HOUSE BILL No. 1412

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Citations Affected: IC 4-30-3-20; IC 6-8.1-3-28; IC 11-8-2-16; IC 12-13-14-13.5; IC 12-14-30; IC 12-15; IC 16-37-1-10; IC 22-4.1-2-4.

Synopsis: Eligibility for public assistance. Requires the division of family resources (division) of the family and social services administration (FSSA) to: (1) enter into information sharing agreements with: (A) the state lottery commission; (B) the state department of health; (C) the department of workforce development; (D) the department of state revenue; and (E) the department of correction; and (2) review information received by FSSA with regard to individuals receiving assistance under the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP); for purposes of determining the continuing SNAP eligibility of individuals receiving SNAP assistance. Allows the division to enter into an agreement with any other public or private entity for purposes of obtaining information pertinent to determining the continuing SNAP eligibility of individuals receiving SNAP assistance. Requires the division, in cooperation with state or federal law enforcement entities as necessary, to annually conduct an onsite inspection of each retailer located in Indiana that participates in the electronic benefits transfer (EBT) program for purposes of identifying fraudulent EBT transactions. Requires a household receiving SNAP assistance to report a change in circumstances affecting the household's SNAP eligibility to the division not later than 10 days after the household becomes aware of the change. Requires the division to post on the division's Internet web site aggregated, nonconfidential, nonidentifying information regarding the division's findings of noncompliance and fraud with regard to the SNAP program. Prohibits consideration of noncash or in-kind public assistance benefits for purposes of determining an individual's categorical eligibility for (Continued next page)

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SNAP assistance. Requires FSSA to: (1) enter into information sharing agreements with: (A) the state lottery commission; (B) the state department of health; (C) the department of workforce development; (D) the department of state revenue; and (E) the department of correction; and (2) review information received by FSSA with regard to individuals receiving Medicaid; for purposes of determining the continuing Medicaid eligibility of individuals receiving Medicaid. Allows FSSA to enter into an agreement with any other public or private entity for purposes of obtaining information pertinent to determining the continuing Medicaid eligibility of individuals receiving Medicaid. Requires FSSA to request approval from the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services for a waiver allowing FSSA to: (1) deny benefits under; and (2) prohibit reenrollment in; Medicaid for not less than six months for a nondisabled, nonpregnant individual not less than 19 years of age and not more than 64 years of age who fails to report to FSSA changes in circumstances that affect the individual's Medicaid eligibility. Requires FSSA to post on FSSA's Internet web site aggregated, nonconfidential, nonidentifying information regarding FSSA's findings of noncompliance and fraud with regard to the Medicaid program. Prohibits a county office of the division from: (1) determining an individual's Medicaid eligibility based solely on a determination regarding the individual's eligibility for Medicaid made by a health benefit exchange established under the federal Affordable Care Act; or (2) accepting for purposes of determining an individual's eligibility for Medicaid the individual's attestation as to the individual's income, age, household composition, status as a caretaker, familial relationships, or receipt of benefits under another state or federal assistance program.



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HOUSE BILL No. 1412

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

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

1	SECTION 1. IC 4-30-3-20 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2	AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3	1, 2022]: Sec. 20. (a) The commission shall enter into an
4	information sharing agreement with the division of family
5	resources under IC 12-14-30-7(a) under which the commission
6	shall provide to the division of family resources such information
7	as necessary for the division of family resources to comply with
8	IC 12-14-30-7(a).
9	(b) The commission shall enter into an information sharing

(b) The commission shall enter into an information sharing 10 agreement with the office of the secretary of family and social services under IC 12-15-1-23(a) under which the commission shall 12 provide to the office of the secretary of family and social services 13 such information as necessary for the office of the secretary of family and social services to comply with IC 12-15-1-23(a). 14

15 SECTION 2. IC 6-8.1-3-28 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE 16 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 17 1, 2022]: Sec. 28. (a) The department shall enter into an



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information sharing agreement with the division of family
 resources under IC 12-14-30-7(e) under which the department
 shall, not less than once every three (3) months, provide to the
 division of family resources such information as necessary for the
 division of family resources to comply with IC 12-14-30-7(e).

