

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL No. 1243

DIGEST OF HB 1243 (Updated March 4, 2024 5:00 pm - DI 110)

Citations Affected: IC 20-18; IC 20-19; IC 20-24; IC 20-26; IC 20-26.5; IC 20-27; IC 20-28; IC 20-30; IC 20-31; IC 20-32; IC 20-33; IC 20-35; IC 20-40; IC 20-43; IC 20-51.4; IC 21-18; IC 21-18.5; IC 21-40; IC 22-4.1; noncode.

Synopsis: Various education matters. Makes various changes to the education law concerning the following: (1) Indiana diploma requirements and designations and satisfying certain course requirements by obtaining a diploma. (2) The criteria to receive a waiver from postsecondary readiness competency requirements. (3) The minimum number of alternate diplomas that may be counted in (Continued next page)

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SENATE ACTION

February 12, 2024, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career

Development.
February 22, 2024, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass; reassigned to Committee on

Appropriations.

February 29, 2024, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.

March 4, 2024, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.



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determining a school's or school corporation's graduation rate. (4) Use of the terms "statewide assessment program" and "statewide summative assessment". (5) The responsibilities of the state advisory council on the education of children with disabilities. (6) The criteria an individual must meet to participate in the Indiana high school equivalency diploma program. Establishes notice and posting requirements regarding school corporations that fail to meet: (1) certain expenditure requirements regarding full-time teacher salaries; or (2) the percentage of state tuition support that must be expended on teacher compensation. Requires the following: (1) Each public high school to offer, after June 30, 2028, at least once each school year at least one computer science course as a separate subject in the public high school's curriculum. (2) The department of education (department), in revising and updating academic standards, to consider integrating: (A) computer science; and (B) data literacy and data science; standards into a subject area being revised. (3) Beginning with the cohort of students who are expected to graduate from a public school or a state accredited nonpublic school in 2029, a student to successfully complete instruction on computer science as a separate subject before the student may graduate. (4) Each public school to participate in an annual statewide survey concerning school fees charged to students or parents to be eligible to receive a distribution from the curricular materials fund. (5) The department to develop proposals to align diploma waiver statutes with new diploma requirements. (6) Charter schools to post certain information. Provides that the state board of education may allow a computer science course to satisfy one or more diploma course requirements. Removes provisions regarding the application and waiver of requirements concerning: (1) certain expenditure requirements regarding full-time teacher salaries; and (2) the percentage of state tuition support that must be used for teacher compensation. Removes provisions that have expired concerning high school graduation requirements and graduation waivers. Removes language concerning the disqualification of certain students for state scholarships, grants, or assistance administered by the commission for higher education and provides that a student may not receive or use any state scholarships, grants, or assistance administered by the commission for certain noncreditbearing, nondegree seeking courses. Amends the expiration date for the high school equivalency pilot program to June 30, 2026. (The current expiration date is June 30, 2024.) Allows school corporations to provide certain notices regarding expulsion meetings by electronic mail. Provides each school corporation, charter school, and state accredited nonpublic school shall include in its curriculum for students enrolled in grade 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12 (instead of all high school students) instruction concerning personal financial responsibility. Provides that the department may authorize school corporations or charter schools to cancel school on April 8, 2024, or use the day as a virtual student instructional day for the observance of the solar eclipse occurring on that date.



Second Regular Session of the 123rd General Assembly (2024)

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

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

1	SECTION 1. IC 20-18-2-6.3, AS ADDED BY P.L.242-2017,
2	SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 6.3. (a) This section applies after June 30, 2018.
4	(b) "Graduation pathway requirement" refers to requirements
5	established by the state board under IC 20-32-4-1.5(a)(1) (before its
6	expiration) or IC 20-32-4-1.5(b)(1).
7	SECTION 2. IC 20-19-2-21, AS AMENDED BY P.L.202-2023,
8	SECTION 10, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
9	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 21. (a) The state board shall establish one (1)
10	standard Indiana diploma for individuals who successfully complete
11	high school graduation requirements before October 1, 2028. This
12	subsection expires October 1, 2028.
13	(b) Each Indiana diploma established under subsection (a) must
14	include one (1) of the following designations if an individual meets the

criteria established by the state board for the designation:



1	(1) General designation.
2	(2) Core 40 designation.
3	(3) Core 40 with academic honors designation.
4	(4) Core 40 with technical honors designation.
5	This subsection expires October 1, 2028.
6	(c) The state board shall establish one (1) standard Indiana
7	diploma for individuals who:
8	(1) are students in a cohort that is expected to graduate in
9	2029 or thereafter; and
10	(2) successfully complete high school graduation
11	requirements.
12	(d) The Indiana diploma established under subsection (c) must
13	include a diploma designation established under subsection (e) if an
14	individual meets the criteria established by the state board for the
15	designation.
16	(e) Subject to subsection (g), the state board shall establish
17	diploma designations that indicate a student is adequately
18	prepared for one (1) or both of the following:
19	(1) Direct entry into the workforce upon graduation.
20	(2) Postsecondary education aligned to the student's chosen
21	career path.
22	(e) (f) The state board, in consultation with the department, shall
23	establish new high school diploma requirements for the Indiana
23 24	diploma established under subsection (c) to replace 511 IAC 6-7.1.
25	When establishing new high school diploma requirements, the state
26	board shall consider input received from the following:
27	(1) Educators.
28	(2) The commission for higher education.
29	(3) Approved postsecondary educational institutions (as
30	defined in IC 21-7-13-6(a)).
31	(4) Entities that represent business interests across multiple
32	industries.
33	(g) The diploma designations established under subsection (e)
34	must:
35	(1) explore competency based methods to demonstrate
36	proficiency in a course or skill area required for graduation;
37	(2) promote lifelong learning with a goal of increasing a
38	student's postsecondary educational attainment;
39	(3) include, as part of at least one (1) designation, a
40	requirement that the student successfully completes a quality
41	work based learning experience aligned to the student's
42	postsecondary goals; and



1	(4) include, as part of at least one (1) designation, a
2	requirement that a student successfully:
3	(A) obtained a credential described in IC 20-43-8-15.5;
4	(B) earned a top distinction established by an advanced
5	course work program that:
6	(i) is nationally recognized for its rigor; and
7	(ii) includes an examination of student competency;
8	(C) completed Indiana college core (IC 21-42-3); or
9	(D) completed requirements for an associate degree,
10	including those earned through transfer as a junior
11	pathways.
12	(d) (h) Not later than December 31, 2024, the state board shall do
13	the following:
14	(1) Not later than December 31, 2024, adopt rules under
15	IC 4-22-2 to implement subsection (c).
16	(2) Not later than July 1, 2023, adopt emergency rules in the
17	manner provided under IC 4-22-2-37.1 to implement subsection
18	(c). this section.
19	SECTION 3. IC 20-19-3-17, AS AMENDED BY P.L.246-2023,
20	SECTION 25, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
21	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 17. (a) As used in this section, "foster care" has
22	the meaning set forth in IC 31-9-2-46.7.
23	(b) As used in this section, "foster care youth" means students in
24	foster care.
25	(c) As used in this section, "graduation rate" has the meaning set
26	forth in IC 20-26-13-6.
27	(d) The state board shall, in collaboration with the department and
28	the department of child services, annually prepare a report on foster
29	care youth educational outcomes that includes the following:
30	(1) The annual graduation rate of foster care youth, including the
31	following information:
32	(A) The graduation rate for each of the following:
33	(i) Foster care youth who received a graduation waiver
34	under IC 20-32-4-4. from postsecondary readiness
35	competency requirements under IC 20-32-4-4.1.
36	(ii) Foster care youth who did not receive a graduation
37	waiver under IC 20-32-4-4. from postsecondary readiness
38	competency requirements under IC 20-32-4-4.1.
39	(B) The number and percentage of foster care youth who
40	received each type of diploma.
41	(2) The adjusted cohort graduation rate for foster care youth,
42	including the adjusted cohort graduation rate for each of the



1	following:
2	(A) Foster care youth who received a graduation waiver under
3	IC 20-32-4-4. from postsecondary readiness competency
4	requirements under IC 20-32-4-4.1.
5	(B) Foster care youth who did not receive a graduation waiver
6	under IC 20-32-4-4. from postsecondary readiness
7	competency requirements under IC 20-32-4-4.1.
8	(3) The number and percentage for each of the following:
9	(A) Foster care youth who were promoted to the next grade
10	level at the end of the school year.
11	(B) Foster care youth who were retained in the same grade
12	level for the next school year.
13	(C) Foster care youth who were suspended during the school
14	year.
15	(D) Foster care youth who were expelled during the school
16	year.
17	(E) Foster care youth who met academic standards on
18	statewide assessment program tests (as defined in
19 20	IC 20-32-2-2.3) administered during the school year.
	The information reported under this subdivision must also be
21 22	disaggregated by race, grade, gender, free or reduced price lunch
	status, and eligibility for special education.
23 24	(4) The number and percentage of eligible foster care youth who are enrolled in the prekindergarten program under IC 12-17.2-7.2.
25	(5) The number and percentage of foster care youth who passed
26	the reading skills evaluation administered under IC 20-32-8.5-2.
27	(6) The number and percentage of foster care youth enrolled in
28	schools, disaggregated by the category or designation of the
29	school under IC 20-31-8-3.
30	(7) The number and percentage of foster care youth enrolled in
31	schools, disaggregated by the type of school, including public
32	schools, charter schools, and secure private facilities (as defined
33	in IC 31-9-2-115).
34	(e) Not later than June 30, 2019, the department shall:
35	(1) after consulting with the department of child services, develop
36	a remediation plan concerning foster care youth; and
37	(2) submit a copy of the remediation plan to the following:
38	(A) The state board.
39	(B) The department of child services.
10	(C) The legislative council in an electronic format under
1 1	IC 5-14-6.
12	(f) Before April 1, 2019, and before April 1 each year thereafter, the
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1	department shall submit the report described in subsection (d) to the
2	following:
3	(1) Department of child services.
4	(2) Legislative council in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.
5	SECTION 4. IC 20-19-3-18, AS AMENDED BY P.L.246-2023,
6	SECTION 26, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
7	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 18. (a) As used in this section, "graduation rate"
8	has the meaning set forth in IC 20-26-13-6.
9	(b) The state board shall, in collaboration with the department and
10	the department of child services, annually prepare a report on homeless
1	youth educational outcomes that includes the following:
12	(1) The annual graduation rate of homeless youth, including the
13	following information:
14	(A) The graduation rate for each of the following:
15	(i) Homeless youth who received a graduation waiver under
16	IC 20-32-4-4. from postsecondary readiness competency
17	requirements under IC 20-32-4-4.1.
18	(ii) Homeless youth who did not receive a graduation waiver
19	under IC 20-32-4-4. from postsecondary readiness
20	competency requirements under IC 20-32-4-4.1.
21	(B) The number and percentage of homeless youth who
22	received each type of diploma.
23 24	(2) The adjusted cohort graduation rate for homeless youth,
24	including the adjusted cohort graduation rate for each of the
25	following:
26	(A) Homeless youth who received a graduation waiver under
27	IC 20 32 4 4. from postsecondary readiness competency
28	requirements under IC 20-32-4-4.1.
29	(B) Homeless youth who did not receive a graduation waiver
30	under IC 20-32-4-4. from postsecondary readiness
31 32	competency requirements under IC 20-32-4-4.1.
	(3) The number and percentage of each of the following:
33 34	(A) Homeless youth who were promoted to the next grade
35	level at the end of the school year.
36 36	(B) Homeless youth who were retained in the same grade level
37	for the next school year.
38	(C) Homeless youth who were suspended during the school
39	year. (D) Homology youth who were expelled during the school year.
10	(D) Homeless youth who were expelled during the school year.(E) Homeless youth who met academic standards on statewide
+0 41	assessment program tests (as defined in IC 20-32-2-2.3)
†1 12	administered during the school year



1	The information reported under this subdivision must also be
2	disaggregated by race, grade, gender, free or reduced price lunch
3	status, and eligibility for special education.
4	(4) The number and percentage of eligible homeless youth who
5	are enrolled in the prekindergarten program under IC 12-17.2-7.2.
6	(5) The number and percentage of homeless youth who passed the
7	reading skills evaluation administered under IC 20-32-8.5-2.
8	(6) The number and percentage of homeless youth enrolled in
9	schools, disaggregated by the category or designation of the
10	school under IC 20-31-8-3.
11	(7) The number and percentage of homeless youth enrolled in
12	schools, disaggregated by the type of school, including public
13	schools, charter schools, and secure private facilities (as defined
14	in IC 31-9-2-115).
15	(c) Not later than August 31, 2019, the department shall:
16	(1) develop a remediation plan concerning homeless youth; and
17	(2) submit a copy of the remediation plan to the following:
18	(A) The state board.
19	(B) The Indiana housing and community development
20	authority established by IC 5-20-1-3.
21	(C) The legislative council in an electronic format under
22	IC 5-14-6.
23	(d) Before June 1, 2019, and before June 1 each year thereafter, the
24	department shall submit the report described in subsection (b) to the
25	following:
26	(1) The Indiana housing and community development authority.
27	(2) The legislative council in an electronic format under
28	IC 5-14-6.
29	SECTION 5. IC 20-24-4-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.189-2023,
30	SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
31	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 1. (a) A charter must meet the following
32	requirements:
33	(1) Be a written instrument.
34	(2) Be executed by an authorizer and an organizer.
35	(3) Confer certain rights, franchises, privileges, and obligations
36	on a charter school.
37	(4) Confirm the status of a charter school as a public school.
38	(5) Subject to subdivision (6)(E), be granted for:
39	(A) not less than three (3) years or more than fifteen (15)
40	years; and
41	(B) a fixed number of years agreed to by the authorizer and the
42	organizer.



1	(6) Provide for the following:
2	(A) A review by the authorizer of the charter school's
3	performance, including the progress of the charter school in
4	achieving the academic goals set forth in the charter, at least
5	one (1) time in each five (5) year period while the charter is in
6	effect.
7	(B) Renewal, if the authorizer and the organizer agree to renew
8	the charter.
9	(C) The renewal application must include guidance from the
10	authorizer, and the guidance must include the performance
11	criteria that will guide the authorizer's renewal decisions.
12	(D) The renewal application process must, at a minimum,
13	provide an opportunity for the charter school to:
14	(i) present additional evidence, beyond the data contained in
15	the performance report, supporting its case for charter
16	renewal;
17	(ii) describe improvements undertaken or planned for the
18	charter school; and
19	(iii) detail the charter school's plans for the next charter
20	term.
21	(E) Not later than the end of the calendar year in which the
22	charter school seeks renewal of a charter, the governing board
23	of a charter school seeking renewal shall submit a renewal
24	application to the charter authorizer under the renewal
25	application guidance issued by the authorizer. The authorizer
25 26	shall make a final ruling on the renewal application not later
27	than April 1 after the filing of the renewal application. A
28	renewal granted under this clause is not subject to the three (3)
29	year minimum described in subdivision (5). The April 1
30	deadline does not apply to any review or appeal of a final
31	ruling. After the final ruling is issued, the charter school may
32	obtain further review by the authorizer of the authorizer's final
33	ruling in accordance with the terms of the charter school's
34	charter and the protocols of the authorizer.
35	(7) Specify the grounds for the authorizer to:
36	(A) revoke the charter before the end of the term for which the
37	charter is granted; or
38	(B) not renew a charter.
39	(8) Set forth the methods by which the charter school will be held
10	accountable for achieving the educational mission and goals of
11	the charter school, including the following:
12	(A) Evidence of improvement in:



1	(i) assessment measures, including the statewide assessment
2	program measures;
2 3 4	(ii) attendance rates;
4	(iii) graduation rates (if appropriate);
5	(iv) increased numbers of Indiana diplomas with a Core 40
6	designation or increased numbers of Indiana diploma
7	designations established under IC 20-19-2-21 and other
8	college and career ready indicators including advanced
9	placement participation and passage, dual credit
10	participation and passage, and International Baccalaureate
11	participation and passage (if appropriate);
12	(v) increased numbers of Indiana diplomas with Core 40
13	with academic honors and technical honors designations (if
14	appropriate);
15	(vi) student academic growth;
16	(vii) financial performance and stability; and
17	(viii) governing board performance and stewardship,
18	including compliance with applicable laws, rules and
19	regulations, and charter terms.
20	(B) Evidence of progress toward reaching the educational
21	goals set by the organizer.
22	(9) Describe the method to be used to monitor the charter
23	school's:
24	(A) compliance with applicable law; and
25	(B) performance in meeting targeted educational performance.
26	(10) Specify that the authorizer and the organizer may amend the
27	charter during the term of the charter by mutual consent and
28	describe the process for amending the charter.
29	(11) Describe specific operating requirements, including all the
30	matters set forth in the application for the charter.
31	(12) Specify a date when the charter school will:
32	(A) begin school operations; and
33	(B) have students attending the charter school.
34	(13) Specify that records of a charter school relating to the
35	school's operation and charter are subject to inspection and
36	copying to the same extent that records of a public school are
37	subject to inspection and copying under IC 5-14-3.
38	(14) Specify that records provided by the charter school to the
39	department or authorizer that relate to compliance by the
40	organizer with the terms of the charter or applicable state or
41	federal laws are subject to inspection and copying in accordance
42	with IC 5-14-3.



