

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. _____

Offered by _____ Of _____

Amend SCS/HCS/House Bill No. 266, Page 1, Section 9.240, Line 4,

2 by inserting after all of said line the following:

3 "161.700. 1. This section shall be known as the "Holocaust
4 Education and Awareness Commission Act".

5 2. There is hereby created a permanent state commission
6 known as the "Holocaust Education and Awareness Commission". The
7 commission shall be housed in the department of elementary and
8 secondary education and shall promote implementation of holocaust
9 education and awareness programs in Missouri in order to
10 encourage understanding of the holocaust and discourage bigotry.

11 3. The commission shall be composed of twelve members to be
12 appointed by the governor with advice and consent of the senate.

13 The makeup of the commission shall be:

- 14 (1) The commissioner of higher education;
15 (2) The commissioner of elementary and secondary education;
16 (3) The president of the University of Missouri system; and
17 (4) Nine members of the public, representative of the
18 diverse religious and ethnic heritage groups populating Missouri.

19 4. The holocaust education and awareness commission may
20 receive such funds as appropriated from public moneys or
21 contributed to it by private sources. It may sponsor programs or
22 publications to educate the public about the crimes of genocide
23 in an effort to deter indifference to crimes against humanity and
24 human suffering wherever they occur.

1 5. The term "holocaust" shall be defined as the period from
2 1933 through 1945 when six million Jews and millions of others
3 were murdered [in Nazi concentration camps] by Nazi Germany and
4 its collaborators as part of a structured, state-sanctioned
5 program of genocide.

6 6. The commission may employ an executive director and such
7 other persons to carry out its functions."; and

8 Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.