6 (b) The department shall enter into an information sharing 7 agreement with the office of the secretary of family and social 8 services under IC 12-15-1-23(e) under which the department shall 9 provide to the office of the secretary of family and social services 10 such information as necessary for the office of the secretary of 11 family and social services to comply with IC 12-15-1-23(e).

12 SECTION 3. IC 11-8-2-16 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE 13 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 14 1, 2022]: Sec. 16. (a) The department shall enter into an 15 information sharing agreement with the division of family 16 resources under IC 12-14-30-7(f) under which the department 17 shall, not less than once each month, provide to the division of 18 family resources such information as necessary for the division of 19 family resources to comply with IC 12-14-30-7(f).

20(b) The department shall enter into an information sharing21agreement with the office of the secretary of family and social22services under IC 12-15-1-23(f) under which the department shall,23not less than once each month, provide to the office of the secretary24of family and social services such information as necessary for the25office of the secretary of family and social services to comply with26IC 12-15-1-23(f).

SECTION 4. IC 12-13-14-13.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 13.5. (a) The division shall, in
cooperation with state or federal law enforcement entities as
necessary, annually conduct an onsite inspection of each retailer
located in Indiana that participates in the EBT program.
(b) In conducting an inspection under subsection (a), the

(b) In conducting an inspection under subsection (a), the division shall:

(1) identify any suspicious EBT transaction records or
amounts indicating the possibility of trafficking of EBT
benefits or other criminal activity; and

38 (2) refer any suspicious EBT transaction records or amounts
39 identified under subdivision (1) to the appropriate state or
40 federal law enforcement entities for investigation.

41 SECTION 5. IC 12-14-30-4, AS ADDED BY P.L.207-2017,
42 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE



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1 JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 4. (a) The division shall notify the United States 2 Department of Agriculture and take any other action necessary for the 3 state to: 4 (1) elect to participate in; and 5 (2) implement, beginning January 1, 2018; 6 expanded categorical eligibility within SNAP. 7 (b) Subject to subsection (c), the division shall implement for the 8 expanded categorical eligibility a countable asset limitation for 9 resources that does not exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000). In 10 determining whether an individual meets the resource requirement of this subsection, an individual's funeral and burial resources, including 11 12 both revocable and irrevocable resources, may not be counted. 13 (c) Except to the extent required by federal law, the division 14 may not consider noncash or in-kind benefits received by an 15 individual under this title for purposes of determining the 16 individual's categorical eligibility for SNAP assistance under 7 17 U.S.C. 2014(a) or 7 CFR 273.2(j)(2)(iii). 18 (c) (d) The division may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 necessary to 19 implement this section. 20 (d) (e) Before November 1, 2018, the division shall submit a report in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6 to the legislative council 21 22 concerning the projected total amounts that individuals receiving 23 SNAP benefits would be required to repay over the period beginning 24 January 1, 2018, and ending December 31, 2019, due to positive errors, 25 in which individuals are approved for an amount in error and then are required to repay the amount. The projected total amounts must be 26 27 based on the amounts that individuals receiving SNAP benefits have 28 been required to repay over the period beginning January 1, 2018, and 29 ending September 30, 2018, due to positive errors. 30 SECTION 6. IC 12-14-30-7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE 31 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 32 1, 2022]: Sec. 7. (a) The division: 33 (1) shall enter into an information sharing agreement with the 34 state lottery commission that allows the division to identify an 35 individual who: 36 (A) is receiving SNAP assistance; and 37 (B) receives a prize payment from the state lottery 38 commission under IC 4-30 in an amount greater than the 39 amount of the maximum allowable liquid and non-liquid 40 financial resources specified by 7 CFR 273.8(b) for 41 households that include one (1) or more members who are 42 elderly or have a disability;