1	(15) Specify that the charter school is subject to the requirements
2	of IC 5-14-1.5.
3	(16) This subdivision applies to a charter established or renewed
4	for an adult high school after June 30, 2014. The charter must
5	require:
6	(A) that the school will offer flexible scheduling;
7	(B) that students will not complete the majority of instruction
8	of the school's curriculum online or through remote
9	instruction;
10	(C) that the school will offer dual credit or industry
11	certification course work that aligns with career pathways as
12	recommended by the Indiana career council established by
13	IC 22-4.5-9-3 (expired); and
14	(D) a plan:
15	(i) to support successful program completion and to assist
16	transition of graduates to the workforce or to a
17	postsecondary education upon receiving a diploma from the
18	adult high school; and
19	(ii) to review individual student accomplishments and
20	success after a student receives a diploma from the adult
21	high school.
22	(b) A charter school shall set annual performance targets in
23	conjunction with the charter school's authorizer. The annual
24	performance targets shall be designed to help each school meet
25	applicable federal, state, and authorizer expectations.
26	SECTION 6. IC 20-24-7-16 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
27	AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
28	1, 2024]: Sec. 16. Not later than July 1 of each year, a charter
29	school shall post on the charter school's website information for the
30	immediately preceding school year regarding whether there is a
31	familial or business relationship between the organizer, owner, or
32	operator of the charter school and the owner of the charter
33	school's building.
34	SECTION 7. IC 20-24-9-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.159-2019,
35	SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
36	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 2. An annual report under this chapter must
37	contain the following information:
38	(1) Results of statewide assessment program measures.
39	(2) Student growth and improvement data for each authorized
40	school.
41	(3) Attendance rates for each authorized school. In the case of a

virtual charter school, the virtual charter school must include the



1	methodology used to determine attendance rate with the
2	attendance rate.
3	(4) Graduation rates (if appropriate), including attainment of:
4	(A) Indiana diplomas with a Core 40 designation and Indiana
5	diplomas with Core 40 with academic honors designations for
6	each authorized school prior to October 1, 2028; and
7	(B) Indiana diploma designations established under
8	IC 20-19-2-21.
9	(5) Student enrollment data for each authorized school, including
10	the following:
11	(A) The number of students enrolled.
12	(B) The number of students expelled.
13	(6) Status of the authorizer's charter schools, identifying each of
14	the authorizer's charter schools that are in the following
15	categories:
16	(A) Approved but not yet open.
17	(B) Open and operating.
18	(C) Closed or having a charter that was not renewed,
19	including:
20	(i) the year closed or not renewed; and
21	(ii) the reason for the closure or nonrenewal.
22	(7) Names of the authorizer's board members or ultimate decision
23	making body.
24	(8) Evidence that the authorizer is in compliance with
25	IC 20-24-2.2-1.5.
26	(9) A report summarizing the total amount of administrative fees
27	collected by the authorizer and how the fees were expended, if
28	applicable.
29	(10) Total amount of other fees or funds not included in the report
30	under subdivision (9) received by the authorizer from a charter
31	school and how the fees or funds were expended.
32	(11) The most recent audits for each authorized school submitted
33	to the authorizer under IC 5-11-1-9.
34	(12) For a virtual charter school, the student engagement
35	requirements or policies.
36	SECTION 8. IC 20-26-5-37, AS AMENDED BY P.L.10-2019,
37	SECTION 82, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
38	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 37. (a) A high school operated by a school
39	corporation shall offer the high school's students the opportunity to
40	earn an Indiana diploma with any type of designation established under
41	IC 20-19-2-21.
42	(b) Notwithstanding IC 20-32-4-1.5, IC $\frac{20-32-4-4(a)(5)}{(a)}$



IC 20-32-4-4.1(b)(3), and IC $\frac{20-32-4-5(b)(2)(E)}{(E)}$,
IC 20-32-4-5(b)(2)(D), a school corporation shall not require a student
with a disability to complete locally required credits that exceed state
credit requirements to receive a diploma unless otherwise required as
part of the student's individualized education program under IC 20-35.
SECTION 9. IC 20-26-13-5, AS AMENDED BY THE
TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS BILL OF THE 2024 GENERAL
ASSEMBLY, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 5. (a) As used in this chapter, "graduation" means
the successful completion by a student of:
(1) a sufficient number of academic credits, or the equivalent of
academic credits, or the diploma requirements established
under IC 20-19-2-21(c); and
(2) the graduation examination (before July 1, 2022), a
postsecondary readiness competency established by the state
board under IC 20-32-4-1.5(c), or a waiver process required under
IC 20-32-3 through IC 20-32-5.1;
resulting in the awarding of an Indiana diploma or an alternative
alternate diploma described in IC 20-32-4-14.
(b) The term does not include the granting of a general educational
development diploma under IC 20-20-6 (before its repeal) or
IC 22-4.1-18.
SECTION 10. IC 20-26-13-10, AS AMENDED BY P.L.246-2023,
SECTION 36, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
JUNE 29, 2024]: Sec. 10. (a) Except as provided in section 11 of this
chapter and subject to IC 20-31-8-4.6 and IC 20-32-4-14, the four (4)
year graduation rate for a cohort in a high school is the percentage
determined under STEP FIVE of the following formula:
STEP ONE: Determine the grade 9 enrollment at the beginning of
the reporting year three (3) years before the reporting year for
which the graduation rate is being determined.
STEP TWO: Add:
(A) the number determined under STEP ONE; and
(B) the number of students who:
(i) have enrolled in the high school after the date on which
the number determined under STEP ONE was determined;
and
(ii) have the same expected graduation year as the cohort.
STEP THREE: Subtract from the sum determined under STEP
TWO the number of students who have left the cohort for any of
the following reasons:

(A) Transfer to another public or nonpublic school.



1	(B) Except as provided in IC 20-33-2-28.6 and subsection (b),
2	removal by the student's parents under IC 20-33-2-28 to
3	provide instruction equivalent to that given in the public
4	schools.
5	(C) Withdrawal because of a long term medical condition or
6	death.
7	(D) Detention by a law enforcement agency or the department
8	of correction.
9	(E) Placement by a court order or the department of child
10	services.
11	(F) Enrollment in a virtual school.
12	(G) Leaving school, if the student attended school in Indiana
13	for less than one (1) school year and the location of the student
14	cannot be determined.
15	(H) Leaving school, if the location of the student cannot be
16	determined and the student has been reported to the Indiana
17	clearinghouse for information on missing children and missing
18	endangered adults.
19	(I) Withdrawing from school before graduation, if the student
20	is a high ability student (as defined in IC 20-36-1-3) who is a
21	full-time student at an accredited institution of higher
21 22	education during the semester in which the cohort graduates.
23	(J) Withdrawing from school before graduation pursuant to
23 24	providing notice of withdrawal under section 17 of this
25	chapter.
26	(K) Participating in the high school equivalency pilot program
27	under IC 20-30-8.5, unless the student fails to successfully
28	complete the high school equivalency pilot program in the two
29	(2) year period. This clause expires June 30, 2024. 2026.
30	STEP FOUR: Determine the result of:
31	(A) the total number of students determined under STEP TWO
32	who have graduated during the current reporting year or a
33	previous reporting year; minus
34	(B) the amount by which the number of students who
35	graduated through a waiver process required under IC 20-32-3
36	through IC 20-32-5.1 exceeds:
37	(i) nine percent (9%) of the total number of students
38	determined under clause (A) for the 2023-2024 school year;
39	(ii) six percent (6%) of the total number of students
40	determined under clause (A) for the 2024-2025 school year;
41	or
42	(iii) three percent (3%) of the total number of students

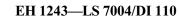


1	determined under clause (A) for each school year after June
2	30, 2025.
3	STEP FIVE: Divide:
4	(A) the number determined under STEP FOUR; by
5	(B) the remainder determined under STEP THREE.
6	(b) This subsection applies to a high school in which:
7	(1) for a:
8	(A) cohort of one hundred (100) students or less, at least ter
9	percent (10%) of the students left a particular cohort for a
10	reason described in subsection (a) STEP THREE clause (B)
11	or
12	(B) cohort of more than one hundred (100) students, at leas
13	five percent (5%) of the students left a particular cohort for a
14	reason described in subsection (a) STEP THREE clause (B)
15	and (2) (1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1
16	(2) the students described in subdivision (1)(A) or (1)(B) are no
17	on track to graduate with their cohort.
18	A high school must submit a request to the state board in a manner
19	prescribed by the state board requesting that the students described in
20	this subsection be included in the subsection (a) STEP THREE
21	calculation. The state board shall review the request and may grant or
22	deny the request. The state board shall deny the request unless the high
23	school demonstrates good cause to justify that the students described
24	in this subsection should be included in the subsection (a) STEF
25	THREE calculation. If the state board denies the request the high
26	school may not subtract the students described in this subsection under
27	subsection (a) STEP THREE.
28	SECTION 11. IC 20-26-13-16.5, AS ADDED BY P.L.86-2020
29	SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
30	JUNE 29, 2024]: Sec. 16.5. (a) A student must be subtracted under
31	clause (K) of STEP THREE of section 10(a) of this chapter when a
32	student transitions from a traditional high school to the high school
33	equivalency pilot program under IC 20-30-8.5.
34	(b) This section expires June 30, 2024. 2026.
35	SECTION 12. IC 20-26.5-2-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.201-2023
36	SECTION 167, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
37	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 3. (a) Notwithstanding any other
38	law, the following may be suspended for a coalition member in
39	accordance with the coalition's plan:
10	(1) Subject to section 1(c) of this chapter, IC 20-30, concerning
11	curriculum

(2) The following statutes and rules concerning curricular



1	matariala:
	materials:
2 3	IC 20-26-12-1, except for the provision of curricular materials
<i>3</i>	at no cost to a student in a public school.
5	IC 20-26-12-2, except for the prohibition of renting curricular
	materials to students enrolled in a public school.
6	IC 20-26-12-24.
7	511 IAC 6.1-5-5.
8	(3) The following rules concerning teacher licenses:
9	511 IAC 16.
10	511 IAC 17.
11	(4) Subject to subsection (c), IC 20-31-3 (concerning the adoption
12	of academic standards).
13	(5) IC 20-31-4.1, concerning the performance based accreditation
14	system.
15	(6) Except as provided in subsection (b), any other statute in
16	IC 20 or rule in 511 IAC requested to be suspended as part of the
17	plan that is approved by the state board under section 1 of this
18	chapter.
19	(b) A coalition member may not suspend under subsection (a)(6)
20	any of the following:
21	(1) IC 20-26-5-10 (criminal history and child protection index
22	check).
23	(2) IC 20-28 (school teachers).
24	(3) IC 20-29 (collective bargaining).
25	(4) IC 20-31 (accountability for performance and improvement),
26	except for IC 20-31-3 and IC 20-31-4.1.
27	(5) Subject to subsection (c), IC 20-32-4 (graduation
28	requirements).
29	(6) IC 20-32-5.1 (Indiana's Learning Evaluation Assessment
30	Readiness Network (ILEARN) program).
31	(7) IC 20-33 (students).
32	(8) IC 20-34 (student health and safety measures).
33	(9) IC 20-35 (special education).
34	(10) IC 20-35.5 (dyslexia screening and intervention).
35	(11) IC 20-36 (high ability students).
36	(12) IC 20-39 (accounting and financial reporting procedures).
37	(13) IC 20-40 (government funds and accounts).
38	(14) IC 20-41 (extracurricular funds and accounts).
39	(15) IC 20-42 (fiduciary funds and accounts).
40	(16) IC 20-42.5 (allocation of expenditures to student instruction
41	and learning).
12	(17) IC 20.43 (state tuition support)





1	(18) IC 20-44 (property tax levies).
2	(19) IC 20-46 (levies other than general fund levies).
3	(20) IC 20-47 (related entities; holding companies; lease
4	agreements).
5	(21) IC 20-48 (borrowing and bonds).
6	(22) IC 20-49 (state management of common school funds; state
7	advances and loans).
8	(23) IC 20-50 (homeless children and foster care children).
9	(c) A coalition member must comply with the postsecondary
10	readiness competency requirements under IC 20-32-4-1.5(b)(1).
11	IC 20-32-4-1.5(c). However, notwithstanding any other law, a coalition
12	member may replace high school courses on the high school transcript
13	with courses on the same subject matter with equal or greater rigor to
14	the required high school course and may count such a course as
15	satisfying the equivalent diploma requirements established by IC 20
16	and any applicable state board administrative rules or requirements. If
17	the coalition member school offers courses that are not aligned with
18	requirements adopted by the state board under IC 20-30-10, a parent of
19	a student and the student who intends to enroll in a course that is not
20	aligned with requirements adopted by the state board under
21	IC 20-30-10 must provide consent to the coalition member school to
22	enroll in the course. The consent form used by the coalition, which
23	shall be developed in collaboration with the commission for higher
24	education, must notify the parent and the student that enrollment in the
25	course may affect the student's ability to attend a particular
26	postsecondary educational institution or enroll in a particular course at
27	a particular postsecondary educational institution because the course
28	does not align with requirements established by the state board under
29	IC 20-30-10.
30	SECTION 13. IC 20-27-12.1-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.155-2020,
31	SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
32	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "career and technical
33	education" has the meaning set forth in IC 20-20-38-1. refers to:
34	(1) an apprenticeship program (as defined in IC 20-43-8-0.3);
35	(2) a career and technical education (as defined in
36	IC 20-20-38-1) program;
37	(3) a modern youth apprenticeship (as defined in
38	IC 20-51.4-2-9.5); and
39	(4) a work based learning course (as defined in
40	IC 20-43-8-0.7).

SECTION 14. IC 20-28-9-27, AS AMENDED BY P.L.132-2022, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE



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- JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 27. (a) As used in this section, "funding floor" means the amount a school corporation expended for full-time teacher salaries during a particular state fiscal year.
- (b) Subject to subsections (d) and (e), if the amount of state tuition support distributed to a school corporation for a particular state fiscal year is greater than the amount of state tuition support distributed to the school corporation for the preceding state fiscal year, the school corporation may not expend an amount for full-time teacher salaries during the particular state fiscal year that is less than the funding floor for the preceding state fiscal year.
- (c) For purposes of this section, the amount a school corporation expends for full-time teacher salaries shall include the amount the school corporation expends for participating in a special education cooperative or a career and technical education cooperative that is directly attributable to the salaries of full-time teachers employed by the cooperative, as determined by the department.
- (d) For purposes of this subsection, stipends paid using teacher appreciation grants under IC 20-43-10-3.5 are not considered. If a school corporation has awarded stipends to a majority of the school corporation's teachers in each of the two (2) preceding consecutive state fiscal years, an amount equal to the lesser of the total amount of stipends awarded in each of those state fiscal years shall be added to the school corporation's funding floor for the preceding state fiscal year described under subsection (b).
- (e) A school corporation may apply for a waiver from the department of the prohibition under subsection (b). The department may grant a waiver to a school corporation if the school corporation's enrollment for the school year during that particular state fiscal year is less than the enrollment in the school year during the preceding state fiscal year.
- (e) Beginning after June 30, 2024, for each state fiscal year that a school corporation fails to meet the expenditure requirements regarding full-time teacher salaries under subsection (b), the department shall submit in both a written and an electronic format a notice to the school corporation's:
 - (1) superintendent;
 - (2) school business officer; and
 - (3) governing body;
- that the school corporation failed to meet the requirements set forth in subsection (b) for the applicable state fiscal year.
- (f) If a school corporation's governing body receives a notice from the department under subsection (e), the school corporation



1	shall do the following:
2	(1) Publicly acknowle
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4	(2) Enter into the gove
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6	notice.
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9	(A) the department
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11	department.
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14	subsection (e) has met the
15	under subsection (b) for a s
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18	(1) notices the school c
19	(e); and
20	(2) relevant individual
21	under subsection (f)(3)
22	SECTION 15. IC 20-28-9
23	SECTION 37, IS AMENDED
24	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 28. (a) F

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 - reports prepared by the department

-28, AS AMENDED BY P.L.246-2023, TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE For each school year in a state fiscal year beginning after June 30, 2023, a school corporation shall expend an amount for teacher compensation that is not less than an amount equal to sixty-two percent (62%) of the state tuition support distributed to the school corporation during the state fiscal year. For purposes of determining whether a school corporation has complied with this requirement, the amount a school corporation expends for teacher compensation shall include the amount the school corporation expends for adjunct teachers, supplemental pay for teachers, stipends, and for participating in a special education cooperative or an interlocal agreement or consortium that is directly attributable to the compensation of teachers employed by the cooperative or interlocal agreement or consortium. Teacher benefits include all benefit categories collected by the department for Form 9 purposes.

- (b) If a school corporation determines that the school corporation cannot comply with the requirement under subsection (a) for a particular school year, the school corporation shall apply for a waiver from the department.
 - (c) The waiver application must include an explanation of the



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1	financial challenges, with detailed data, that preclude the school
2	corporation from meeting the requirement under subsection (a) and
3	describe the cost saving measures taken by the school corporation in
4	attempting to meet the requirement in subsection (a). The waiver may
5	also include an explanation of an innovative or efficient approach in
6	delivering instruction that is responsible for the school corporation
7	being unable to meet the requirement under subsection (a).
8	(d) If, after review, the department determines that the school
9	corporation has exhausted all reasonable efforts in attempting to meet
10	the requirement in subsection (a), the department may grant the school
11	corporation a one (1) year exception from the requirement.
12	(e) A school corporation that receives a waiver under this section
13	shall work with the department to develop a plan to identify additional
14	cost saving measures and any other steps that may be taken to allow the
15	school corporation to meet the requirement under subsection (a).

- (f) A school corporation may not receive more than three (3) waivers under this section.
- (g) (b) Before November 1, 2022, and before November 1 of each year thereafter, the department shall submit a report to the legislative council in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6 and the state budget committee that contains information as to:
 - (1) the percent and amount that each school corporation expended and the statewide total expended for teacher compensation;
 - (2) the percent and amount that each school corporation expended and statewide total expended for teacher benefits, including health, dental, life insurance, and pension benefits; and
 - (3) whether the school corporation met the requirement set forth in subsection (a). and
 - (4) whether the school corporation received a waiver under subsection (d).
- (c) The department shall publish the report described in subsection (b) on the department's website.
- (d) Beginning after June 30, 2024, for each state fiscal year that a school corporation fails to expend the amount for teacher compensation as required under subsection (a), the department shall submit in both a written and an electronic format a notice to the school corporation's:
 - (1) superintendent;
 - (2) school business officer; and
- 40 (3) governing body;
 - that the school corporation failed to meet the requirements set forth in subsection (a) for the applicable state fiscal year.



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1	(e) If a school corporation's governing body receives a notice
2	from the department under subsection (d), the school corporation
3	shall do the following:
4	(1) Publicly acknowledge receipt of the notice from the
5	department at the governing body's next public meeting.
6	(2) Enter into the governing body's official minutes for the
7	meeting described in subdivision (1) acknowledgment of the
8	notice.
9	(3) Not later than thirty (30) days after the meeting described
10	in subdivision (1), publish on the school corporation's website:
11	(A) the department's notice; and
12	(B) any relevant individual reports prepared by the
13	department.
14	(f) If the department determines a school corporation that
15	received one (1) or more notices from the department under
16	subsection (d) has met the expenditure requirements required
17	under subsection (a) for a subsequent state fiscal year, the school
18	corporation may remove from the school corporation's website
19	any:
20	(1) notices the school corporation received under subsection
21	(d); and
22	(2) relevant individual reports prepared by the department
23	under subsection (e)(3).
24	SECTION 16. IC 20-30-2-2.2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.147-2020,
25	SECTION 6, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
26	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 2.2. (a) As used in this section, "eligible student"
27	means a student in grade 11 or 12 who: has:
28	(1) failed the graduation exam (before July 1, 2022) or is not on
29	track to complete a postsecondary readiness competency;
30	(2) has been determined to be chronically absent, by missing ten
31	percent (10%) or more of a school year for any reason;
32	(3) has been determined to be a habitual truant, as identified
33	under IC 20-33-2-11;
34	(4) has been significantly behind in credits for graduation, as
35	identified by an individual's school principal;
36	(5) has previously undergone at least a second suspension from
37	school for the school year under IC 20-33-8-14 or IC 20-33-8-15;
38	(6) has previously undergone an expulsion from school under
39	IC 20-33-8-14, IC 20-33-8-15, or IC 20-33-8-16; or
40	(7) has been determined by the individual's principal and the
41	individual's parent or guardian to benefit by participating in the
42	school flex program.



