Health Care Committee

HB 2582

Brief Description: Clarifying "visual screening" for public school students.

Sponsors: Representatives Talcott, Cody, Carrell, Cox, Quall, Nixon, Anderson, Schmidt and Haigh.

Brief Summary of Bill

Visual screening must include distance and near vision acuity.

Hearing Date: 2/7/02

Staff: John Welsh (786-7133).

Background:

Every board of school directors is required to provide screening of students for visual and auditory acuity to identify defects that retard studies, in accordance with rules of the state Board of Health in consultation with the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Summary of Bill:

Visual screening must include distance and near vision acuity.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not Requested.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.