1 (2) to the extent not inconsistent with federal law, shall 2 consider information received under subdivision (1) with 3 regard to an individual to be verified upon receipt for 4 purposes of determining whether the prize payment changes 5 the eligibility of the individual's household for SNAP 6 assistance; 7 (3) to the extent the division may not consider information 8 received from the state lottery commission to be verified upon 9 receipt under subdivision (2), shall investigate to identify 10 households that include an individual described in subdivision 11 (1); and 12 (4) shall determine the degree to which a prize payment from 13 the state lottery commission received by an individual 14 identified under this subsection changes the eligibility of the 15 individual's household for SNAP assistance. 16 (b) The division: 17 (1) shall enter into an information sharing agreement with the 18 state department of health that allows the division to identify 19 individuals receiving SNAP assistance who have died; 20 (2) shall, at least once each month, review the information 21 provided to the division under subdivision (1) to identify 22 individuals described in subdivision (1); and 23 (3) shall determine the degree to which the death of an 24 individual identified under subdivision (2) changes the 25 eligibility of the individual's household for SNAP assistance. 26 (c) The division: 27 (1) shall enter into an information sharing agreement with the 28 department of workforce development that allows the division 29 to determine whether: 30 (A) wage and employment information; or 31 (B) unemployment benefit information; 32 has changed with regard to an individual receiving SNAP 33 assistance; 34 (2) shall, at least once every three (3) months, review the 35 information received by the division under subdivision (1)(A) 36 to identify individuals receiving SNAP assistance for whom 37 information described in subdivision (1)(A) has changed; 38 (3) shall, at least once every two (2) months, review the 39 information received by the division under subdivision (1)(B) 40 to identify individuals receiving SNAP assistance for whom 41 information described in subdivision (1)(B) has changed; and 42 (4) shall determine the degree to which a change in the



1	information described in subdivision (1) with regard to an
2	individual identified under subdivision (2) or (3) changes the
3	eligibility of the individual's household for SNAP assistance.
4	(d) The division shall, not less than once each month:
5	(1) review information received by the office of the secretary
6	in the immediately preceding month regarding an individual
7	receiving SNAP assistance, including records of the
8	individual's electronic benefits transfer transactions; and
9	(2) determine whether the information described in
10	subdivision (1), including the locations at which the
11	individual's electronic benefits transfer transactions occurred,
12	contains evidence of a change in the individual's residency for
13	purposes of the eligibility of the individual's household for
14	SNAP assistance.
15	(e) The division:
16	(1) shall enter into an information sharing agreement with the
17	department of state revenue that allows the division to
18	determine whether information reported to the department of
19	state revenue for tax purposes by an individual receiving
20	SNAP assistance has changed;
21	(2) shall, at least once every three (3) months, review the
22	information received by the division under subdivision (1) to
23	identify individuals receiving SNAP assistance for whom
24	information described in subdivision (1) has changed; and
25	(3) shall determine the degree to which a change in
26	information reported for tax purposes by an individual
27	identified under subdivision (2) changes the eligibility of the
28	individual's household for SNAP assistance.
29	(f) The division:
30	(1) shall enter into an information sharing agreement with the
31	department of correction that allows the division to determine
32	whether an individual receiving SNAP assistance is
33	incarcerated;
34	(2) shall, at least once each month, review the information
35	received by the division under subdivision (1) to identify
36	individuals receiving SNAP assistance who are incarcerated;
37	and
38	(3) shall determine the degree to which the incarceration of an
39	individual identified under subdivision (2) changes the
40	eligibility of the individual's household for SNAP assistance.
41	(g) If the division receives information under this section:
42	(1) regarding an individual receiving SNAP assistance; and