(b) An eligible student who participates in a school flex program

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2	must:
3	(1) attend school for at least three (3) hours of instructional time
4	per school day;
5	(2) pursue a timely graduation;
6	(3) provide evidence of college or technical career education
7	enrollment and attendance or proof of employment and labor that
8	is aligned with the student's career academic sequence under rules
9	established by the bureau of youth employment;
10	(4) not be suspended or expelled while participating in a school
11	flex program;
12	(5) pursue course and credit requirements for an Indiana diploma
13	with a general designation; and
14	(6) maintain a ninety-five percent (95%) attendance rate.
15	(c) A school may allow an eligible student in grade 11 or 12 to
16	complete an instructional day that consists of three (3) hours of
17	instructional time if the student participates in the school flex program.
18	SECTION 17. IC 20-30-4-6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.9-2021,
19	SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
20	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 6. (a) A student's school counselor shall, in
21	consultation with the student and the student's parent, review annually
22	a student's graduation plan that was developed under section 2 of this
23	chapter to determine if the student is progressing toward fulfillment of
24	the graduation plan.
25	(b) If a student is not progressing toward fulfillment of the
26	graduation plan, the school counselor shall provide counseling services
27	for the purpose of advising the student of credit recovery options and
28	services available to help the student progress toward graduation.
29	(c) If a student is not progressing toward fulfillment of the
30	graduation plan due to not achieving a passing score on the graduation
31	examination (before July 1, 2022) or failing to meet a postsecondary
32	readiness competency established by the state board under
33	IC 20-32-4-1.5(c), the school counselor shall meet with the:
34	(1) teacher assigned to the student for remediation for the
35	particular competency area;
36	(2) parents of the student; and
37	(3) student;
38	to discuss available remediation and to plan to meet the requirements
39	under IC 20-32-4.
40	SECTION 18. IC 20-30-5-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.192-2018,
41	SECTION 16, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
42	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 2. (a) Each public and nonpublic high school shall



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1	provide a required course that is:
2	(1) not less than one (1) year of school work; and
3	(2) in the:
4	(A) historical;
5	(B) political;
6	(C) civic;
7	(D) sociological;
8	(E) economical; and
9	(F) philosophical;
10	aspects of the constitutions of Indiana and the United States.
11	(b) The state board shall:
12	(1) prescribe the course described in this section and the course's
13	appropriate outlines; and
14	(2) adopt the necessary curricular materials for uniform
15	instruction.
16	(c) Except as provided in subsection (d) and IC 20-32-4-13, a high
17	school student may not receive an Indiana diploma unless the student
18	has successfully completed the interdisciplinary course described in
19	this section.
20	(d) If the state board establishes competency based
21	requirements as part of a diploma established under IC 20-19-2-21
22	that cover the course content described in subsection (a), a student
23	may satisfy the requirement under subsection (c) by obtaining the
24	diploma.
25	SECTION 19. IC 20-30-5-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.43-2021,
26	SECTION 97, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
27	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 4. (a) Each public school and nonpublic school
28	shall provide within the two (2) weeks preceding a general election for
29	all students in grades 6 through 12 five (5) full recitation periods of
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30	class discussion concerning:
31	class discussion concerning: (1) the system of government in Indiana and in the United States;
31	(1) the system of government in Indiana and in the United States;
31 32	(1) the system of government in Indiana and in the United States;(2) methods of voting;
31 32 33	(1) the system of government in Indiana and in the United States;(2) methods of voting;(3) party structures;
31 32 33 34	(1) the system of government in Indiana and in the United States;(2) methods of voting;(3) party structures;(4) election laws; and
31 32 33 34 35	 (1) the system of government in Indiana and in the United States; (2) methods of voting; (3) party structures; (4) election laws; and (5) the responsibilities of citizen participation in government and
31 32 33 34 35 36	 (1) the system of government in Indiana and in the United States; (2) methods of voting; (3) party structures; (4) election laws; and (5) the responsibilities of citizen participation in government and in elections.
31 32 33 34 35 36 37	 (1) the system of government in Indiana and in the United States; (2) methods of voting; (3) party structures; (4) election laws; and (5) the responsibilities of citizen participation in government and in elections. (b) Except as provided in subsection (d) and IC 20-32-4-13, a
31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38	 (1) the system of government in Indiana and in the United States; (2) methods of voting; (3) party structures; (4) election laws; and (5) the responsibilities of citizen participation in government and in elections. (b) Except as provided in subsection (d) and IC 20-32-4-13, a student may not receive an Indiana diploma unless the student has



The general assembly may examine these reports.

1	(d) If the state board establishes competency based
2	requirements as part of a diploma established under IC 20-19-2-21
3	that cover the content in the American history course required
4	under subsection (b), a student may satisfy the requirement under
5	subsection (b) by obtaining the diploma.
6	SECTION 20. IC 20-30-5-19, AS AMENDED BY P.L.168-2023,
7	SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
8	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 19. (a) Each school corporation, charter school,
9	and state accredited nonpublic school shall include in its curriculum for
10	all high school students enrolled in grade 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12
11	instruction concerning personal financial responsibility.
12	(b) A school corporation, a charter school, and a state accredited
13	nonpublic school must meet the requirements of subsection (a) by
14	providing instruction on personal financial responsibility as a separate
15	subject that addresses the following content areas:
16 17	(1) Basic principles of:
18	(A) money management, such as:
19	(i) spending and saving;
20	(ii) types of bank accounts;
21	(iii) opening and managing a bank account; and(iv) assessing the quality of a depository institution's
22	services;
23	,
24	(B) debt management;
25	(C) receiving an inheritance and related implications;
26	(D) savings, retirement, and investment accounts;(E) federal and state income tax returns; and
27	(F) local tax assessments.
28	(2) Personal insurance policies.
29	(3) Loan applications.
30	(4) Interest rate computations.
31	(5) Credit and credit scores.
32	(6) Simple contracts.
33	(c) The state board shall adopt a curriculum that ensures personal
34	financial responsibility is taught:
35	(1) in accordance with the requirements of subsection (b); and
36	(2) as a separate subject;
37	as determined by the state board.
38	(d) This subsection applies to an individual who is a student in a
39	cohort that is expected to graduate in 2028 or thereafter from a school
40	described in subsection (a). Beginning in 2028, an individual to whom
41	this subsection applies must successfully complete instruction on

personal financial responsibility, as described in subsection (b), as a



1	separate subject to be eligible to graduate from high school.
2	(e) The state board may allow a personal financial responsibility
3	course described in this section to satisfy one (1) or more diploma
4	course or competency requirements.
5	SECTION 21. IC 20-30-5-23, AS AMENDED BY P.L.76-2020
6	SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
7	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 23. (a) After June 30, 2021, Each public high
8	school, including each charter school, shall offer at least one (1)
9	computer science course as a one (1) semester elective in the public
10	high school's curriculum at least once each school year for high school
11	students. This subsection expires July 1, 2028.
12	(b) After June 30, 2021, After June 30, 2028, each public high
13	school, including each charter school, shall offer at least once each
14	school year at least one (1) computer science course as a separate
15	subject in the public high school's curriculum that:
16	(1) satisfies the computer science instruction conten
17	requirements; and
18	(2) beginning in 2029, enables high school students to
19	successfully complete instruction on computer science to be
20	eligible to graduate from high school under the requirements
21	set forth in IC 20-32-4-18.
22	(c) Each public school, including each charter school, shall include
23	computer science in the public school's curriculum for students in
24	kindergarten through grade 12. Before July 1, 2028, a public high
25	school fulfills the requirements under this subsection by meeting the
26	requirements under subsection (a). After June 30, 2028, a public high
27	school fulfills the requirements under this subsection by meeting
28	the requirements under subsection (b).
29	(c) (d) If a public school fails to comply with this section, the
30	department shall assist the public school in meeting the requirements
31	under this section.
32	(d) (e) The department shall:
33	(1) prepare an annual report concerning the implementation of
34	computer science courses in public high schools, including
35	charter schools, that includes the information described in
36	subsection (e); (f); and
37	(2) submit, before December 1 of each year, the report to the
38	following:
39	(A) The state board.
40	(B) The general assembly.
41	(C) The commission for higher education.

The department shall submit the written report to the general assembly



1	in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.
2	(e) (f) The report under subsection (d) (e) must include the
3	following information:
4	(1) The total number and percentage of computer science unique
5	student course enrollments and course completions for each:
6	(A) public elementary school, including each charter
7	school, for students in grade 8; and
8	(B) public high school, including each charter school; and
9	by each course title approved by the department.
10	(2) The number and percentage of unique student enrollments and
11	course completions in a computer science course by each course
12	title approved by the department and disaggregated by:
13	(A) race;
14	(B) gender;
15	(C) grade;
16	(D) ethnicity;
17	(E) limited English language proficiency;
18	(F) free or reduced price lunch status; and
19	(G) eligibility for special education.
20	(3) The number of computer science instructors at each school
21	disaggregated by:
22	(A) gender;
23	(B) certification, if applicable; and
24	(C) academic degree.
25	(4) Any other pertinent matters.
26	(f) (g) The department shall post the report described in subsections
27	(d) (e) and (e) (f) on the department's Internet web site. website.
28	SECTION 22. IC 20-30-8.5-13, AS ADDED BY P.L.86-2020
29	SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
30	JUNE 29, 2024]: Sec. 13. This chapter expires June 30, 2024. 2026.
31	SECTION 23. IC 20-31-3-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.250-2023
32	SECTION 33, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
33	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 3. (a) The department shall revise and update
34	academic standards:
35	(1) for each grade level from kindergarten through grade 12; and
36	(2) in each subject area listed in section 2 of this chapter;
37	at least once every six (6) years in addition to the requirements
38	described in section 1(c) and 1(d) of this chapter. This revision must
39	occur on a cyclical basis.
40	(b) The department, in revising and updating academic standards
41	under subsection (a), shall do the following:
42	(1) Consider the skills, knowledge, and practices:



1	(A) that are necessary to understand and utilize emerging
2	technologies; and
3	(B) that may be rendered obsolete by emerging technologies
4	(2) Consider for removal any academic standards that may be
5	obsolete as a result of emerging technologies.
6	(3) Provide support to school corporations regarding the
7	implementation of revised and updated academic standards tha
8	have an emerging technologies component.
9	(4) Consider integrating computer science standards into a
10	subject area being revised.
11	(5) Consider integrating data literacy and data science
12	standards into a subject area being revised.
13	SECTION 24. IC 20-31-3-6, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005
14	SECTION 15, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
15	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 6. The curriculum program of each grade level
16	from kindergarten through grade 12 in a school in a school corporation
17	must be consistent with the following standards:
18	(1) The academic standards developed under this chapter.
19	(2) The student competencies developed for the Core 40 college
20	preparation curriculum models established under IC 20-30-10 or
21	diploma requirements established under IC 20-19-2-21.
22	SECTION 25. IC 20-31-8-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.211-2021
23	SECTION 21, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
24	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 1. (a) The performance of a school's students or
25	the statewide assessment program test and other criterion referenced
26	benchmark assessments recommended by the department of education
27	and approved by the state board are the primary and majority means or
28	assessing a school's improvement. The state board may, and is
29	encouraged to, incorporate social studies and science as indicators for
30	assessing school improvement.
31	(b) The department of education shall examine and make
32	recommendations to the state board concerning:
33	(1) performance indicators to be used as a secondary means of
34	determining school progress;
35	(2) expected progress levels, continuous improvement measures
36	distributional performance levels, and absolute performance
37	levels for schools; and
38	(3) an orderly transition from the performance based accreditation
39	system to the assessment system set forth in this article.
40	(c) The department of education shall consider methods of
41	measuring improvement and progress used in other states in developing
42	recommendations under this section.



1	(d) The department of education may consider:
2	(1) the likelihood that a student may fail a graduation exam
3	(before July 1, 2022) or fail to meet a postsecondary readiness
4	competency established by the state board under
5	IC 20-32-4-1.5(c) and require a graduation waiver under
6	IC 20-32-4-4, IC 20-32-4-4.1 or IC 20-32-4-5; and
7	(2) remedial needs of students who are likely to require remedia
8	work while the students attend a postsecondary educationa
9	institution or workforce training program;
10	when making recommendations under this section.
11	SECTION 26. IC 20-32-4-1.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.160-2023
12	SECTION 10, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
13	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 1.5. (a) This subsection expires July 1, 2022
14	Except as provided in subsection (f) and sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10
15	of this chapter, each student is required to meet:
16	(1) the academic standards tested in the graduation examination
17	(2) the Core 40 course and credit requirements adopted by the
18	state board under IC 20-30-10; and
19	(3) any additional requirements established by the governing
20	body;
21	to be eligible to graduate.
22	(b) (a) Except as provided in subsection (f) and sections 4, 4.1, 5
23	6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 of this chapter, beginning with the class of students
24	who expect to graduate during the 2022-2023 school year, each studen
25	shall:
26	(1) demonstrate college or career readiness through a pathway
27	established by the state board, in consultation with the departmen
28	of workforce development and the commission for higher
29	education;
30	(2) meet the Core 40 course and credit requirements adopted by
31	the state board under IC 20-30-10; and
32	(3) subject to section 1.8 of this chapter, meet any additiona
33	requirements established by the governing body;
34	to be eligible to graduate. This subsection expires October 1, 2028.
35	(b) Except as provided in subsection (f) and sections 4.1, 5, 6, 7
36	8, 9, and 10 of this chapter, beginning with the class of students
37	who expect to graduate during the 2028-2029 school year, each
38	student shall:
39	(1) demonstrate college and career readiness through a
40	pathway established by the state board, in consultation with
41	the department of workforce development and the
42	commission for higher education;



1	(2) meet the Indiana diploma requirements established by the
2	state board under IC 20-19-2-21; and
3	(3) subject to section 1.8 of this chapter, meet any additional
4	requirements established by the governing body;
5	to be eligible to graduate.
6 7	(c) The state board shall establish graduation pathway requirements
8	under subsection subsections (a)(1) (before its expiration) and (b)(1) in consultation with the department of workforce development and the
9	commission for higher education. A graduation pathway requirement
10	
11	may include the following postsecondary readiness competencies
12	approved by the state board:
13	(1) International baccalaureate exams.
	(2) Nationally recognized college entrance assessments.
14	(3) Advanced placement exams.
15	(4) Assessments necessary to receive college credit for dual credit
16	courses.
17	(5) Industry recognized certificates.
18	(6) The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery.
19	(7) Cambridge International exams.
20	(8) Any other competency approved by the state board.
21	(d) If the state board establishes a nationally recognized college
22	entrance exam as a graduation pathway requirement, the nationally
23	recognized college entrance exam must be offered to a student at the
24	school in which the student is enrolled and during the normal school
25	day.
26	(e) When an apprenticeship is established as a graduation pathway
27	requirement, the state board shall establish as an apprenticeship only
28	an apprenticeship program registered under the federal National
29	Apprenticeship Act (29 U.S.C. 50 et seq.) or another federal
30	apprenticeship program administered by the United States Department
31	of Labor.
32	(f) Notwithstanding subsection (a), A school corporation, charter
33	school, or state accredited nonpublic school may voluntarily elect to
34	use graduation pathways the Indiana diplomas described in
35	subsection (b) in lieu of the graduation examination Core 40 course
36	and credit requirements specified in subsection (a) prior to July 1,
37	2022. October 1, 2028.
38	(g) The state board, in consultation with the department of
39	workforce development and the commission for higher education, shall
40	approve college and career pathways relating to career and technical
41	education, including sequences of courses leading to student



concentrators.

