HOUSE BILL No. 1376

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 20-34-4.5.

Synopsis: Opioid overdose reversal medication in schools. Sets forth certain requirements concerning FDA approved opioid overdose reversal medication.

Effective: July 1, 2025.

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January 13, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.



Introduced

First Regular Session of the 124th General Assembly (2025)

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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 20-34-4.5-0.2, AS ADDED BY P.L.117-2017, |
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| 2 | SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE |
| 3 | JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 0.2. As used in this chapter, "emergency |
| 4 | medication" means any of the following: |
| 5 | (1) Albuterol. |
| 6 | (2) Epinephrine. |
| 7 | (3) Naloxone, A federal Food and Drug Administration |
| 8 | approved opioid overdose reversal medication, including |
| 9 | nasal spray, as an overdose intervention drug that is subject to |
| 10 | IC 16-42-27. |
| 11 | SECTION 2. IC 20-34-4.5-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.164-2023, |
| 12 | SECTION 55, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE |
| 13 | JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 1. (a) Except as provided in subsection (c), a |
| 14 | school or a school corporation may: |
| 15 | (1) fill a prescription or statewide standing order for an |
| 16 | emergency medication; and |
| 17 | (2) store the emergency medication: |



| 1 | (A) if the prescription or statewide standing order is filled by |
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| 2 | a school, in the school; or |
| 3 | (B) if the prescription or statewide standing order is filled by |
| 4 | a school corporation, in a school in the school corporation; |
| 5 | and |
| 6 | (3) work in cooperation with an opioid overdose prevention |
| 7 | organization to carry out the purposes of this chapter; |
| 8 | if a health care provider who is licensed in Indiana and whose scope of |
| 9 | practice includes the prescribing of medication writes the prescription |
| 10 | or the state health commissioner issues a statewide standing order for |
| 11 | the emergency medication for the school or school corporation. |
| 12 | (b) The school shall store the emergency medication in a safe |
| 13 | location in which only school employees have access. |
| 14 | (c) A school or a school corporation shall: |
| 15 | (1) fill a statewide standing order or prescription for a federal |
| 16 | Food and Drug Administration approved opioid overdose |
| 17 | reversal medication, including nasal spray; and |
| 18 | (2) store the medication described in subdivision (1) in a |
| 19 | location in the school that is readily accessible for use by a |
| 20 | school nurse or by a school employee who has received |
| 21 | training described in section 2 of this chapter. |
| 22 | SECTION 3. IC 20-34-4.5-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.164-2023, |
| 23 | SECTION 56, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE |
| 24 | JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 3. (a) A health care provider who is licensed in |
| 25 | Indiana and whose scope of practice includes the prescribing of |
| 26 | medication may: |
| 27 | (1) write; or |
| 28 | (2) transmit in an electronic format for an electronically |
| 29 | transmitted prescription; |
| 30 | a prescription, drug order, or protocol for an emergency medication for |
| 31 | a school or school corporation. |
| 32 | (b) Except as provided in subsection (d), the state health |
| 33 | commissioner or the state health commissioner's designee who is a |
| 34 | licensed prescriber may issue a statewide standing order, prescription, |
| 35 | or protocol for emergency stock medication for schools or school |
| 36 | corporations. |
| 37 | (c) Except as provided in subsection (e), a pharmacist licensed |
| 38 | under IC 25-26 may dispense a valid prescription, drug order, standing |
| 39 | order, or protocol for an emergency medication issued in the name of |
| 40 | a school or school corporation. |
| 41 | (d) The state health commissioner or the state health |
| 42 | commissioner's designee who is a licensed prescriber shall issue a |
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| 1 | statewide standing order, prescription, or protocol for a federal |
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| 2 | Food and Drug Administration approved opioid overdose reversal |
| 3 | medication, including nasal spray, for each: |
| 4 | (1) school; or |
| 5 | (2) school corporation on behalf of each school. |
| 6 | The standing order, prescription, or protocol shall provide at least |
| 7 | two (2) individual doses of a federal Food and Drug Administration |
| 8 | approved opioid overdose reversal medication per five hundred |
| 9 | (500) students enrolled at a school. |
| 10 | (e) A pharmacist licensed under IC 25-26 shall dispense a valid |
| 11 | prescription, drug order, standing order, or protocol for a federal |
| 12 | Food and Drug Administration approved opioid overdose reversal |
| 13 | medication issued in the name of a school or a school corporation |
| 14 | on behalf of each school. |