1 (2) indicating a change in circumstances affecting the 2 individual's continued eligibility for SNAP assistance; 3 the division shall review the SNAP eligibility of the individual and 4 the individual's household. 5 (h) The division may enter into an agreement with any other 6 public or private entity for purposes of obtaining information pertinent to the determination of the continuing SNAP eligibility 7 8 of individuals receiving SNAP assistance. 9 (i) The division shall adopt rules under IC 4-2-22 necessary to 10 implement this section. 11 SECTION 7. IC 12-14-30-8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE 12 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 13 1, 2022]: Sec. 8. A household receiving SNAP assistance shall 14 report a change in circumstances described in 7 CFR 273.12(a)(1) 15 to the division not later than ten (10) days after the household 16 becomes aware of the change in circumstances. 17 SECTION 8. IC 12-14-30-9 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE 18 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 19 1, 2022]: Sec. 9. At least once every three (3) months, the division 20 shall post on the division's Internet web site aggregated, 21 nonconfidential, nonidentifying information regarding the 22 division's findings of noncompliance and fraud with regard to the 23 SNAP program during the immediately preceding three (3) 24 calendar months, including: 25 (1) the number of households investigated for intentional 26 program violations or fraud; 27 (2) the number of households described in subdivision (1) with 28 respect to which a member of the household was prosecuted 29 for fraud with respect to the individual's receipt of SNAP 30 assistance; (3) the: 31 32 (A) number and total amount of fraudulent SNAP 33 payments and expenditures; and 34 (B) proportion that the number and total amount of SNAP 35 payments and expenditures described under clause (A) 36 bears to the number and total amount of SNAP payments 37 and expenditures; 38 (4) the total amount of SNAP funds expended through EBT 39 transactions by Indiana residents receiving SNAP assistance 40 that occurred in states other than Indiana; and 41 (5) the amount of fraudulent SNAP payments and 42 expenditures recovered.



1	SECTION 9. IC 12-15-1-23 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2	AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3	1, 2022]: Sec. 23. (a) The:
4	(1) office of the secretary:
5	(A) shall enter into an information sharing agreement with
6	the state lottery commission that allows the office of the
7	secretary to identify an individual who:
8	(i) is receiving Medicaid; and
9	(ii) receives a prize payment from the state lottery
10	commission under IC 4-30 in an amount greater than the
11	amount of the maximum allowable liquid and non-liquid
12	financial resources specified by 7 CFR 273.8(b) for
13	households that include one (1) or more members who
14	are elderly or have a disability; and
15	(B) shall forward information regarding an individual
16	identified by the office of the secretary under clause (A) to
17	the local office of the individual's county of residence; and
18	(2) local office that receives information regarding an
19	individual under subdivision (1)(B) shall determine the degree
20	to which the prize payment changes the eligibility of the
21	individual's household for Medicaid.
22	An individual who is receiving Medicaid and is found under this
23	subsection to have failed to report lottery winnings to the office of
24	the secretary for purposes of the individual's Medicaid eligibility
25	presumptively commits an intentional Medicaid program violation.
26	(b) The:
27	(1) office of the secretary:
28	(A) shall enter into an information sharing agreement with
29	the state department of health that allows the office of the
30	secretary to identify individuals receiving Medicaid who
31	have died; and
32	(B) shall, at least once each month:
33	(i) review the information provided to the office of the
34	secretary under clause (A) to identify individuals
35	receiving Medicaid who have died; and
36	(ii) forward information regarding an individual
37	identified under item (i) to the local office of the
38	individual's county of residence; and
39 40	(2) local office that receives information regarding an (1) (D)(ii) shall determine the
40	individual under subdivision (1)(B)(ii) shall determine the
41	degree to which the death of the individual changes the
42	eligibility of the individual's household for Medicaid.