1	(h) After June 30, 2021, The department may provide funding for
2	students of accredited schools to take not more than three (3)
3	Cambridge International exams per student. The department is also
4	authorized to use funds to provide professional development training
5	for teachers who teach Cambridge International courses.
6	(i) If the state board establishes an Armed Services Vocational
7	Aptitude Battery as a graduation pathway, the state board shall require
8	a student who elects the pathway to submit documentation, on a form
9	prescribed by the department, that demonstrates the student's intent to
10	enlist in the military as a condition of meeting the pathway
11	requirements.
12	SECTION 27. IC 20-32-4-4.1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.92-2020,
13	SECTION 74, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
14	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 4.1. (a) Subject to subsection (b), a student may
15	receive a waiver from the postsecondary readiness competency
16	requirements established under section 1.5(c) of this chapter:
17	(1) if:
18	(A) the student was unsuccessful in completing a
19	postsecondary readiness competency requirement established
20	by the state board under section 1.5(c) of this chapter by the
21	conclusion of the student's senior year, after the completion
22	of eight (8) high school semesters, including a student who
22 23	of eight (8) high school semesters, including a student who was in the process of completing a competency at one (1)
23	was in the process of completing a competency at one (1)
23 24	was in the process of completing a competency at one (1) school that was not offered by the school to which the student
23 24 25	was in the process of completing a competency at one (1) school that was not offered by the school to which the student transferred; and
23 24 25 26	was in the process of completing a competency at one (1) school that was not offered by the school to which the student transferred; and (B) the student attempted to achieve at least three (3) separate
23 24 25 26 27	was in the process of completing a competency at one (1) school that was not offered by the school to which the student transferred; and (B) the student attempted to achieve at least three (3) separate postsecondary readiness competencies established by the state
23 24 25 26 27 28	was in the process of completing a competency at one (1) school that was not offered by the school to which the student transferred; and (B) the student attempted to achieve at least three (3) separate postsecondary readiness competencies established by the state board under section 1.5(c) of this chapter; or
23 24 25 26 27 28 29	was in the process of completing a competency at one (1) school that was not offered by the school to which the student transferred; and (B) the student attempted to achieve at least three (3) separate postsecondary readiness competencies established by the state board under section 1.5(c) of this chapter; or (2) if a student transfers to a school subject to the requirements of
23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	was in the process of completing a competency at one (1) school that was not offered by the school to which the student transferred; and (B) the student attempted to achieve at least three (3) separate postsecondary readiness competencies established by the state board under section 1.5(c) of this chapter; or (2) if a student transfers to a school subject to the requirements of this chapter during the student's senior year from a nonaccredited
23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	was in the process of completing a competency at one (1) school that was not offered by the school to which the student transferred; and (B) the student attempted to achieve at least three (3) separate postsecondary readiness competencies established by the state board under section 1.5(c) of this chapter; or (2) if a student transfers to a school subject to the requirements of this chapter during the student's senior year from a nonaccredited nonpublic school that has less than one (1) employee or a school
23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32	was in the process of completing a competency at one (1) school that was not offered by the school to which the student transferred; and (B) the student attempted to achieve at least three (3) separate postsecondary readiness competencies established by the state board under section 1.5(c) of this chapter; or (2) if a student transfers to a school subject to the requirements of this chapter during the student's senior year from a nonaccredited nonpublic school that has less than one (1) employee or a school out of state and the student:
23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33	was in the process of completing a competency at one (1) school that was not offered by the school to which the student transferred; and (B) the student attempted to achieve at least three (3) separate postsecondary readiness competencies established by the state board under section 1.5(c) of this chapter; or (2) if a student transfers to a school subject to the requirements of this chapter during the student's senior year from a nonaccredited nonpublic school that has less than one (1) employee or a school out of state and the student: (A) attempted to achieve at least one (1) postsecondary
23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34	was in the process of completing a competency at one (1) school that was not offered by the school to which the student transferred; and (B) the student attempted to achieve at least three (3) separate postsecondary readiness competencies established by the state board under section 1.5(c) of this chapter; or (2) if a student transfers to a school subject to the requirements of this chapter during the student's senior year from a nonaccredited nonpublic school that has less than one (1) employee or a school out of state and the student: (A) attempted to achieve at least one (1) postsecondary readiness competency requirement established by the state
23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35	was in the process of completing a competency at one (1) school that was not offered by the school to which the student transferred; and (B) the student attempted to achieve at least three (3) separate postsecondary readiness competencies established by the state board under section 1.5(c) of this chapter; or (2) if a student transfers to a school subject to the requirements of this chapter during the student's senior year from a nonaccredited nonpublic school that has less than one (1) employee or a school out of state and the student: (A) attempted to achieve at least one (1) postsecondary readiness competency requirement established by the state board under section 1.5(c) of this chapter; and
23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36	was in the process of completing a competency at one (1) school that was not offered by the school to which the student transferred; and (B) the student attempted to achieve at least three (3) separate postsecondary readiness competencies established by the state board under section 1.5(c) of this chapter; or (2) if a student transfers to a school subject to the requirements of this chapter during the student's senior year from a nonaccredited nonpublic school that has less than one (1) employee or a school out of state and the student: (A) attempted to achieve at least one (1) postsecondary readiness competency requirement established by the state board under section 1.5(c) of this chapter; and (B) was unsuccessful in completing the attempted
23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37	was in the process of completing a competency at one (1) school that was not offered by the school to which the student transferred; and (B) the student attempted to achieve at least three (3) separate postsecondary readiness competencies established by the state board under section 1.5(c) of this chapter; or (2) if a student transfers to a school subject to the requirements of this chapter during the student's senior year from a nonaccredited nonpublic school that has less than one (1) employee or a school out of state and the student: (A) attempted to achieve at least one (1) postsecondary readiness competency requirement established by the state board under section 1.5(c) of this chapter; and (B) was unsuccessful in completing the attempted postsecondary readiness competency described in clause (A).

the student's high school career in courses comprising credits



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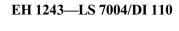
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required for the student to graduate;

1	(2) maintain a school attendance rate of at least ninety-five
2	percent (95%) with excused absences not counting against the
3	student's attendance;
4	(3) satisfy all other state and local graduation requirements
5	beyond the postsecondary readiness competency requirements
6	established by the state board under section 1.5(c) of this chapter;
7	and
8	(4) demonstrate postsecondary planning, including:
9	(A) college acceptance;
10	(B) acceptance in an occupational training program;
11	(C) workforce entry; or
12	(D) military enlistment;
13	that is approved by the principal of the student's school.
14	SECTION 28. IC 20-32-4-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.192-2018,
15	SECTION 29, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
16	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 5. (a) This section applies to a student who is a
17	student with a disability (as defined in IC 20-35-1-8).
18	(b) If the student does not achieve a passing score on the graduation
19	examination (before July 1, 2022) or fails to meet a postsecondary
20	readiness competency requirement established by the state board under
21	section 1.5(c) of this chapter, the student's case conference committee
22	may determine that the student is eligible to graduate if the case
23	conference committee finds the following:
24	(1) The student's teacher of record, in consultation with a teacher
25	of the student in each subject area in which the student has not
26	achieved a passing score on the graduation exam (before July 1,
27	2022) or successfully completed a postsecondary readiness
28	competency established by the state board under section 1.5(c) of
29	this chapter, makes a written recommendation to the case
30	conference committee. The recommendation must:
31	(A) be aligned with the governing body's relevant policy;
32	(B) be concurred in by the principal of the student's school;
33	and
34	(C) be supported by documentation that the student has
35	attained the academic standard in the subject area based on:
36	(i) tests or competencies other than the graduation
37	examination (before July 1, 2022) or postsecondary
38	readiness competencies established by the state board under
39	section 1.5(c) of this chapter; or
40	(ii) classroom work.
41	(2) The student meets all the following requirements:
42	(A) Retakes the graduation examination in each subject area



1	in which the student did not achieve a passing score as often
2	as required by the student's individualized education program.
3	This clause expires July 1, 2022.
4	(B) (A) Completes remediation opportunities provided to the
5	student by the student's school to the extent required by the
6	student's individualized education program.
7	(C) (B) Maintains a school attendance rate of at least
8	ninety-five percent (95%) to the extent required by the
9	student's individualized education program with excused
10	absences not counting against the student's attendance.
11	(D) (C) Maintains at least a "C" average or the equivalent in
12	the courses comprising the credits specifically required for
13	graduation by rule of the state board.
14	(E) (D) Otherwise satisfies all state and local graduation
15	requirements.
16	SECTION 29. IC 20-32-4-9, AS AMENDED BY P.L.192-2018,
17	SECTION 32, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
18	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 9. This section applies to a student who receives
19	a score on the graduation examination (before July 1, 2022) or an exam
20	used to satisfy a postsecondary readiness competency established by
21	the state board under section 1.5(c) of this chapter that is in the
22	twenty-fifth percentile or lower when the student takes the graduation
23	examination (before July 1, 2022) or an exam used to satisfy a
24	postsecondary readiness competency established by the state board
25	under section 1.5(c) of this chapter for the first time. Except as
26	provided in section 10 of this chapter, the student's parent and the
27	student's counselor (or another staff member who assists students in
28	course selection) shall meet to discuss the student's progress. Following
29	the meeting, the student's parent shall determine whether the student
30	will achieve greater educational benefits by:
31	(1) continuing in the Core 40 curriculum; or
32	(2) completing the general curriculum.
33	SECTION 30. IC 20-32-4-14, AS AMENDED BY P.L.160-2023,
34	SECTION 13, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
35	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 14. (a) The state board shall create an alternate
36	diploma for students with significant cognitive disabilities. The
37	diploma must be:
38	(1) standards-based; and
39	(2) aligned with Indiana's requirements for an Indiana diploma.
40	(b) The alternate diploma must comply with the federal Every



Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) (20 U.S.C. 6311).

(c) For purposes of determining a school's or school corporation's



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graduation rate under IC 20-26-13 or 511 IAC 6.2-10, not more than

2	one percent (11%) of a school's or school corporation's graduation cohort
3	that receives an alternate diploma may be counted as having graduated.
4	(c) For purposes of determining a school's or school
5	corporation's graduation rate under IC 20-26-13 or 511
6	IAC 6.2-10, not more than the greater of:
7	(1) one percent (1%) of a school's or school corporation's
8	graduation cohort that receives an alternate diploma; or
9	(2) one (1) student;
10	may be counted as having graduated.
11	(d) Not later than December 1, 2021, the state board shall adopt
12	rules under IC 4-22-2 that are necessary to carry out this section.
13	SECTION 31. IC 20-32-4-18 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
14	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
15	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 18. (a) This section applies to an
16	individual who is a student in a cohort that is expected to graduate
17	in 2029 or thereafter from a:
18	(1) public school, including a charter school; or
19	(2) state accredited nonpublic school.
20	(b) Beginning in 2029, in addition to completing the graduation
21	requirements set forth in this article, an individual must
22	successfully complete instruction on computer science as a separate
23	subject to be eligible to graduate from high school. The computer
24	science instruction must:
25	(1) to the extent feasible, be taught in person; and
26	(2) cover the following:
27	(A) Algorithms and programming.
28	(B) Computing systems.
29	(C) Data and analysis.
30	(D) Impacts of computing.
31	(E) Networks and the Internet.
32	(c) Each school described in subsection (a) shall certify to the
33	department that the individual has successfully completed
34	instruction on computer science before the individual may
35	graduate.
36	(d) The state board may allow a computer science course
37	described in this section, including a computer science course taken
38	in grade 8, to satisfy one (1) or more diploma course requirements.
39	SECTION 32. IC 20-32-5.1-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.192-2018,
40	SECTION 36, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
41	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 3. The Indiana's Learning Evaluation Assessment
42	Readiness Network (ILEARN) program consists of:



1	(1) a the statewide assessment program described in section 7 of
2	this chapter;
3	(2) optional benchmark assessments described in section 17 of
4	this chapter;
5	(3) requirements to integrate statewide assessment literacy
6	described in section 18 of this chapter; and
7	(4) any programs or policies approved by the state board that are
8	necessary to carry out this chapter.
9	SECTION 33. IC 20-32-5.1-4, AS ADDED BY P.L.242-2017,
10	SECTION 41, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
11	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 4. To carry out the purposes described in section
12	2 of this chapter:
13	(1) assessment reporting for assessments developed under this
14	chapter must be:
15	(A) reliable;
16	(B) accurate;
17	(C) user friendly; and
18	(D) timely;
19	(2) the statewide assessment program must help students
20	understand their college and career readiness; and
21	(3) the statewide assessment program must hold schools
22	accountable for preparing students for college and careers.
23	SECTION 34. IC 20-32-5.1-6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.43-2021,
24	SECTION 105, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
25	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 6. (a) The state board shall:
26	(1) authorize and oversee the department's development and
27	implementation of the Indiana's Learning Evaluation Assessment
28	Readiness Network (ILEARN) program, including:
29	(A) establishment of criteria for requests for proposals for
30	statewide assessments developed or authorized under this
31	chapter;
32	(B) establishment of criteria for membership of evaluation
33	teams; and
34	(C) establishment of criteria for content and format of the
35	statewide assessment; and
36	(2) require the department to conduct ongoing analysis of whether
37	the statewide assessment program's results are predictive of
38	success in college and career training programs.
39	(b) The passing scores on a statewide summative assessment must
40	be determined by statistically valid and reliable methods as determined
41	by independent experts selected by the state board.
42	(c) The state board, in consultation with The Arc of Indiana and



- Indiana Council of Administrators of Special Education (ICASE), shall select one (1) or more individuals who specialize in special education who shall, in turn, be consulted with by the state board as part of the state board's oversight of the development and implementation of the Indiana's Learning Evaluation Assessment Readiness Network (ILEARN) program.
- (d) The secretary of education, with the approval of the state board, is responsible for the development, implementation, and monitoring of the Indiana's Learning Evaluation Assessment Readiness Network (ILEARN) program.
- (e) The department shall prepare detailed design specifications for the statewide assessment **program** developed under this chapter that must do the following:
 - (1) Take into account the academic standards adopted under IC 20-31-3.
 - (2) Include testing of students' higher level cognitive thinking in each subject area tested.
- (f) A statewide **summative** assessment described in section 7 of this chapter may be in a form that allows the department and the state board, to the extent possible, to compare the proficiency of Indiana students to the proficiency of students in other states. A statewide **summative** assessment may consist of original test items for Indiana's exclusive use if the state board determines that:
 - (1) developing original test items for Indiana's exclusive use will result in cost savings; or
 - (2) it would be impractical to develop a statewide **summative** assessment adequately aligned to Indiana's academic standards without including original test items developed for Indiana's exclusive use.
- SECTION 35. IC 20-32-5.1-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.11-2023, SECTION 67, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 7. (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section and in the manner provided in section 6 of this chapter, the state board is responsible for determining the appropriate subjects, grades, and format of **a the** statewide assessment **program.**
- (b) For each school year beginning after June 30, 2018, and except as provided in section 11 of this chapter, the statewide assessment **program** must be administered to all full-time students attending a school corporation, charter school, state accredited nonpublic school, or eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) in grades subject to the statewide **summative** assessment required by federal law and in a manner prescribed by the state board.



1	(c) Subject matter tested on by the statewide assessment program
2	as determined by the state board under subsection (a) must, at a
3	minimum, do the following:
4	(1) Comply with requirements established under federal law with:
5	(A) math and English/language arts assessed yearly in grades
6	3 through 8, and at least once in grades 9 through 12; and
7	(B) science assessed at least once in grades 3 through 5, grades
8	6 through 9, and grades 10 through 12.
9	(2) Require that United States history or United States
10	government be assessed at least once in grades 5 or 8.
11	(d) Except as provided under subsection (e), for each school year
12	beginning after June 30, 2021, a nationally recognized college entrance
13	exam must be administered for the high school subjects required under
14	subsection (c). The proficiency benchmark must be approved by the
15	commission for higher education, in consultation with the state
16	educational institutions, and may not be lower than the national college
17	ready benchmark established for that particular exam.
18	(e) If the state board determines that no nationally recognized
19	college entrance exam assesses a given high school subject that is
20	required under subsection (c), the state board may select another type
21	of assessment, including an end of course assessment, for that subject.
22	(f) The statewide assessment program:
23	(1) may not use technology that may negatively influence the
24	ability to measure a student's mastery of material or a particular
25	academic standard being tested; and
26	(2) may use a technology enhanced test question only when the
27	technology enhanced test question is the best way to measure the
28	academic standard being tested.
29	(g) A statewide summative assessment, other than an assessment
30	administered under subsection (d), must use a scale score that will
31	ensure the statewide summative assessment scores are comparable to
32	scale scores used as part of the ISTEP program under IC 20-32-5,
33	before its expiration.
34	SECTION 36. IC 20-32-5.1-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.192-2018,
35	SECTION 38, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
36	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 8. (a) Except as provided in subsection
37	subsections (b) and (c), the statewide summative assessment must be
38	administered in a single testing window that must take place at the end
39	of a school year on dates determined by the state board.
40	(b) If an end of course assessment is administered, the end of course
41	assessment may be administered at the end of the course for that



particular subject matter.

1	(c) If a through-year assessment program is administered, the
2	assessments making up the through-year assessment program may:
3	(1) be administered throughout the year in the manner
4	determined by the department; and
5	(2) include as one (1) of the assessments a single statewide
6	summative assessment that meets the requirements set forth
7	in subsection (a).
8	SECTION 37. IC 20-32-5.1-10, AS ADDED BY P.L.242-2017,
9	SECTION 41, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
10	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 10. (a) The governing body of each school
11	corporation or the equivalent authority for each charter school, eligible
12	school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7), or state accredited nonpublic
13	school is entitled to acquire at no charge from the department:
14	(1) the assessments under the statewide assessment program;
15	and
16	(2) the scoring reports used by the department.
17	(b) A state accredited nonpublic school or an eligible school (as
18	defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) shall:
19	(1) administer the statewide assessment program's assessment
20	or assessments, as applicable, to its students at the same time or
21	times that school corporations administer the program's test
22	assessment or assessments, as applicable, under section 7 of
23	this chapter; and
24	(2) make available to the department the results of the statewide
25	assessment program's assessment or assessments, as
26	applicable.
27	SECTION 38. IC 20-32-5.1-12, AS AMENDED BY P.L.139-2022,
28	SECTION 15, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
29	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 12. (a) The department shall establish policies and
30	procedures that foster, to the extent possible, the scoring of student
31	responses of an open ended writing assessment on a statewide
32	summative assessment by Indiana teachers. The teacher may not grade
33	student responses of students who are enrolled in the same school
34	corporation, charter school, state accredited nonpublic school, or
35	eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) in which the teacher is
36	currently employed.
37	(b) The scoring of student responses under a statewide summative
38	assessment:
39	(1) must adhere to scoring rubrics and anchor papers;
40	(2) must measure student achievement relative to the academic
41	standards established by the state board; and
42	(3) may not reflect the scorer's judgment of the values expressed



1	by a student in the student's responses.
2	(c) The department, in consultation with the technical advisory
3	committee established by the state board, shall conduct a study to
4	analyze and determine the reliability of machine scoring student
5	responses to items on the statewide summative assessment. After
6	conducting the study, the department may, if recommended by the
7	technical advisory committee, utilize machine scoring for purposes of
8	scoring student responses to items on the statewide summative
9	assessment.
10	SECTION 39. IC 20-32-5.1-13, AS AMENDED BY P.L.30-2023,
11	SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
12	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 13. (a) The proficiency of students under a
13	statewide summative assessment must be reported to the state board
14	not later than:
15	(1) for the 2018-2019 school year, August 15, 2019; and
16	(2) for each school year beginning after June 30, 2019, July 1 of
17	the year in which the statewide summative assessment is
18	administered.
19	(b) Reports of student scores on the statewide summative
20	assessment must be:
21	(1) returned to the school corporation, charter school, state
22	accredited nonpublic school, or eligible school (as defined in
23	IC 20-51-1-4.7) that administered the test; and
24	(2) accompanied by a guide for interpreting scores.
25	(c) Subject to approval by the state board, reports of student results
26	on computer scored items under a statewide summative assessment
27	may be returned to schools regardless of whether the hand scored items
28	are returned.
29	(d) After reports of final student scores on the statewide summative
30	assessment are returned to a school corporation, charter school, state
31	accredited nonpublic school, or eligible school (as defined in
32	IC 20-51-1-4.7), the school corporation or school shall promptly do the
33	following:
34	(1) Give each student and the student's parent the student's
35	statewide summative assessment test scores, including the
36	summary described in section 14.5 of this chapter.
37	(2) Make available for inspection to each student and the student's
38	parent the following:
39	(A) A copy of the student's scored responses.
40	(B) A copy of the anchor papers and scoring rubrics used to
41	score the student's responses.

