen; Mary
Cremer; Michael Westen; Mike Moorefield; Nick Baybrook; Rian Cerny;
Richard Wayman; Robert Ballay; Roger A. Fries; Ronald J Dollar;
Shelly Knichel; Stanley Strope; Steve Wolfrom; Susan C Holden;
Susan Myers; Suzanne Cronin; Todd Lifka; Vincent Alexander Owens;
John Fagot; Beverley Fries; Billl Yarberry; Daniel Spell; Harriett
Boggs; James C. Meyer; Josephine Byrne; Judy Sofka; Kerrie Starr;
Lori; Richard Garcia; Scott Hawke; Susan Taylor; Don Hinkle,
Missouri Baptist Convention; Joan Rawson; Maureen Catherine Lauer;
Nicolas Jon Shoffner; Susan Myers; Dale H. Roberts; Cindy

Deggendorf; Donald Lowther; Janet Hennessey; Jerry Arlon Mercier; Michael G, Tate; Ron Calzone; and Cynthia Brown.

OPPONENTS: Those who oppose the bill submitted written testimony.

Testifying against the bill were Bruce G. Keeton; Deanna Fisher; Susan Gibson; Raymond Oldham; and Arnie Dienoff.

Written testimony has been submitted for this bill. The full written testimony can be found under Testimony on the bill page on the House website.