

SENATE BILL No. 17

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 20-33-8-18.

Synopsis: Credit for work completed during suspension. Requires that a principal or a principal's designee ensure that a suspended student receives credit, in the same manner as a student who is not suspended would receive, for any assignments or school work assigned during the period of the student's suspension that the student completes.

Effective: July 1, 2020.

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January 6, 2020, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.



Second Regular Session of the 121st General Assembly (2020)

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

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

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2019 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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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 20-33-8-18, AS AMENDED BY P.L.94-2019,
2 SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2020]: Sec. 18. (a) A principal may suspend a student for not
4 more than ten (10) school days under section 14, 15, or 16 of this
5 chapter. However, the student may be suspended for more than ten (10)
6 school days under section 23 of this chapter.

7 (b) A principal may not suspend a student before the principal
8 affords the student an opportunity for a meeting during which the
9 student is entitled to the following:

10 (1) A written or an oral statement of the charges against the
11 student.

12 (2) If the student denies the charges, a summary of the evidence
13 against the student.

14 (3) An opportunity for the student to explain the student's
15 conduct.

16 (c) When misconduct requires immediate removal of a student, the
17 meeting under subsection (b) must begin as soon as reasonably possible



- 1 after the student's suspension.
- 2 (d) Following a suspension, the principal shall send a written
3 statement to the parent of the suspended student describing the
4 following:
- 5 (1) The student's misconduct.
6 (2) The action taken by the principal.
- 7 (e) If a student is suspended, the student is required to complete all
8 assignments and school work assigned during the period of the
9 student's suspension. The principal or the principal's designee shall
10 ensure that the student receives:
- 11 (1) notice of any assignments or school work due; ~~and~~
12 (2) teacher contact information in the event the student has
13 questions regarding the assignments or school work; **and**
14 (3) **credit, in the same manner that a student who is not**
15 **suspended would receive, for any assignments or school work**
16 **assigned during the period of the student's suspension that the**
17 **student completes.**
- 18 A student may be allowed to make up missed tests or quizzes when the
19 student returns to school.