A student's parent or the student's principal may request a rescoring of



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a student's responses to a statewide summative assessment, including a student's essay. A student's final score on a rescored statewide summative assessment must reflect the student's actual score on the rescored statewide summative assessment regardless of whether the student's score decreased or improved on the rescored assessment. (e) The department shall develop criteria to provide a student's parent the opportunity to inspect questions in a manner that will not
compromise the validity or integrity of a statewide summative assessment.
(f) A student's statewide summative assessment scores may not be disclosed to the public.
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- (g) The department may not release less than ten (10) items per subject matter per grade level. The state board and department shall:
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- (A) the questions; and
- (B) with the permission of each student's parent, student answers that are exemplary responses to the released questions:
- on the websites of the state board and department; and
- (2) publicize the availability of the questions and answers to schools, educators, and the public.

A student answer posted under this subsection may not identify the student who provided the answer.

SECTION 40. IC 20-32-5.1-14, AS AMENDED BY P.L.139-2022, SECTION 17, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 14. (a) After a school receives statewide summative assessment score reports, a teacher who currently teaches a student shall discuss with a parent of the student the student's statewide summative assessment results at the next parent/teacher conference if the parent participates in the parent/teacher conference. If a school does not hold parent/teacher conferences, a teacher who currently teaches a student shall send a notice to a parent of the student offering to meet with the parent to discuss the student's statewide summative assessment results and, upon the parent's request, meet with the parent.

(b) The department shall provide enrichment resources to parents and students to provide assistance to students in subject matter included in the student's most recently completed statewide summative assessment.

SECTION 41. IC 20-32-5.1-14.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.30-2023, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 14.5. For a contract entered into or renewed after



June 30, 2023, with a vendor to conduct the statewide **summative** assessment, the department shall include in the contract a requirement that the vendor provide a summary of a student's statewide **summative** assessment results that:

- (1) is in an easy to read, understandable format for parents; and
- (2) includes information regarding how the student's statewide **summative** assessment results compare to statewide **summative** assessment results of other students in the same grade level in Indiana.

SECTION 42. IC 20-32-5.1-15, AS ADDED BY P.L.242-2017, SECTION 41, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 15. (a) Each school corporation shall compile the total results of the statewide **summative** assessments in a manner that will permit evaluation of learning progress within the school corporation. The school corporation shall make the compilation of test results available for public inspection and shall provide that compilation to the parent of each student of the school corporation tested under the statewide **summative** assessment.

- (b) The school corporation shall provide the statewide **summative** assessment program test results on a school by school basis to the department upon request.
- (c) Upon request by the commission for higher education, the department shall provide statewide **summative** assessment results to the commission for those students for whom the commission under 20 U.S.C. 1232g has obtained consent.

SECTION 43. IC 20-32-5.1-17, AS AMENDED BY P.L.245-2023, SECTION 10, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 17. (a) The state board shall approve two (2) or more benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessments to identify students that require remediation and provide individualized instruction in which a school corporation, charter school, state accredited nonpublic school, or eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) may receive a grant under subsection (g).

- (b) For a benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessment described in subsection (a) that is administered to students in kindergarten through grade 2, the assessment must meet one (1) or more of the following:
 - (1) The assessment:
 - (A) focuses on English/language arts; and
 - (B) shows alignment, verified by a third party, to Indiana's academic standards for English/language arts domains, specifically foundational reading skills.



1	(2) The assessment is a universal screener that:
2	(A) meets the screening requirements listed in IC 20-35.5-2-2;
3	(B) measures foundational reading skills; and
4	(C) received a convincing or partially convincing rating for
5	accuracy, reliability, and validity by the National Center on
6	Intensive Intervention or a nationally recognized dyslexia
7	assessment expert.
8	(3) The assessment focuses on numeracy and shows alignment,
9	verified by a third party, to Indiana's academic standards for
10	mathematical domains, specifically:
11	(A) number sense;
12	(B) computation and algebraic thinking; and
13	(C) measurement.
14	(c) For a benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessment
15	described in subsection (a) that is administered to students in grades 3
16	through 7, the assessment must show alignment, verified by a third
17	party, to Indiana's academic standards.
18	(d) For a benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessment
19	described in subsection (a) that is administered to students in grades 8
20	through 10, the assessment must show alignment, verified by a third
21	party, to:
22	(1) Indiana's academic standards; or
23	(2) the nationally recognized college entrance exam required to be
24	administered under section 7 of this chapter.
25	(e) This subsection does not apply to an assessment that is a
26	universal screener described in subsection (b)(2). The majority of the
27	benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessment reporting must
28	indicate the degree to which students are on track for grade level
29	proficiency and college and career readiness. Approved assessments
30	must also provide predictive study results for student performance on
31	the statewide summative assessment under section 7 of this chapter,
32	not later than two (2) years after the statewide summative assessment
33	has been first administered.
34	(f) This subsection does not apply to an assessment that is a
35	universal screener described in subsection (b)(2). A school corporation,
36	charter school, state accredited nonpublic school, or eligible school (as
37	defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) may elect to administer a benchmark,
38	formative, interim, or similar assessment described in subsection (a).
39	If a school corporation, charter school, state accredited nonpublic
40	school, or eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) administers an
41	assessment described in subsection (a), the school corporation, charter

school, state accredited nonpublic school, or eligible school (as defined



in IC 20-51-1-4.7) may prescribe the time and the manner in which the assessment is administered.

- (g) If a school corporation, charter school, state accredited nonpublic school, or eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) elects to administer a benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessment described in subsection (a), the school corporation, charter school, state accredited nonpublic school, or eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) is entitled to receive a grant or reimbursement from the department in an amount not to exceed the cost of the assessment. The department shall provide grants and reimbursements to a school corporation, charter school, state accredited nonpublic school, or eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) under this section from money appropriated to the department for the purpose of carrying out this section.
- (h) The state board and the department may not contract with, approve, or endorse the use of a single vendor to provide benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessments for any grade level or levels of kindergarten through grade 7.
- (i) Before the state board may approve a benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessment described in subsection (a), the assessment vendor must enter into a data share agreement with the department in the manner prescribed by the department.

SECTION 44. IC 20-32-5.1-18, AS ADDED BY P.L.242-2017, SECTION 41, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 18. (a) The department, with the approval of the state board, shall develop and implement programs, policies, and procedures necessary to carry out this chapter to:

- (1) continuously improve teacher, student, parent, and community understanding of assessment results;
- (2) strategically use data and information from the assessment results to improve student growth and proficiency of all students; and
- (3) instruct teachers and administrators on how formative assessment practices can be used on a daily basis during class instruction; **and**
- (4) if a through-year assessment program is administered as described in section 8 of this chapter, advise teachers and administrators on how through-year assessment practices can inform teaching and learning.
- (b) The department shall establish requirements for teacher preparation programs (as described in IC 20-28-3-1(b)) under IC 20-28-3 to improve assessment literacy skills to improve a teacher



preparation program student's ability to strategically use data and information from assessment results to improve student growth and proficiency.

SECTION 45. IC 20-32-5.1-18.4, AS ADDED BY P.L.82-2020, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 18.4. Notwithstanding any other law, a student's score on the statewide **summative** assessment may not be the primary factor or measure used to determine whether a student is eligible for a particular course or program.

SECTION 46. IC 20-32-5.1-18.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.11-2023, SECTION 68, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 18.5. (a) The department shall, to the extent permitted under federal law, provide the same text-to-speech, screen reader, or human reader and calculator accommodations to a student in grades 6 through 12 on every section of the statewide **summative** assessment program if that accommodation is provided as part of the student's:

- (1) individualized education program;
- (2) service plan developed under 511 IAC 7-34;
- (3) choice special education plan developed under 511 IAC 7-49; or
- (4) plan developed under Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. 794.
- (b) The department must submit any guidance or recommendations the department plans to distribute to a school corporation or school that attempts to affect in any manner based on statewide **summative** assessment accommodations which instructional methods are included or excluded from a program or plan described in subsection (a) to the state board for approval.

SECTION 47. IC 20-32-8-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.10-2019, SECTION 86, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 4. The remediation grant program is established to provide grants to school corporations for the following:

- (1) Remediation of students who score below academic standards.
- (2) Preventive remediation for students who are at risk of falling below academic standards.
- (3) For students in a freeway school or freeway school corporation who are assessed under a locally adopted assessment program under IC 20-26-15-6(4):
 - (A) remediation of students who score below academic standards under the locally adopted assessment program; and
- (B) preventive remediation for students who are at risk of



1	falling below academic standards under the locally adopted
2	assessment program.
3	(4) Targeted instruction of students to:
4	(A) reduce the likelihood that a student may fail a graduation
5	exam (before July 1, 2022) or fail to meet a postsecondary
6	readiness competency established by the state board under
7	IC 20-32-4-1.5(c) and require a graduation waiver under
8	IC 20-32-4-4, IC 20-32-4-4.1 or IC 20-32-4-5; or
9	(B) minimize the necessity of remedial work of students while
10	the students attend postsecondary educational institutions or
11	workforce training programs.
12	SECTION 48. IC 20-32-9-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.192-2018,
13	SECTION 41, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
14	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 2. The guidelines established in section 1 of this
15	chapter:
16	(1) must provide standards and guidelines for secondary school
17	personnel to determine when a student requires remediation or
18	additional instruction, including guidelines that include:
19	(A) criteria and thresholds that must be based upon:
20	(i) the student's results or score on a national assessment of
21	college and career readiness, with thresholds determined by
22 23 24	the commission for higher education and the department in
23	consultation with the state educational institutions; or
24	(ii) the student's qualifying grades, which for purposes of
25	this section are a "B" or higher, in advanced placement,
26	international baccalaureate, or dual credit courses; and
27	(B) a description of the school official who may make a
28	determination based on the criteria to assess whether a student
29	requires remediation or additional instruction; and
30	(2) must provide information on strategies and resources that
31	schools can use to assist a student in achieving the level of
32	academic performance that is appropriate for the student's grade
33	level to:
34	(A) reduce the likelihood that a student will fail a graduation
35	exam (before July 1, 2022) or fail to meet a postsecondary
36	readiness competency established by the state board under
37	IC 20-32-4-1.5(c) and require a graduation waiver under
38	IC 20-32-4-4, IC 20-32-4-4.1 or IC 20-32-4-5; or
39	(B) minimize the necessity for postsecondary remedial course
40	work by the student.
41	SECTION 49. IC 20-33-2-13, AS AMENDED BY P.L.160-2023,
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1	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 13. (a) A school corporation shall record or
2	include the following information in the official high school transcript
3	for a student in high school:
4	(1) Attendance records.
5	(2) The student's latest statewide assessment program test results.
6	(3) Any secondary level and postsecondary level certificates of
7	achievement earned by the student.
8	(4) Any dual credit courses taken that are included in the core
9	transfer library under IC 21-42-5-4.
10	(b) The department shall consider ways to reflect a student's
11	knowledge, skills, competencies, and experiences on the student's
12	high school transcript in addition to completion of diploma
13	requirements under IC 20-19-2-21.
14	SECTION 50. IC 20-33-8-19, AS AMENDED BY P.L.94-2019,
15	SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
16	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 19. (a) A superintendent of a school corporation
17	may conduct an expulsion meeting or appoint one (1) of the following
18	to conduct an expulsion meeting:
19	(1) Legal counsel.
20	(2) A member of the administrative staff if the member:
21	(A) has not expelled the student during the current school
22	year; and
23	(B) was not involved in the events giving rise to the expulsion.
24	The superintendent or a person designated under this subsection may
25	issue subpoenas, compel the attendance of witnesses, and administer
26	oaths to persons giving testimony at an expulsion meeting.
27	(b) An expulsion may take place only after the student and the
28	student's parent are given notice of their right to appear at an expulsion
29	meeting with the superintendent or a person designated under
30	subsection (a). Notice of the right to appear at an expulsion meeting
31	must:
32	(1) be made by:
33	(A) certified mail or by personal delivery; or
34	(B) electronic mail if the:
35	(i) parent has provided the electronic mail address to the
36	school as a means of communication and, in the case of
37	a student, the electronic mail is sent to the student's
38	school created electronic mail address; and
39	(ii) school is able to confirm the electronic mail was
40	opened and responded to by a user of the electronic mail
41	account under item (i);
42	(2) contain the reasons for the expulsion; and



1	(3) contain the procedure for requesting an expulsion meeting.
2	If the school is unable to confirm within forty-eight (48) hours
3	from the time the electronic mail was sent under subdivision (1)(B)
4	that the electronic mail was opened and responded to by a user of
5	the electronic mail account as described in subdivision (1)(B)(ii),
6	notice to the student and the parent of the student under this
7	subsection must be made by certified mail or by personal delivery.
8	(c) The individual conducting an expulsion meeting:
9	(1) shall make a written summary of the evidence heard at the
10	expulsion meeting;
11	(2) may take action that the individual finds appropriate;
12	(3) shall provide the information described in subsection (g) to
13	the student and the student's parent; and
14	(4) must give notice of the action taken under subdivision (2) to
15	the student and the student's parent.
16	(d) If the student or the student's parent not later than ten (10) days
17	of receipt of a notice of action taken under subsection (c) makes a
18	written appeal to the governing body, the governing body:
19	(1) shall hold a meeting to consider:
20	(A) the written summary of evidence prepared under
21	subsection (c)(1); and
22	(B) the arguments of the principal and the student or the
23	student's parent;
24	unless the governing body has voted under subsection (f) not to
25	hear appeals of actions taken under subsection (c); and
26	(2) may take action that the governing body finds appropriate.
27	The decision of the governing body may be appealed only under
28	section 21 of this chapter.
29	(e) A student or a student's parent who fails to request and appear
30	at an expulsion meeting after receipt of notice of the right to appear at
31	an expulsion meeting forfeits all rights administratively to contest and
32	appeal the expulsion. For purposes of this section, notice of the right to
33	appear at an expulsion meeting or notice of the action taken at an
34	expulsion meeting is effectively given at the time when the request or
35	notice is:
36	(1) delivered personally or sent by certified mail to a student and
37	the student's parent; or
38	(2) made by:
39	(A) electronic mail to the student and the student's parent
40	if the:
41	(i) parent has provided the electronic mail address to the
42	school as a means of communication and, in the case of



1	a student, the electronic mail is sent to the student's
2	school created electronic mail address; and
3	(ii) school confirms the electronic mail was opened and
4	responded to by a user of the electronic mail account
5	under item (i); or
6	(B) if the school is unable to confirm within forty-eight (48)
7	hours from the time that the electronic mail was sent under
8	clause (A) that the electronic mail was opened and
9	responded to by a user of the electronic mail account as
10	described in clause (A)(ii), personal delivery or is sent by
11	certified mail to the student and the student's parent.
12	(f) The governing body may vote to not hear appeals of actions
13	taken under subsection (c). If the governing body votes to not hear
14	appeals, subsequent to the date on which the vote is taken, a student or
15	parent may appeal only under section 21 of this chapter.
16	(g) Each school corporation shall annually prepare a list of:
17	(1) alternative education programs in the same county in which
18	the school corporation is located or a county immediately adjacen
19	to the county in which the school corporation is located; and
20	(2) virtual charter schools;
21	in which a student may enroll if the student is expelled. The list mus-
22	contain contact information for the entities described in subdivisions
23	(1) and (2) and must provide the student and the student's parent notice
24	that the student may be required to comply with IC 20-33-2 or any
25	statute relating to compulsory school attendance in accordance with
26	section 31 of this chapter. A copy of the list shall be provided to the
27	student or the student's parent at the expulsion meeting. If the student
28	or student's parent fails to attend an expulsion meeting, a copy of the
29	list shall be mailed to the student's residence.
30	SECTION 51. IC 20-35-3-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.56-2023
31	SECTION 195, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
32	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 1. (a) The secretary of education
33	shall appoint a state advisory council on the education of children with
34	disabilities. The state advisory council's duties consist of providing
35	policy guidance concerning special education and related services for
36	children with disabilities. The secretary of education shall appoint a
37	least seventeen (17) members who serve for a term of four (4) years
38	Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner for the unexpired balance
39	of the term.
40	(b) The members of the state advisory council must be:
41	(1) citizens of Indiana;

(2) representative of the state's population; and



1	(3) selected on the basis of their involvement in or concern with
2	the education of children with disabilities.
3	(c) A majority of the members of the state advisory council must be
4	individuals with disabilities or the parents of children with disabilities.
5	Members must include the following:
6	(1) Parents of children with disabilities.
7	(2) Individuals with disabilities.
8	(3) Teachers.
9	(4) Representatives of postsecondary educational institutions that
10	prepare special education and related services personnel.
11	(5) State and local education officials.
12	(6) Administrators of programs for children with disabilities.
13	(7) Representatives of state agencies involved in the financing or
14	delivery of related services to children with disabilities, including
15	the following:
16	(A) The commissioner of the Indiana department of health or
17	the commissioner's designee.
18	(B) The director of the division of disability and rehabilitative
19	services or the director's designee.
20	(C) The director of the division of mental health and addiction
21	or the director's designee.
22	(D) The director of the department of child services or the
23	director's designee.
24	(8) Representatives of nonpublic schools and freeway schools.
25	(9) One (1) or more representatives of vocational, community, or
26	business organizations concerned with the provision of
27	transitional services to children with disabilities.
28	(10) Representatives of the department of correction.
29	(11) A representative from each of the following:
30	(A) The Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired
31	board.
32	(B) The Indiana School for the Deaf board.
33	(12) A representative from the Arc of Indiana.
34	(d) The responsibilities of the state advisory council are as follows:
35	(1) To advise the secretary of education and the state board
36	regarding all rules pertaining to children with disabilities.
37	(2) To recommend approval or rejection of completed
38	comprehensive plans submitted by school corporations acting
39	individually or on a joint school services program basis with other
40	corporations.
41	(3) (2) To advise the department of unmet needs within Indiana
42	in the education of children with disabilities.