1	(c) The:
	(1) office of the secretary:
3	(A) shall enter into an information sharing agreement with
4	the department of workforce development that allows the
2 3 4 5	office of the secretary to determine whether:
6	(i) wage and employment information; or
7	(ii) unemployment benefit information;
8	has changed with regard to an individual receiving
9	Medicaid;
10	(B) shall, at least once every three (3) months:
11	(i) review the information received by the office of the
12	secretary under subdivision (1)(A)(i) to identify
13	individuals receiving Medicaid for whom information
14	described in subdivision (1)(A)(i) has changed; and
15	(ii) forward the findings of the office of the secretary
16	under item (i) to the local office of the county of
17	residence of the individual identified under item (i) to
18	whom the findings pertain; and
19	(C) shall, at least once every two (2) months:
20	(i) review the information received by the office of the
21	secretary under subdivision (1)(A)(ii) to identify
22	individuals receiving Medicaid for whom information
23	described in subdivision (1)(A)(ii) has changed; and
24	(ii) forward the findings of the office of the secretary
25	under item (i) to the local office of the county of
26	residence of the individual identified under item (i) to
27	whom the findings pertain; and
28	(2) local office that receives information regarding an
29	individual under subdivision (1)(B)(ii) or (1)(C)(ii) shall
30	determine the degree to which the information changes the
31	eligibility of the individual's household for Medicaid.
32	(d) The:
33	(1) office of the secretary shall, not less than once each month:
34	(A) review information received by the office of the
35	secretary in the immediately preceding month regarding
36	an individual receiving Medicaid, including records of the
37	individual's electronic benefits transfer transactions under
38	IC 12-13-14;
39 40	(B) determine whether the information described in clause
40	(A) contains evidence of a change in the individual's
41	residency; and
42	(C) forward the findings of the office of the secretary with



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1 2	regard to a change in an individual's residency under
23	clause (B) to the local office of the individual's county of residence; and
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4 5	(2) local office shall determine the degree to which the information received by the local office recording on
6	information received by the local office regarding an individual under subdivision $(1)(C)$ shows the align bility of
7	individual under subdivision (1)(C) changes the eligibility of the individual's household for Medicaid.
8	(e) The:
8 9	(1) office of the secretary:
10	(A) shall enter into an information sharing agreement with
10	the department of state revenue that allows the office of
12	the secretary to determine whether information reported
12	to the department of state revenue for tax purposes by an
14	individual receiving Medicaid has changed; and
15	(B) shall, at least once every three (3) months:
16	(i) review the information received by the office of the
17	secretary under clause (A) to identify individuals
18	receiving Medicaid for whom information described in
19	clause (A) has changed; and
20	(ii) forward the findings of the office of the secretary
21	under item (i) to the local office of the county of
22	residence of the individual identified under item (i) to
23	whom the findings pertain; and
24	(2) local office that receives information regarding an
25	individual under subdivision (1)(B)(ii) shall determine the
26	degree to which the information changes the eligibility of the
27	individual's household for Medicaid.
28	(f) The:
29	(1) office of the secretary:
30	(A) shall enter into an information sharing agreement with
31	the department of correction that allows the office of the
32	secretary to determine whether an individual receiving
33	Medicaid is incarcerated;
34	(B) shall, at least once each month:
35	(i) review the information received by the office of the
36	secretary under clause (A) to identify individuals
37	receiving Medicaid who are incarcerated; and
38	(ii) forward the findings of the office of the secretary
39	under item (i) to the local office of the county of
40	residence of the individual identified under item (i) to
41	whom the findings pertain; and
42	(2) local office that receives information regarding an

