

HOUSE BILL No. 1004

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 16-46-14.

Synopsis: Safety PIN grant program. Establishes the safety PIN (protecting Indiana's newborns) grant program for the purpose of reducing Indiana's infant mortality rates. Establishes the safety PIN (protecting Indiana's newborns) grant fund. Requires the state department of health to administer the grant program. Sets forth requirements for grant proposals, and sets forth subject matters that will receive preference in awarding the grants.

Effective: July 1, 2015.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 16-46-14 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2015]:
4 **Chapter 14. Safety PIN (Protecting Indiana's Newborns) Grant**
5 **Program**
6 **Sec. 1. The safety PIN (protecting Indiana's newborns) grant**
7 **program is established. The state department shall administer the**
8 **program.**
9 **Sec. 2. (a) The safety PIN (protecting Indiana's newborns) grant**
10 **fund is established for the purposes of distributing money for the**
11 **reducing infant mortality grant program. The fund shall be**
12 **administered by the state department.**
13 **(b) The fund consists of:**
14 **(1) money appropriated to the fund by the general assembly;**
15 **(2) money received from state or federal grants or programs;**



1 **and**

2 **(3) gifts, money, and donations received from any other**
3 **source, including transfers from other funds or accounts.**

4 **(c) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from**
5 **money in the fund.**

6 **(d) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not**
7 **currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same**
8 **manner as other public money may be invested. Interest that**
9 **accrues from the investments shall be deposited in the fund.**

10 **(e) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not**
11 **revert to the state general fund.**

12 **Sec. 3. (a) A person seeking a grant under this chapter must**
13 **submit a proposal to the state department.**

14 **(b) A proposal for a grant under this chapter must include the**
15 **following:**

16 **(1) The targeted area.**

17 **(2) A proposed specific reduction in the rate of infant**
18 **mortality among the targeted area that is measurable based**
19 **on available information to the state department.**

20 **(3) The time frame in which to achieve the reduction**
21 **described in subdivision (2).**

22 **(c) Not more than fifty percent (50%) of an awarded grant may**
23 **be used by the grantee for ongoing expenses of the proposal. The**
24 **state department shall distribute the remaining amount of the**
25 **grant to the grantee when the state department has determined**
26 **that the reduction in the infant mortality rate among the proposal's**
27 **target demographic has been achieved within the time frame**
28 **specified in the grant proposal.**

29 **Sec. 4. (a) In awarding grants under this chapter, the state**
30 **department shall give preference to proposals that seek to do any**
31 **of the following:**

32 **(1) Improve access and coordination through outreach and**
33 **follow-up services for pregnant women who are at risk of not**
34 **receiving prenatal care.**

35 **(2) Incentivize at-risk pregnant women to obtain prenatal**
36 **care.**

37 **(3) Decrease smoking rates among pregnant women.**

38 **(4) Promote evidence based home visitation by a trained**
39 **provider or coordinator.**

40 **(5) Incentivize collaboration between health care providers**
41 **and other human services providers in providing outreach to**
42 **at-risk pregnant women.**



- 1 **(6) Address the issue of infant mortality on a regional basis.**
- 2 **(b) The state department shall develop regions for purposes of**
- 3 **subsection (a)(6).**
- 4 **Sec. 5. The state department may adopt necessary rules under**
- 5 **IC 4-22-2 to implement this chapter.**