1	(4) (3) To provide public comment on rules proposed by the state
2	board regarding the education of children with disabilities.
3	(5) (4) To advise the department in developing evaluations and
4	reporting data to the United States Secretary of Education under
5	20 U.S.C. 1418.
6	(6) (5) To advise the department in developing corrective action
7	plans to address findings identified in federal monitoring reports
8	under 20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.
9	(7) (6) To advise the department in developing and implementing
10	policies related to the coordination of services for children with
11	disabilities.
12	(e) The state advisory council shall do the following:
13	(1) Organize with a chairperson selected by the secretary of
14	education.
15	(2) Meet as often as necessary to conduct the council's business
16	at the call of the chairperson, upon ten (10) days written notice,
17	but not less than four (4) times a year.
18	(f) Members of the state advisory council are entitled to reasonable
19	amounts for expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of their
20	duties.
21	(g) The secretary of education shall do the following:
22	(1) Designate the director to act as executive secretary of the state
23	advisory council.
24	(2) Furnish all professional and clerical assistance necessary for
25	the performance of the state advisory council's powers and duties.
26	(h) The affirmative votes of a majority of the members appointed to
27	the state advisory council are required for the state advisory council to
28	take action.
29	SECTION 52. IC 20-40-22-8, AS ADDED BY P.L.201-2023,
30	SECTION 189, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
31	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 8. (a) The department shall
32	annually determine the total distribution amount from the fund in a
33	state fiscal year.
34	(b) Except as provided in subsection (e), beginning October 1,
35	2023, and October 1 each year thereafter, the department shall
36	distribute from the fund to each public school that has complied with
37	the requirements established under subsection (d) and each
38	accredited nonpublic school from which a reimbursement request was
39	received under IC 20-33-5-9 an amount equal to:
40	(1) the average cost amount per student for curricular materials as
41	determined under section 7 of this chapter; multiplied by



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(2) in the case of:

1	(A) a public school, the fall count of ADM for the public
2	school; and
3	(B) an accredited nonpublic school, the number of eligible
4	students for whom a request for reimbursement was submitted
5	under IC 20-33-5-9.
6	(c) If the total distribution amount from the fund is less than the
7	amount needed to pay the cost of all curricular materials provided and
8	the cost of reimbursements under this chapter, the department shall
9	make distributions from the fund to each public school and each
10	applicable accredited nonpublic school based on the cost of curricular
11	materials per student as determined under section 7 of this chapter on
12	a pro rata basis.
13	(d) The department shall conduct an annual statewide survey
14	each year to determine the fees, including the amount of each fee
15	and the amount collected from each fee, that each public school
16	charges students or the students' parents. Each public school shall:
17	(1) participate in the annual statewide survey conducted
18	under this subsection; and
19	(2) provide the fee information requested by the department
20	as part of the annual statewide survey;
21	in the manner prescribed by the department.
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- (B) The student successfully completed any other credential approved under subsection (h). (b) As used in this section, "CSA participating entity" has the meaning set forth in IC 20-51.4-2-3.2. (c) Subject to subsection (l), upon a student described in subsection (a) meeting the requirements under subsection (a)(4)(A) or (a)(4)(B), if the student is enrolled in an accredited or nonaccredited school that has one (1) or more employees, the department shall award a credential
 - (d) Subject to subsection (l), upon a student described in subsection (a) meeting the requirements under subsection (a)(4)(A) or (a)(4)(B), and in addition to the grant amount awarded under subsection (c), the department shall award a credential completion grant in an amount equal to five hundred dollars (\$500) to the CSA participating entity that provided the apprenticeship or course sequence described in subsection (a)(4)(A) or (a)(4)(B) that the student completed.

completion grant in an amount equal to five hundred dollars (\$500) to

- (e) A CSA participating entity that receives a grant amount under subsection (d) may enter into an agreement with one (1) or more intermediaries (as defined in IC 22-4-2-41) IC 21-18-1-3.5) or other CSA participating entities to share a grant amount received under subsection (d).
- (f) An accredited or nonaccredited school that is also a CSA participating entity may receive, if eligible, a grant award under:
 - (1) subsection (c);
 - (2) subsection (d); or
 - (3) both subsections (c) and (d).

the accredited or nonaccredited school.

- (g) The department shall distribute the grants awarded under this section.
- (h) The department, in consultation with the governor's workforce cabinet, shall approve and maintain a list of credentials that are eligible for a credential completion grant under subsection (a)(4)(B).
- (i) The department shall approve a CSA provider that is also an employer who has partnered with an approved intermediary to offer an apprenticeship, modern youth apprenticeship, or program of study that culminates in an approved credential. The department may revoke an initial approval under this subsection if the provider fails to achieve an adequate outcome as determined by the department.
- (j) A grant awarded under this section to an eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) does not count toward a student's choice scholarship amount calculated under IC 20-51-4-5 and is not subject to the maximum choice scholarship cap under IC 20-51-4-4.



- (k) The state board may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement this section.
- (1) The total amount of grants that may be awarded in a state fiscal year under this section may not exceed five million dollars (\$5,000,000).
- (m) If the total amount to be distributed as credential completion grants for a particular state fiscal year exceeds the maximum amount allowed under subsection (l) for a state fiscal year, the total amount to be distributed as credential completion grants shall be proportionately reduced so that the total reduction equals the amount of the excess.
- (n) The amount of the reduction described in subsection (m) for a particular recipient is equal to the total amount of the excess multiplied by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the amount of the credential completion grant that the recipient would have received if a reduction were not made under this section. The denominator of the fraction is the total amount that would be distributed as credential completion grants to all recipients if a reduction were not made under this section.

SECTION 54. IC 20-51.4-4-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.201-2023, SECTION 220, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.202-2023, SECTION 49, AND AS AMENDED BY THE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS BILL OF THE 2024 GENERAL ASSEMBLY, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 1. (a) After June 30, 2022, a parent of an eligible student or an emancipated eligible student may establish an Indiana education scholarship account for the eligible student by entering into a written agreement with the treasurer of state on a form prepared by the treasurer of state. The treasurer of state shall establish a date by which an application to establish an ESA account for the upcoming school year must be submitted. However, for a school year beginning after July 1, 2022, applications must be submitted for an eligible student not later than September 1 for the immediately following school year. The ESA account of an eligible student shall be made in the name of the eligible student. The treasurer of state shall make the agreement available on the *Internet web site* website of the treasurer of state. To be eligible, a parent of an eligible student or an emancipated eligible student wishing to participate in the ESA program must agree that:

- (1) a grant deposited in the eligible student's *ESA* account under section 2 of this chapter and any interest that may accrue in the *ESA* account will be used only for the eligible student's *ESA* qualified expenses;
- (2) if the eligible student participates in the CSA program, a



1	grant deposited in the eligible student's ESA account under
2	IC 20-51.4-4.5-3 and any interest that may accrue in the ESA
3	account will be used only for the eligible student's ESA qualified
4	expenses;
5	$\frac{1}{(2)}$ (3) money in the ESA account when the ESA account is
6	terminated reverts to the state general fund;
7	(3) (4) the parent of the eligible student or the emancipated
8	eligible student will use part of the money in the ESA account:
9	(A) for the eligible student's study in the subject of reading,
10	grammar, mathematics, social studies, or science; or
11	(B) for use in accordance with the eligible student's:
12	(i) individualized education program;
13	(ii) service plan developed under 511 IAC 7-34;
14	(iii) choice special education plan developed under 511
15	IAC 7-49; or
16	(iv) plan developed under Section 504 of the federal
17	Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. 794;
18	$\frac{(4)}{(5)}$ (5) the eligible student will not be enrolled in a school that
19	receives tuition support under IC 20-43; and
20	(5) (6) the eligible student will take the statewide summative
21	assessment, as applicable based on the eligible student's grade
22	level, as provided under IC 20-32-5.1, or the assessment specified
23	in the eligible student's:
24	(A) individualized education program developed under
25	IC 20-35;
26	(B) service plan developed under 511 IAC 7-34;
27	(C) choice special education plan developed under 511
28	IAC 7-49; or
29	(D) plan developed under Section 504 of the federal
30	Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. 794.
31	(b) A parent of an eligible student may enter into a separate
32	agreement under subsection (a) for each child of the parent. However,
33	not more than one (1) ESA account may be established for each eligible
34	student.
35	(c) The ESA account must be established under subsection (a) by a
36	parent of an eligible student or an emancipated eligible student for a
37	school year on or before a date established by the treasurer of state,
38	which must be at least thirty (30) days before the <i>fall ADM count date</i>
39	established by the state board fall count day of ADM established under
40	IC 20-43-4-3. A parent of an eligible student or an emancipated eligible
41	student may not enter into an agreement under this section or maintain

an ESA account under this chapter if the eligible student receives a



- choice scholarship under IC 20-51-4 for the same school year. An eligible student may not receive a grant under section 2 of this chapter if the eligible student is currently included in a school corporation's ADM count under IC 20-43-4.
- (d) Except as provided in subsections (e) and (f), an agreement made under this section is valid for one (1) school year while the eligible student is in kindergarten through grade 12 and may be renewed annually. Upon graduation, or receipt of a certificate of completion under the eligible student's individualized education program, the eligible student's *ESA* account is terminated.
- (e) An agreement entered into under this section terminates automatically for an eligible student if:
 - (1) the eligible student no longer resides in Indiana while the eligible student is eligible to receive grants under section 2 of this chapter; or
 - (2) the *ESA* account is not renewed within three hundred ninety-five (395) days after the date the *ESA* account was either established or last renewed.
- If an ESA account is terminated under this section, money in the eligible student's ESA account, including any interest accrued, reverts to the state general fund.
- (f) An agreement made under this section for an eligible student while the eligible student is in kindergarten through grade 12 may be terminated before the end of the school year if the parent of the eligible student or the emancipated eligible student notifies the treasurer of state in a manner specified by the treasurer of state.
- (g) A distribution made to an ESA account under section 2 of this chapter is considered tax exempt as long as the distribution is used for α an ESA qualified expense. The amount is subtracted from the definition of adjusted federal gross income under IC 6-3-1-3.5 to the extent the distribution used for the ESA qualified expense is included in the taxpayer's adjusted federal gross income under the Internal Revenue Code.
- (h) The department shall establish a student test number as described in IC 20-19-3-9.4 for each eligible student. The treasurer of state shall provide the department information necessary for the department to comply with this subsection.
- SECTION 55. IC 20-51.4-5-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.202-2023, SECTION 65, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 3. (a) Each qualified school that is an ESA participating entity that accepts payments for tuition and fees made from an ESA account under the ESA program shall administer to its



1	eligible students, for the applicable grade levels as provided under
2	IC 20-32-5.1, the statewide summative assessment unless otherwise
3	prescribed by the eligible student's:
4	(1) individualized education program;
5	(2) service plan developed under 511 IAC 7-34;
6	(3) choice special education plan developed under 511 IAC 7-49;
7	or
8	(4) plan developed under Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation
9	Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. 794.
10	(b) Upon receipt of the statewide summative assessment test
11	results, the department shall, subject to the federal Family Educational
12	Rights and Privacy Act (20 U.S.C. 1232g) and any regulations adopted
13	under that act:
14	(1) aggregate the statewide summative assessment test results
15	according to the grade level, gender, race, and family income
16	level of all eligible students; and
17	(2) make the results determined under subdivision (1) available
18	on the department's website.
19	SECTION 56. IC 20-51.4-5.5-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.202-2023,
20	SECTION 69, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
21	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 3. The commission for higher education shall
22	approve an application submitted under section 2 of this chapter to the
23	commission for higher education if the individual or entity meets the
24	criteria to serve as a CSA participating entity.
25	SECTION 57. IC 20-51.4-5.5-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.202-2023,
26	SECTION 69, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
27	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 5. (a) The commission for higher education may
28	refuse to allow a CSA participating entity to continue participation in
29	the CSA program and revoke the CSA participating entity's status as a
30	CSA participating entity if the commission for higher education
31	determines that the CSA participating entity accepts payments made
32	from a CSA account under this article and:
33	(1) has failed to provide any educational service required by state
34	or federal law to a career scholarship student receiving instruction
35	from the CSA participating entity; or
36	(2) has routinely failed to meet the requirements of a CSA
37	participating entity under the CSA program.
38	(b) If the commission for higher education approves a CSA
39	participating entity under this chapter, the commission for higher
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apprenticeships, or programs of study provided by the CSA



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1	participating entity to ensure the sequences, courses, or
2	apprenticeships comply with the requirements under
3	IC 20-51.4-4.5-6 and this chapter; and
4	(2) may revoke approval of the CSA participating entity if, at any
5	time more than two (2) years after the CSA participating entity is
6	approved, the commission for higher education determines that
7	the sequences, courses, apprenticeships, or programs of study that
8	the CSA participating entity offers does do not comply with the
9	requirements under IC 20-51.4-4.5-6 or this chapter.
10	(c) If the commission for higher education revokes approval of a
11	CSA participating entity under subsection (b), the revocation becomes
12	effective the immediately following school year.
13	SECTION 58. IC 21-18-19-1, AS ADDED BY P.L.202-2023
14	SECTION 78, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
15	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 1. (a) As used in this section, "applicable statutes'
16	means the following:
17	(1) IC 11-10-12-7.
18	(2) IC 20-30-5.6-5.
19	(3) IC 21-12-3-9.2.
20	(4) IC 21-12-4-3.5.
21	(5) IC 21-12-6-6.8.
22	(6) IC 21-18-20.
23	(b) As used in this section, "labor organization" has the meaning se
24	forth in IC 22-6-6-5.
25	(c) The commission shall:
26	(1) develop application forms by which an intermediary, ar
27	employer, or a labor organization may apply for inclusion on the
28	lists described in subdivisions (2) and (4);
29	(2) create a list of approved intermediaries, employers, and labor
30	organizations approved by the commission under subsection
31	(d) for the purposes set forth in the applicable statutes;
32	(3) establish, in a manner that complies with:
33	(A) state privacy laws; and
34	(B) federal privacy laws, including the privacy provisions of
35	the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (20
36	U.S.C. 1232g);
37	annual reporting requirements for an intermediary, an employer
38	or a labor organization that meets with an individual under the
39	applicable statutes; and
40	(4) create a list of intermediaries, employers, and labor
41	organizations that are approved by the commission under
42	subsection (d) for purposes of the applicable statutes.



1	(d) An intermediary, an employer, or a labor organization may apply
2	for inclusion on the lists described in subsection (c)(2) and (c)(4) by
3	submitting to the commission an application on the appropriate form
4	described in subsection (c)(1).
5	(e) The commission shall publish the lists created under subsection
6	(c)(2) and $(c)(4)$ on the commission's website.
7	(f) The commission may:
8	(1) update the lists created under subsection $(c)(2)$ and $(c)(4)$, as
9	needed; and
10	(2) approve or deny a request for a waiver of the meeting
11	requirement submitted under the applicable statutes.
12	(g) The commission may:
13	(1) adopt rules under IC 4-22-2;
14	(2) issue a request for proposals under IC 5-22-9; and
15	(3) issue a request for information;
16	for the purpose of implementing this section.
17	SECTION 59. IC 21-18.5-4-8.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.192-2018,
18	SECTION 55, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
19	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 8.5. (a) This section does not apply to a student
20	who:
21	(1) receives a graduation waiver under IC 20-32-4-4 or
22	IC 20-32-4-4.1; and
23	(2) receives an Indiana diploma with a general designation by
24	satisfying the conditions set forth in IC 20-32-4-4 or
25	IC 20-32-4-4.1;
26	if the student has an individualized education program.
27	(b) Except as provided in subsection (a), this section applies to a
28	student who receives a graduation waiver under IC 20-32-4-4 after
29	June 30, 2014.
30	(c) Notwithstanding any other law, and except as provided in
31	subsection (e), a student who:
32	(1) receives a graduation waiver under IC 20-32-4-4 or
33	IC 20-32-4-4.1; and
34	(2) receives an Indiana diploma with a general designation by
35	satisfying the conditions set forth in IC 20-32-4-4 or
36	IC 20-32-4-4.1;
37	is disqualified from receiving state scholarships, grants, or assistance
38	administered by the commission unless the student satisfies the
39	requirements of the state board of education established under
40	IC 20-32-9-3.

(d) Any exam used under subsection (e) to meet the requirements

of the state board of education established under IC 20-32-9-3 shall be



1	administered by the secondary school that granted the student the
2	graduation waiver. The cost of the exam shall be paid by the
3	department.
4	(e) A student described in subsection (c) is not disqualified from
5	receiving may not receive or use any state scholarships, grants, or
6	assistance administered by the commission for credit bearing degree
7	noncredit-bearing, nondegree seeking courses, as mutually defined
8	by the commission and the postsecondary educational institution
9	offering the course.
10	SECTION 60. IC 21-40-4-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2007,
11	SECTION 281, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
12	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 2. (a) This section does not apply
13	to:
14	(1) Ivy Tech Community College; and
15	(2) Vincennes University with respect to two (2) year degree
16	programs.
17	(b) Except as provided in sections 5 and 6 of this chapter, each state
18	educational institution must require a student who is an Indiana
19	resident to have completed either:
20	(1) the Core 40 curriculum established under IC 20-30-10; or
21	(2) a curriculum that is equivalent to the Core 40 curriculum; or
22	(3) a curriculum aligned with Indiana diploma requirements
23	established under IC 20-19-2-21;
24	as a general requirement for regular admission as a freshman to the
25	state educational institution.
26	(c) Each state educational institution must establish the institution's:
27	(1) requirements for regular admission; and
28	(2) exceptions to the institution's requirements for regular
29	admission.
30	SECTION 61. IC 21-40-4-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2007,
31	SECTION 281, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
32	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 3. (a) This section applies to:
33	(1) Ivy Tech Community College; and
34	(2) Vincennes University with respect to two (2) year degree
35	programs.
36	(b) A student who enters a state educational institution to which this
37	section applies to obtain a two (2) year degree is not required to have
38	completed either:
39	(1) the Core 40 curriculum established under IC 20-30-10; or
40	(2) a curriculum that is equivalent to the Core 40 curriculum; or

(2) a curriculum that is equivalent to the Core 40 curriculum; or

(3) a curriculum aligned with Indiana diploma requirements



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established under IC 20-19-2-21;

1	to be admitted to the state educational institution.
2	SECTION 62. IC 21-40-4-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2007,
3	SECTION 281, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
4	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 5. (a) This section applies to a
5	student who has not completed:
6	(1) the Core 40 curriculum established under IC 20-30-10; or
7	(2) a curriculum that is equivalent to the Core 40 curriculum; or
8	(3) a curriculum aligned with Indiana diploma requirements
9	established under IC 20-19-2-21.
10	(b) A student to whom this section applies may apply for acceptance
11	as a transfer student at a state educational institution to which section
12	2 of this chapter applies if the student has successfully completed at
13	least twelve (12) credit hours of college level courses with at least a
14	"C" average or the equivalent in each course.
15	SECTION 63. IC 21-40-4-6, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2007,
16	SECTION 281, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
17	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 6. The requirement set forth in
18	section 2(b) of this chapter that a student must have completed:
19	(1) the Core 40 curriculum; or
20	(2) a curriculum equivalent to the Core 40 curriculum; or
21	(3) a curriculum aligned with Indiana diploma requirements
22	established under IC 20-19-2-21;
23	for regular admission does not apply to a student who will be at least
24	twenty-one (21) years of age during the semester for which the student
25	seeks admission.
26	SECTION 64. IC 22-4.1-18-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.228-2017,
27	SECTION 8, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
28	JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 1. This chapter applies to an individual who is:
29	(1) at least eighteen (18) years of age; or
30	(2) less than eighteen (18) years of age if a superintendent (as
31	defined in IC 20-18-2-21) or principal, or the superintendent's or
32	principal's designee, recommends that the individual participate
33	in the testing program. and has received a written
34	recommendation from at least one (1) of the following, as
35	applicable:
36	(A) The individual's parent if the individual attends a
37	nonaccredited nonpublic school that has less than one (1)
38	employee.
39	(B) The superintendent (as defined in IC 20-18-2-21).
40	principal, or head of the school the individual attends, or
41	the appropriate designee, if the individual attends a school
42	that employs more than one (1) employee.