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1 individual under subdivision (1)(B)(ii) shall determine the 2 degree to which the information changes the eligibility of the 3 individual's household for Medicaid. 4 (g) If the office of the secretary receives information under this 5 section: 6 (1) regarding an individual receiving Medicaid; and 7 (2) indicating a change in circumstances affecting the 8 individual's continued eligibility for Medicaid; 9 the local office of the county of residence of the individual shall 10 review the Medicaid eligibility of the individual and the 11 individual's household. 12 (h) The office of the secretary may enter into an agreement with 13 any other public or private entity for purposes of obtaining 14 information pertinent to the determination of the continuing 15 Medicaid eligibility of individuals receiving Medicaid. (i) The office of the secretary shall adopt rules under IC 4-2-22 16 17 necessary to implement this section. SECTION 10. IC 12-15-1-24 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA 18 19 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS 20 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 24. (a) Not later than January 1, 21 2023, the office of the secretary shall request approval from the 22 United States Secretary of Health and Human Services under a 23 section 1115 demonstration waiver to: 24 (1) deny benefits under; and 25 (2) prohibit reenrollment in; 26 Medicaid for not less than six (6) months for a nondisabled, 27 nonpregnant individual not less than nineteen (19) years of age and 28 not more than sixty-four (64) years of age who fails to report to the 29 office of the secretary changes in circumstances that affect the 30 individual's Medicaid eligibility. 31 (b) If a request submitted by the office of the secretary under 32 subsection (a) is denied by the United States Secretary of Health 33 and Human Services, the office of the secretary shall submit a new 34 request under subsection (a): 35 (1) not later than twenty-four (24) months after the denial; 36 and 37 (2) not later than twenty-four (24) months after any 38 subsequent denial. 39 SECTION 11. IC 12-15-1-25 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA 40 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS 41 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 25. At least once every three (3) 42 months, the office of the secretary shall post on the office of the



1 secretary's Internet web site aggregated, nonconfidential, 2 nonidentifying information regarding the office of the secretary's 3 findings of noncompliance and fraud with regard to the Medicaid 4 program during the immediately preceding three (3) calendar 5 months, including: 6 (1) the number of households investigated for intentional 7 program violations or fraud; 8 (2) the number of households described in subdivision (1) with 9 respect to which a member of the household was prosecuted 10 for Medicaid fraud; 11 (3) the: 12 (A) number and total amount of fraudulent Medicaid 13 payments and expenditures; and (B) proportion that the number and total amount of 14 15 Medicaid payments and expenditures described under 16 clause (A) bears to the number and total amount of 17 Medicaid payments and expenditures; and 18 (4) the amount of fraudulent Medicaid payments and 19 expenditures recovered. 20 SECTION 12. IC 12-15-2-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS 21 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 2. (a) The county office 22 shall determine eligibility and shall certify to the office at the time and 23 in the manner required by the office a list of individuals who have been 24 found eligible to receive Medicaid and the effective date for the 25 payment of assistance under this chapter. The date must be one (1) 26 month before the first day of the month in which the application or 27 request is made. 28 (b) A county office may not determine an individual's eligibility 29 for Medicaid based solely on a determination regarding the 30 individual's eligibility for Medicaid made by a health benefit 31 exchange established under 42 U.S.C. 18041(c). 32 (c) A county office may not accept for purposes of determining 33 an individual's eligibility for Medicaid the individual's attestation 34 as to the individual's income, age, household composition, status as 35 a caretaker, familial relationships, or receipt of benefits under 36 another state or federal assistance program. 37 (d) A county office shall periodically review available sources of 38

income data to determine the continuing eligibility of individuals found by the county office to be eligible for Medicaid. A county office may not request authority to waive the county office's obligation under this subsection.