1	(C) A judge (as defined in IC 31-9-2-68).
2	SECTION 65. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024] (a) The definitions in
3	IC 20 apply throughout this SECTION.
4	(b) Not later than November 1, 2026, the department shall
5	develop proposals to align diploma waiver statutes with new
6	diploma requirements established by the state board under
7	IC 20-19-2-21, as amended by this act.
8	(c) This SECTION expires July 1, 2027.
9	SECTION 66. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The definitions
10	used in IC 20-18-2 apply throughout this SECTION.
11	(b) The department of education may, in a manner prescribed
12	by the department, authorize all school corporations or charter
13	schools to elect to either cancel school on April 8, 2024, or to use
14	the day as a virtual student instructional day for the observance of
15	the solar eclipse occurring on that date.
16	(c) If a school corporation or charter school elects to, in
17	accordance with the department's authorization described in
18	subsection (b):
19	(1) use the day as a virtual student instructional day,
20	notwithstanding IC 20-30-2-2.7, the virtual student day does
21	not count towards the three (3) virtual student instructional
22	days under IC 20-30-2-2.7; or
23	(2) cancel school, the canceled school day may not be used to
24	penalize the school corporation or charter school under
25	IC 20-30-2-4 for not meeting the one hundred eighty (180)
26	student instructional days set forth in IC 20-30-2-3.
27	(d) This SECTION expires July 1, 2024.
28	SECTION 67. An emergency is declared for this act.



COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Education, to which was referred House Bill 1243, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, delete line 15.

Delete pages 2 through 3.

Page 4, delete line 1.

Page 8, between lines 20 and 21, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 8. IC 20-18-2-22, AS AMENDED BY P.L.246-2023, SECTION 24, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 22. (a) "Teacher" means a professional person whose position in a school corporation requires certain educational preparation and licensing and whose primary responsibility is the instruction of students.

- (b) Except as provided in subsections (d) and (e), for purposes of IC 20-28, the term includes the following:
 - (1) A superintendent who holds a license under IC 20-28-5.
 - (2) A principal.
 - (3) A teacher.
 - (4) A librarian.
 - (5) A school counselor.
 - (6) A school psychologist.
- (c) For purposes of IC 20-43-10-3.5, the term means a professional person whose position with a:
 - (1) school corporation;
 - (2) special education cooperative established under IC 20-35-5;
 - (3) cooperative career and technical education program;
 - (4) special education program established by an interlocal agreement under IC 36-1-7;
 - (5) joint program agreement established under IC 20-26-10; or
 - (6) charter school;

requires a license (as defined in IC 20-28-1-7) and whose primary responsibility is the instruction of students in the classroom or virtual classroom.

- (d) "Teacher" for purposes of IC 20-28-9-26 and IC 20-28-9-27, means a classroom teacher licensed under IC 20-28-5 who provides instruction to students for at least fifty percent (50%) of the teacher's work day.
- (e) For purposes of IC 20-28-9-28, the term includes an adjunct teacher, school counselor, **school social worker**, **school psychologist**,



and permanent substitute teacher employed by a school corporation.".

Page 20, line 7, after "consortium." insert "The amount a school corporation expends on teacher compensation shall also include the amount the school corporation expends on dropout recovery educational services for an at-risk student enrolled in the school corporation provided by an agreement with an eligible school that is directly attributable to the compensation of teachers employed by the eligible school."

Page 48, line 28, reset in roman "IC 20-51.4-4.5-6(a);".

Page 48, line 28, delete "IC 20-51.4-4.5;".

Page 50, delete lines 7 through 17.

Page 52, delete lines 37 through 42.

Delete pages 53 through 55.

Page 56, delete lines 1 through 6.

Page 56, delete lines 30 through 42.

Page 57, delete lines 1 through 14.

Page 57, line 17, delete "(a)".

Page 57, delete lines 21 through 41.

Page 58, line 13, delete "or the executive".

Page 58, line 14, delete "committee".

Page 58, delete lines 30 through 42, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 55. IC 21-18-19-1, AS ADDED BY P.L.202-2023, SECTION 78, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 1. (a) As used in this section, "applicable statutes" means the following:

- (1) IC 11-10-12-7.
- (2) IC 20-30-5.6-5.
- (3) IC 21-12-3-9.2.
- (4) IC 21-12-4-3.5.
- (5) IC 21-12-6-6.8.
- (6) IC 21-18-20.
- (b) As used in this section, "labor organization" has the meaning set forth in IC 22-6-6-5.
 - (c) The commission shall:
 - (1) develop application forms by which an intermediary, an employer, or a labor organization may apply for inclusion on the lists described in subdivisions (2) and (4);
 - (2) create a list of approved intermediaries, employers, and labor organizations approved by the commission under subsection
 - (d) for the purposes set forth in the applicable statutes;
 - (3) establish, in a manner that complies with:



- (A) state privacy laws; and
- (B) federal privacy laws, including the privacy provisions of the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (20 U.S.C. 1232g);

annual reporting requirements for an intermediary, an employer, or a labor organization that meets with an individual under the applicable statutes; and

- (4) create a list of intermediaries, employers, and labor organizations that are approved by the commission under subsection (d) for purposes of the applicable statutes.
- (d) An intermediary, an employer, or a labor organization may apply for inclusion on the lists described in subsection (c)(2) and (c)(4) by submitting to the commission an application on the appropriate form described in subsection (c)(1).
- (e) The commission shall publish the lists created under subsection (c)(2) and (c)(4) on the commission's website.
 - (f) The commission may:
 - (1) update the lists created under subsection (c)(2) and (c)(4), as needed; and
 - (2) approve or deny a request for a waiver of the meeting requirement submitted under the applicable statutes.
 - (g) The commission may:
 - (1) adopt rules under IC 4-22-2;
 - (2) issue a request for proposals under IC 5-22-9; and
 - (3) issue a request for information;

for the purpose of implementing this section.".

Delete page 59.

Page 60, delete lines 1 through 22.

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1243 as introduced.)

BEHNING

Committee Vote: yeas 12, nays 0.



HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that House Bill 1243 be amended to read as follows:

Page 18, line 38, after "expends" insert "on teacher compensation shall also include the amount the school corporation expends on one (1) or more of the following:

- (1) Dropout recovery educational services for an at-risk student enrolled in the school corporation provided by an agreement with an eligible school that is directly attributable to the compensation of teachers employed by the eligible school.
- (2) Third party virtual providers that provide one hundred percent (100%) virtual instruction to students enrolled in the school corporation."

Page 18, delete lines 39 through 42.

Page 19, delete line 1.

(Reference is to HB 1243 as printed January 25, 2024.)

BEHNING

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that House Bill 1243 be amended to read as follows:

Page 14, between lines 39 and 40, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 11. IC 20-24-7-16 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 16. Not later than July 1 of each year, a charter school shall post on the charter school's website information for the immediately preceding school year regarding whether there is a familial or business relationship between the organizer, owner, or operator of the charter school and the owner of the charter school's building."

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to HB 1243 as printed January 25, 2024.)

DELANEY



COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Education and Career Development, to which was referred House Bill No. 1243, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 1, line 9, delete "submissions" and insert "reports".

Page 16, between lines 36 and 37, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 15. IC 20-26-13-10, AS AMENDED BY P.L.246-2023, SECTION 36, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JUNE 29, 2024]: Sec. 10. (a) Except as provided in section 11 of this chapter and subject to IC 20-31-8-4.6 and IC 20-32-4-14, the four (4) year graduation rate for a cohort in a high school is the percentage determined under STEP FIVE of the following formula:

STEP ONE: Determine the grade 9 enrollment at the beginning of the reporting year three (3) years before the reporting year for which the graduation rate is being determined.

STEP TWO: Add:

- (A) the number determined under STEP ONE; and
- (B) the number of students who:
 - (i) have enrolled in the high school after the date on which the number determined under STEP ONE was determined; and
- (ii) have the same expected graduation year as the cohort. STEP THREE: Subtract from the sum determined under STEP TWO the number of students who have left the cohort for any of the following reasons:
 - (A) Transfer to another public or nonpublic school.
 - (B) Except as provided in IC 20-33-2-28.6 and subsection (b), removal by the student's parents under IC 20-33-2-28 to provide instruction equivalent to that given in the public schools
 - (C) Withdrawal because of a long term medical condition or death.
 - (D) Detention by a law enforcement agency or the department of correction.
 - (E) Placement by a court order or the department of child services.
 - (F) Enrollment in a virtual school.
 - (G) Leaving school, if the student attended school in Indiana for less than one (1) school year and the location of the student



cannot be determined.

- (H) Leaving school, if the location of the student cannot be determined and the student has been reported to the Indiana clearinghouse for information on missing children and missing endangered adults.
- (I) Withdrawing from school before graduation, if the student is a high ability student (as defined in IC 20-36-1-3) who is a full-time student at an accredited institution of higher education during the semester in which the cohort graduates.
- (J) Withdrawing from school before graduation pursuant to providing notice of withdrawal under section 17 of this chapter.
- (K) Participating in the high school equivalency pilot program under IC 20-30-8.5, unless the student fails to successfully complete the high school equivalency pilot program in the two
- (2) year period. This clause expires June 30, 2024. **2026.**

STEP FOUR: Determine the result of:

- (A) the total number of students determined under STEP TWO who have graduated during the current reporting year or a previous reporting year; minus
- (B) the amount by which the number of students who graduated through a waiver process required under IC 20-32-3 through IC 20-32-5.1 exceeds:
 - (i) nine percent (9%) of the total number of students determined under clause (A) for the 2023-2024 school year;
 - (ii) six percent (6%) of the total number of students determined under clause (A) for the 2024-2025 school year; or
 - (iii) three percent (3%) of the total number of students determined under clause (A) for each school year after June 30, 2025.

STEP FIVE: Divide:

- (A) the number determined under STEP FOUR; by
- (B) the remainder determined under STEP THREE.
- (b) This subsection applies to a high school in which:
 - (1) for a:
 - (A) cohort of one hundred (100) students or less, at least ten percent (10%) of the students left a particular cohort for a reason described in subsection (a) STEP THREE clause (B); or
 - (B) cohort of more than one hundred (100) students, at least five percent (5%) of the students left a particular cohort for a



reason described in subsection (a) STEP THREE clause (B); and

(2) the students described in subdivision (1)(A) or (1)(B) are not on track to graduate with their cohort.

A high school must submit a request to the state board in a manner prescribed by the state board requesting that the students described in this subsection be included in the subsection (a) STEP THREE calculation. The state board shall review the request and may grant or deny the request. The state board shall deny the request unless the high school demonstrates good cause to justify that the students described in this subsection should be included in the subsection (a) STEP THREE calculation. If the state board denies the request the high school may not subtract the students described in this subsection under subsection (a) STEP THREE.

SECTION 16. IC 20-26-13-16.5, AS ADDED BY P.L.86-2020, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JUNE 29, 2024]: Sec. 16.5. (a) A student must be subtracted under clause (K) of STEP THREE of section 10(a) of this chapter when a student transitions from a traditional high school to the high school equivalency pilot program under IC 20-30-8.5.

(b) This section expires June 30, 2024. **2026.**".

Page 18, between lines 31 and 32, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 18. IC 20-27-12.1-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.155-2020, SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "career and technical education" has the meaning set forth in IC 20-20-38-1. refers to:

- (1) an apprenticeship program (as defined in IC 20-43-8-0.3);
- (2) a career and technical education (as defined in IC 20-20-38-1) program;
- (3) a modern youth apprenticeship (as defined in IC 20-51.4-2-9.5); and
- (4) a work based learning course (as defined in IC 20-43-8-0.7).

SECTION 19. IC 20-28-9-27, AS AMENDED BY P.L.132-2022, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 27. (a) As used in this section, "funding floor" means the amount a school corporation expended for full-time teacher salaries during a particular state fiscal year.

(b) Subject to subsections (d) and (e), if the amount of state tuition support distributed to a school corporation for a particular state fiscal year is greater than the amount of state tuition support distributed to the school corporation for the preceding state fiscal year, the school



corporation may not expend an amount for full-time teacher salaries during the particular state fiscal year that is less than the funding floor for the preceding state fiscal year.

- (c) For purposes of this section, the amount a school corporation expends for full-time teacher salaries shall include the amount the school corporation expends for participating in a special education cooperative or a career and technical education cooperative that is directly attributable to the salaries of full-time teachers employed by the cooperative, as determined by the department.
- (d) For purposes of this subsection, stipends paid using teacher appreciation grants under IC 20-43-10-3.5 are not considered. If a school corporation has awarded stipends to a majority of the school corporation's teachers in each of the two (2) preceding consecutive state fiscal years, an amount equal to the lesser of the total amount of stipends awarded in each of those state fiscal years shall be added to the school corporation's funding floor for the preceding state fiscal year described under subsection (b).
- (e) A school corporation may apply for a waiver from the department of the prohibition under subsection (b). The department may grant a waiver to a school corporation if the school corporation's enrollment for the school year during that particular state fiscal year is less than the enrollment in the school year during the preceding state fiscal year.
- (e) Beginning after June 30, 2024, for each state fiscal year that a school corporation fails to meet the expenditure requirements regarding full-time teacher salaries under subsection (b), the department shall submit in both a written and an electronic format a notice to the school corporation's:
 - (1) superintendent;
 - (2) school business officer; and
 - (3) governing body;

that the school corporation failed to meet the requirements set forth in subsection (b) for the applicable state fiscal year.

- (f) If a school corporation's governing body receives a notice from the department under subsection (e), the school corporation shall do the following:
 - (1) Publicly acknowledge receipt of the notice from the department at the governing body's next public meeting.
 - (2) Enter into the governing body's official minutes for the meeting described in subdivision (1) acknowledgment of the notice.
 - (3) Not later than thirty (30) days after the meeting described



in subdivision (1), publish on the school corporation's website:

- (A) the department's notice; and
- (B) any relevant individual reports prepared by the department.
- (g) If the department determines a school corporation that received one (1) or more notices from the department under subsection (e) has met the expenditure requirements required under subsection (b) for a subsequent state fiscal year, the school corporation may remove from the school corporation's website any:
 - (1) notices the school corporation received under subsection (e); and
 - (2) relevant individual reports prepared by the department under subsection (f)(3).".

Page 21, between lines 2 and 3, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 21. IC 20-28-10-20 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: **Sec. 20. (a) As used in this section,** "school" means the following:

- (1) A school maintained by a school corporation.
- (2) A charter school.
- (3) A state accredited nonpublic school.
- (b) If a school has a school counselor/student ratio that is not more than one (1) school counselor to three hundred fifty (350) students, the school is not required to comply with this section.
- (c) For the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 school years, a school shall ensure that at least sixty percent (60%) of a school counselor's aggregate time performing the counselor's job duties is devoted to providing direct services to students as described in subsection (d). This subsection expires July 1, 2026.
- (d) Beginning with the 2026-2027 school year, a school shall ensure that at least eighty percent (80%) of a school counselor's aggregate time performing the counselor's job duties is devoted to providing direct services to students, including:
 - (1) classroom instruction;
 - (2) assisting in creating a plan for college and career readiness;
 - (3) dropout prevention;
 - (4) social and emotional supports; and
 - (5) individual student planning.".

Page 23, line 31, strike "all high school".

Page 23, line 31, after "students" insert "enrolled in grade 8, 9, 10,



11, or 12".

Page 26, between lines 6 and 7, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 28. IC 20-30-8.5-13, AS ADDED BY P.L.86-2020, SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JUNE 29, 2024]: Sec. 13. This chapter expires June 30, 2024. **2026.**".

Page 44, between lines 25 and 26, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 57. IC 20-33-8-19, AS AMENDED BY P.L.94-2019, SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 19. (a) A superintendent of a school corporation may conduct an expulsion meeting or appoint one (1) of the following to conduct an expulsion meeting:

- (1) Legal counsel.
- (2) A member of the administrative staff if the member:
 - (A) has not expelled the student during the current school year; and
- (B) was not involved in the events giving rise to the expulsion. The superintendent or a person designated under this subsection may issue subpoenas, compel the attendance of witnesses, and administer oaths to persons giving testimony at an expulsion meeting.
- (b) An expulsion may take place only after the student and the student's parent are given notice of their right to appear at an expulsion meeting with the superintendent or a person designated under subsection (a). Notice of the right to appear at an expulsion meeting must:
 - (1) be made by:
 - (A) certified mail or by personal delivery; or
 - (B) electronic mail if the:
 - (i) parent has provided the electronic mail address to the school as a means of communication and, in the case of a student, the electronic mail is sent to the student's school created electronic mail address; and
 - (ii) school is able to confirm the electronic mail was opened and responded to by a user of the electronic mail account under item (i);
 - (2) contain the reasons for the expulsion; and
 - (3) contain the procedure for requesting an expulsion meeting.

If the school is unable to confirm within forty-eight (48) hours from the time the electronic mail was sent under subdivision (1)(B) that the electronic mail was opened and responded to by a user of the electronic mail account as described in subdivision (1)(B)(ii), notice to the student and the parent of the student under this subsection must be made by certified mail or by personal delivery.



- (c) The individual conducting an expulsion meeting:
 - (1) shall make a written summary of the evidence heard at the expulsion meeting;
 - (2) may take action that the individual finds appropriate;
 - (3) shall provide the information described in subsection (g) to the student and the student's parent; and
 - (4) must give notice of the action taken under subdivision (2) to the student and the student's parent.
- (d) If the student or the student's parent not later than ten (10) days of receipt of a notice of action taken under subsection (c) makes a written appeal to the governing body, the governing body:
 - (1) shall hold a meeting to consider:
 - (A) the written summary of evidence prepared under subsection (c)(1); and
 - (B) the arguments of the principal and the student or the student's parent;

unless the governing body has voted under subsection (f) not to hear appeals of actions taken under subsection (c); and

- (2) may take action that the governing body finds appropriate. The decision of the governing body may be appealed only under section 21 of this chapter.
- (e) A student or a student's parent who fails to request and appear at an expulsion meeting after receipt of notice of the right to appear at an expulsion meeting forfeits all rights administratively to contest and appeal the expulsion. For purposes of this section, notice of the right to appear at an expulsion meeting or notice of the action taken at an expulsion meeting is effectively given at the time when the request or notice is:
 - (1) delivered personally or sent by certified mail to a student and the student's parent; **or**
 - (2) made by:
 - (A) electronic mail to the student and the student's parent if the:
 - (i) parent has provided the electronic mail address to the school as a means of communication and, in the case of a student, the electronic mail is sent to the student's school created electronic mail address; and
 - (ii) school confirms the electronic mail was opened and responded to by a user of the electronic mail account under item (i); or
 - (B) if the school is unable to confirm within forty-eight (48) hours from the time that the electronic mail was sent under



- clause (A) that the electronic mail was opened and responded to by a user of the electronic mail account as described in clause (A)(ii), personal delivery or is sent by certified mail to the student and the student's parent.
- (f) The governing body may vote to not hear appeals of actions taken under subsection (c). If the governing body votes to not hear appeals, subsequent to the date on which the vote is taken, a student or parent may appeal only under section 21 of this chapter.
 - (g) Each school corporation shall annually prepare a list of:
 - (1) alternative education programs in the same county in which the school corporation is located or a county immediately adjacent to the county in which the school corporation is located; and
 - (2) virtual charter schools;

in which a student may enroll if the student is expelled. The list must contain contact information for the entities described in subdivisions (1) and (2) and must provide the student and the student's parent notice that the student may be required to comply with IC 20-33-2 or any statute relating to compulsory school attendance in accordance with section 31 of this chapter. A copy of the list shall be provided to the student or the student's parent at the expulsion meeting. If the student or student's parent fails to attend an expulsion meeting, a copy of the list shall be mailed to the student's residence."

Page 46, between lines 24 and 25, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 59. IC 20-40-18-8, AS ADDED BY P.L.244-2017, SECTION 86, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 8. (a) A school corporation shall use the operations fund to pay the transportation costs attributable to transportation of school children as specified in subsection (b).

- (b) Only the following costs are payable from the fund:
 - (1) Salaries paid to bus drivers, transportation supervisors, mechanics and garage employees, clerks, and other transportation related employees.
 - (2) Contracted transportation services.
 - (3) Wages of independent contractors.
 - (4) Contracts with common carriers.
 - (5) Student fares.
 - (6) Transportation related insurance.
 - (7) Transportation of school children to:
 - (A) an apprenticeship program (as defined in IC 20-43-8-0.3);
 - (B) a career and technical education (as defined in IC 20-20-38-1) program;



- (C) a modern youth apprenticeship (as defined in IC 20-51.4-2-9.5); and
- (D) a work based learning course (as defined in IC 20-43-8-0.7).
- (7) (8) Other expenses of operating the school corporation's transportation service, including gasoline, lubricants, tires, repairs, contracted repairs, parts, supplies, equipment, and other related expenses.
- (c) Percentages or parts of salaries of teaching personnel or principals are not attributable to transportation. However, parts of salaries of instructional aides who are assigned to assist with the school transportation program are attributable to transportation. The costs described in this subsection (other than instructional aide costs) may not be budgeted for payment or paid from the fund.
- (d) Costs for a calendar year are those costs attributable to transportation for students during the school year ending in the calendar year.".

Page 56, delete lines 22 through 42.

Delete pages 57 through 58.

Page 59, delete lines 1 through 5, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 70 IC 22-4-10-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.183-2017, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 8. (a) This section applies only to an employer who employs individuals within the state.

- (b) As used in this section, "date of hire" is: "newly hired employee" means an employee who:
 - (1) the first date that an employee provides labor or services to an employer; or
 - (2) the first date that an employee resumes providing labor or services to an employer after a separation from service with the employer of at least sixty (60) days.
 - (1) has not previously been employed by the employer; or
 - (2) was previously employed by the employer but has been separated from such prior employment for at least sixty (60) consecutive days.
 - (c) As used in this section, "employee":
 - (1) has the meaning set forth in Section 3401(c) of the Internal Revenue Code; and
 - (2) includes any individual:
 - (A) required under Internal Revenue Service regulations to complete a federal form W-4; and
 - (B) who has provided services to an employer.



The term does not include an employee of a federal or state agency who performs intelligence or counter intelligence functions if the head of the agency determines that the reporting information required under this section could endanger the safety of the employee or compromise an ongoing investigation or intelligence mission.

- (2) does not include an employee of a federal or state agency who performs intelligence or counter intelligence functions if the head of the agency determines that the reporting information required under this section could endanger the safety of the employee or compromise an ongoing investigation or intelligence mission.
- (d) As used in this section, "employer" has the meaning set forth in Section 3401(d) of the Internal Revenue Code. The term includes:
 - (1) governmental agencies;
 - (2) labor organizations; or
 - (3) a person doing business in the state as identified by:
 - (A) the person's federal employer identification number; or
 - (B) if applicable, the common paymaster, as defined in Section 3121 of the Internal Revenue Code or the payroll reporting agent of the employer, as described in IRS Rev. Proc. 70-6, 1970-1 C.B. 420.
- (e) As used in this section, "Internal Revenue Code" has the meaning set forth in IC 6-3-1-11.
- (f) (e) As used in this section, "labor organization" has the meaning set forth in 42 U.S.C. 653a(a)(2)(B)(ii).
- (g) As used in this section, "newly hired employee" means an employee who:
 - (1) has not previously been employed by an employer; or
 - (2) resumes service with an employer after a separation from service of at least sixty (60) days.
- (h) (f) The department shall maintain a directory of new hires as required under 42 U.S.C. 653a.
- (i) (g) The directory under subsection (h) (f) must contain the information for each newly hired employee that an employer must provide to the department under subsection (1). (i).
- (j) (h) An employer must transmit the information required under subsection (l): (i)
 - (1) within twenty (20) business days of the employee's date of hire. or
 - (2) if the information is transmitted magnetically or electronically, in two (2) monthly transactions that are:
 - (A) not less than twelve (12) days apart; and



- (B) not more than sixteen (16) days apart.
- (k) A report containing the information required under subsection (l) is considered timely:
 - (1) if it is postmarked on or before the due date, whenever the report is mailed; or
 - (2) if it is received on or before the due date, whenever the report is transmitted by:
 - (A) facsimile machine; or
 - (B) electronic or magnetic media.
- (1) (i) The employer shall provide the following information required under this section on an employee's withholding allowance certificate (Internal Revenue Service form W-4) or, at the employer's option, an equivalent form. The report must include at least the following: for a newly hired employee to the department electronically, in a manner prescribed by the department:
 - (1) The name, address, and Social Security number of the employee.
 - (2) The name, address, and federal tax identification number of the employer.
 - (3) The date of hire of the employee. services for remuneration were first performed by the employee.
 - (4) The current primary standardized occupational classification code of the employee.
 - (5) The starting compensation of the employee.
- (m) (j) An employer that has employees in two (2) or more states and that transmits reports under this section electronically or magnetically may comply with this section by doing the following:
 - (1) Designating one (1) state to receive each report.
 - (2) Notifying the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services which state will receive the reports.
 - (3) Transmitting the reports to the agency in the designated state that is charged with receiving the reports.
 - (n) (k) The department may impose the following as a civil penalty:
 - (1) Twenty-five dollars (\$25) on an employer that fails to comply with this section.
 - (2) Five hundred dollars (\$500) on an employer that fails to comply with this section if the failure is a result of a conspiracy between the employer and the employee to:
 - (A) not provide the required report; or
 - (B) provide a false or an incomplete report.
- (o) The department shall do the following with information received from an employer regarding newly hired employees:



- (1) Enter the information into the state's directory of new hires within five (5) business days of receipt.
- (2) Forward the information to the national directory of new hires not later than three (3) business days after the information is entered into the state's directory.

The state shall use quality control standards established by the administrators of the national directory of new hires.

- (p) (l) The information contained in the directory maintained under subsection (h) (f) is available only for use by the department for purposes required by 42 U.S.C. 653a, unless otherwise provided by law. for use by the department in a manner consistent with state and federal law.
- (q) (m) The department of child services (established under IC 31-25-1-1) shall:
 - (1) reimburse the department for a pro rata share of the costs incurred in carrying out this section using a cost allocation method described in 45 CFR 75.405; and
 - (2) enter into a purchase of service agreement with the department that establishes procedures necessary to administer this section.

SECTION 71. IC 22-4.1-1-6.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: **Sec. 6.5. "Workforce focused agency"** means the following:

- (1) The department.
- (2) The department of education established by IC 20-19-3-1.
- (3) The commission for higher education established by IC 21-18-2-1.
- (4) The governor's workforce cabinet established by IC 4-3-27-3.
- (5) The office of the secretary of family and social services established by IC 12-8-1.5-1.
- (6) Another state agency identified by the department.".

Page 59, delete lines 25 through 27, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"(b) For purposes of IC 22-4.1-24-3, "workforce related program" means a program (other than an apprenticeship program certified by the United States Department of Labor) offering incentives, funding, support, or guidance for any of the following purposes:".

Page 59, delete lines 36 through 40, begin a new line block indented and insert:



"(6) Any other program that has, at least in part, the goal of securing employment or better employment for an individual."

Page 60, delete lines 17 through 42.

Page 61, delete lines 1 through 20, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 73. IC 22-4.1-24-3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 3. (a) As used in this section, "management performance hub" refers to the management performance hub established by IC 4-3-26-8.

- (b) Not later than July 1, 2025, and before July 1 of each year thereafter, each workforce focused agency shall deliver to the management performance hub a workforce related program report.
- (c) The report described in subsection (b) must contain the following information regarding every individual who has participated in a workforce related program that was operated, delivered, or enabled by the workforce focused agency using public funds during the twelve (12) month period ending on the preceding March 31:
 - (1) The individual's name and date of birth.
 - (2) Either:
 - (A) the individual's Social Security number; or
 - (B) another identifier for the individual, so long as the department has approved the manner of identification for purposes of reporting under this section.
 - (3) The name of the program in which the individual enrolled.
 - (4) The date the individual began the program.
 - (5) The date the individual completed the program, or if the individual failed to complete the program, the date the individual exited the program.
 - (6) Any certificate or credential the individual earned through participation in the program.
 - (7) Any other relevant information specifically requested by the department or the governor's workforce cabinet not later than April 1 of each year.
- (d) A workforce focused agency shall deliver a report described in subsection (b) in a secure manner, as determined by the management performance hub.
- (e) This subsection applies to a contract entered into or renewed after June 30, 2024. A workforce focused agency may not enter



into a contract with a person to conduct, operate, or administer a workforce related program, unless the contract requires the person to transmit the information described in subsection (c)(1) through (c)(7) for all individuals participating in the workforce related program."

Page 61, after line 27, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 75. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The definitions used in IC 20-18-2 apply throughout this SECTION.

- (b) The department of education may, in a manner prescribed by the department, authorize all school corporations or charter schools to elect to either cancel school on April 8, 2024, or to use the day as a virtual student instructional day for the observance of the solar eclipse occurring on that date.
- (c) If a school corporation or charter school elects to, in accordance with the department's authorization described in subsection (b):
 - (1) use the day as a virtual student instructional day, notwithstanding IC 20-30-2-2.7, the virtual student day does not count towards the three (3) virtual student instructional days under IC 20-30-2-2.7; or
 - (2) cancel school, the canceled school day may not be used to penalize the school corporation or charter school under IC 20-30-2-4 for not meeting the one hundred eighty (180) student instructional days set forth in IC 20-30-2-3.
 - (d) This SECTION expires July 1, 2024.

SECTION 76. An emergency is declared for this act.".

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass and be reassigned to the Senate Committee on Appropriations.

(Reference is to HB 1243 as reprinted January 31, 2024.)

RAATZ, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 13, Nays 0.



COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Appropriations, to which was referred Engrossed House Bill No. 1243, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 6, delete lines 19 through 42.

Page 7, delete lines 1 through 9.

Page 22, delete lines 36 through 42.

Delete pages 23 through 24.

Page 25, delete lines 1 through 31.

Page 53, delete lines 31 through 42.

Page 54, delete lines 1 through 24.

Page 68, line 13, delete "(other than an apprenticeship".

Page 68, delete line 14.

Page 68, between lines 26 and 27, begin a new line blocked left and insert:

"The term does not include a United States Department of Labor certified multi-year apprenticeship program subject to a reporting requirement targeted at measuring the performance of the program."

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to EHB 1243 as printed February 23, 2024.)

MISHLER, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 13, Nays 0.

SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Engrossed House Bill 1243 be amended to read as follows:

Page 27, between lines 31 and 32, begin a new line block indented and insert:



"(5) Consider integrating data literacy and data science standards into a subject area being revised.".

(Reference is to EHB 1243 as printed March 1, 2024.)

RAATZ

SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Engrossed House Bill 1243 be amended to read as follows:

Page 7, between lines 30 and 31, begin a new line double block indented and insert:

- "(B) earned a top distinction established by an advanced course work program that:
 - (i) is nationally recognized for its rigor; and
 - (ii) includes an examination of student competency;".

Page 7, line 31, delete "(B)" and insert "(C)".

Page 7, line 32, delete "(C)" and insert "(D)".

Page 27, between lines 31 and 32, begin a new line block indented and insert:

"(5) Consider integrating data literacy and data science standards into a subject area being revised.".

Page 29, line 26, strike "subsection" and insert "subsections (a)(1) (before its expiration) and".

(Reference is to EHB 1243 as printed March 1, 2024.)

RAATZ

SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Engrossed House Bill 1243 be amended to read as follows:

Page 22, between lines 2 and 3, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 19. IC 20-28-9-28, AS AMENDED BY P.L.246-2023, SECTION 37, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 28. (a) For each school year in a state fiscal year beginning after June 30, 2023, a school corporation shall expend an amount for teacher compensation that is not less than an amount equal to sixty-two percent (62%) of the state tuition support distributed to the

school corporation during the state fiscal year. For purposes of determining whether a school corporation has complied with this requirement, the amount a school corporation expends for teacher compensation shall include the amount the school corporation expends for adjunct teachers, supplemental pay for teachers, stipends, and for participating in a special education cooperative or an interlocal agreement or consortium that is directly attributable to the compensation of teachers employed by the cooperative or interlocal agreement or consortium. Teacher benefits include all benefit categories collected by the department for Form 9 purposes.

- (b) If a school corporation determines that the school corporation cannot comply with the requirement under subsection (a) for a particular school year, the school corporation shall apply for a waiver from the department.
- (c) The waiver application must include an explanation of the financial challenges, with detailed data, that preclude the school corporation from meeting the requirement under subsection (a) and describe the cost saving measures taken by the school corporation in attempting to meet the requirement in subsection (a). The waiver may also include an explanation of an innovative or efficient approach in delivering instruction that is responsible for the school corporation being unable to meet the requirement under subsection (a).
- (d) If, after review, the department determines that the school corporation has exhausted all reasonable efforts in attempting to meet the requirement in subsection (a), the department may grant the school corporation a one (1) year exception from the requirement.
- (e) A school corporation that receives a waiver under this section shall work with the department to develop a plan to identify additional cost saving measures and any other steps that may be taken to allow the school corporation to meet the requirement under subsection (a).
- (f) A school corporation may not receive more than three (3) waivers under this section.
- (g) (b) Before November 1, 2022, and before November 1 of each year thereafter, the department shall submit a report to the legislative council in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6 and the state budget committee that contains information as to:
 - (1) the percent and amount that each school corporation expended and the statewide total expended for teacher compensation;
 - (2) the percent and amount that each school corporation expended and statewide total expended for teacher benefits, including health, dental, life insurance, and pension benefits; **and**
 - (3) whether the school corporation met the requirement set forth



in subsection (a). and

- (4) whether the school corporation received a waiver under subsection (d).
- (c) The department shall publish the report described in subsection (b) on the department's website.
- (d) Beginning after June 30, 2024, for each state fiscal year that a school corporation fails to expend the amount for teacher compensation as required under subsection (a), the department shall submit in both a written and an electronic format a notice to the school corporation's:
 - (1) superintendent;
 - (2) school business officer; and
 - (3) governing body;

that the school corporation failed to meet the requirements set forth in subsection (a) for the applicable state fiscal year.

- (e) If a school corporation's governing body receives a notice from the department under subsection (d), the school corporation shall do the following:
 - (1) Publicly acknowledge receipt of the notice from the department at the governing body's next public meeting.
 - (2) Enter into the governing body's official minutes for the meeting described in subdivision (1) acknowledgment of the notice.
 - (3) Not later than thirty (30) days after the meeting described in subdivision (1), publish on the school corporation's website:
 - (A) the department's notice; and
 - (B) any relevant individual reports prepared by the department.
- (f) If the department determines a school corporation that received one (1) or more notices from the department under subsection (d) has met the expenditure requirements required under subsection (a) for a subsequent state fiscal year, the school corporation may remove from the school corporation's website any:
 - (1) notices the school corporation received under subsection (d); and
 - (2) relevant individual reports prepared by the department under subsection (e)(3).".

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to EHB 1243 as printed March 1, 2024.)

RAATZ



SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Engrossed House Bill 1243 be amended to read as follows:

Page 33, delete lines 38 through 42, begin a new paragraph and insert:

- "(b) Beginning in 2029, in addition to completing the graduation requirements set forth in this article, an individual must successfully complete instruction on computer science as a separate subject to be eligible to graduate from high school. The computer science instruction must:
 - (1) to the extent feasible, be taught in person; and
 - (2) cover the following:
 - (A) Algorithms and programming.
 - (B) Computing systems.
 - (C) Data and analysis.
 - (D) Impacts of computing.
 - (E) Networks and the Internet.".

Page 34, delete lines 1 through 4.

(Reference is to EHB 1243 as printed March 1, 2024.)

RAATZ

SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Engrossed House Bill 1243 be amended to read as follows:

Page 1, delete lines 1 through 15.

Delete pages 2 through 5.

Page 6, delete lines 1 through 12.

Page 29, line 26, strike "subsection" and insert "subsections (a)(1) (before its expiration) and".

Page 59, delete lines 41 through 42.

Delete pages 60 through 63.

Page 64, delete lines 1 through 5.

Page 64, delete lines 24 through 42.

Page 65, delete lines 1 through 22.

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to EHB 1243 as printed March 1, 2024.)

RAATZ