SECTION 13. IC 16-37-1-10, AS AMENDED BY P.L.138-2019,



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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11	 SECTION 6, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022]: Sec. 10. (a) Information contained in a birth record is confidential and may be disclosed only in accordance with this article. (b) Except as provided in subsections (c) and (d), the records and files of the division of the state department concerning vital statistics are subject to this article and rules of the state department. Data contained in the records and files may be disclosed only as follows: (1) The state registrar shall permit inspection of the records or issue a certified copy of a certificate or part of a certificate only if the state registrar is satisfied of the following: (A) That the applicant has a direct interest in the matter
12	recorded.
13	(B) That the information is necessary for the determination of
14	personal or property rights or for compliance with state or
15	federal law.
16	The state registrar's decision is subject to review by the state
17	department or a court under this section.
18	(2) The state department may disclose identifiable vital statistics
19	information to a legitimate researcher, if the researcher complies
20	with the following requirements:
21	(A) The researcher states in writing to the state department the
22	purpose, including:
23	(i) any intent to publish findings;
24	(ii) the nature of the data sought;
25	(iii) the personal information that would be required; and
26	(iv) the safeguards that will be taken to protect the identity
27	of the data subjects.
28	(B) The researcher executes an agreement with the state
29	department, on a form approved by the oversight committee on
30	public records established under IC 5-15-5.1-18, that:
31	(i) incorporates safeguards for protection of individual data
32	subjects;
33	(ii) defines the scope of the research project; and
34	(iii) informs the researcher that failure to abide by
35	conditions of the approved agreement constitutes a breach
36	of contract and could result in civil litigation by any data
37	subject.
38	(C) The researcher agrees to pay any direct or indirect costs of
39	the research.
40	The state department shall determine whether the proposed
41	safeguards are adequate to prevent the identity of an individual
42	data subject from being known before approving the agreement.



1	Upon execution of an agreement described in this subdivision, the
2	state department shall maintain a copy of the agreement for the
3	duration of the agreement's effective date.
4	(3) In any extraordinary case that the state registrar determines is
5	a direct tangible and legitimate public interest.
6	(c) Notwithstanding subsection (b)(1) through (b)(3), a certificate
7	of death received by a local health department (as defined in
8	IC 16-18-2-211) or the state department is a public record that, upon
9	request, must be made available for inspection and copying if:
10	(1) the copy made of the certificate of death is not a certified
11	copy;
12	(2) any Social Security number that appears on the certificate of
13	death is redacted; and
14	(3) any charge or fee that is due under section 9, 11, or 11.5 of
15	this chapter is collected.
16	(d) The birth record of an adopted child remains subject to the
17	confidentiality provisions of IC 31-19 regarding the release of adoption
18	information.
19	(e) The state registrar may deny a request to inspect or copy a record
20	concerning vital statistics that is in the state registrar's possession if the
20	state registrar has a reasonable suspicion that releasing the record may
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22	result in fraud or identity theft.
23 24	(f) The state department shall enter into an information sharing
24 25	agreement with the division of family resources under
23 26	IC 12-14-30-7(b) under which the department shall, not less than
20 27	once each month, provide to the division of family resources such
27	information as necessary for the division of family resources to $a = 12, 14, 20, 7(b)$
28 29	comply with IC 12-14-30-7(b).
29 30	(g) The state department shall enter into an information sharing
30 31	agreement with the office of the secretary of family and social $C_{12} = 15 + 1 + 22$ (b) and denotice the state demonstrates
31 32	services under IC 12-15-1-23(b) under which the state department
32 33	shall provide to the office of the secretary of family and social
33 34	services such information as necessary for the office of the
34 35	secretary of family and social services to comply with IC 12-15-1-23(b).
36	SECTION 14. IC 22-4.1-2-4 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
37	AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
38	1, 2022]: Sec. 4. (a) The department shall enter into an information
39 40	sharing agreement with the division of family resources under
40	IC 12-14-30-7(c) under which the department:
41	(1) shall, not less than once every three (3) months, provide to
42	the division of family resources such information regarding



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1	wages and employment; and
2	(2) shall, not less than once every two (2) months, provide to
3	the division of family resources such information regarding
4	payment of unemployment benefits;
5	as necessary for the division of family resources to comply with
6	IC 12-14-30-7(c).
7	(b) The department shall enter into an information sharing
8	agreement with the office of the secretary of family and social
9	services under IC 12-15-1-23(c) under which the department:
10	(1) shall, not less than once every three (3) months, provide to
11	the office of the secretary of family and social services such
12	information regarding wages and employment; and
13	(2) shall, not less than once every two (2) months, provide to
14	the office of the secretary of family and social services such
15	information regarding payment of unemployment benefits;
16	as necessary for the office of the secretary of family and social
17	services to comply with IC 12-15-1-23(c).

