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Citations Affected: IC 20-20; IC 20-26; noncode.

Synopsis: School resource officers. Requires the commission on seclusion and restraint in schools (commission) to adopt rules concerning reporting requirements for the use of seclusion and restraint by school resource officers. Requires that the commission include a member of the National Association of School Resource Officers. Provides that a school corporation, accredited nonpublic school, or charter school must report incidents of seclusion and restraint involving a school resource officer. Provides that the commission may adopt emergency rules under IC 4-22-2-37.1. Voids a rule adopted by the commission that excludes school resource officers from the reporting requirements.

Effective: July 1, 2017.

**Head, Raatz, Bohacek,
Randolph Lonnie M**

January 3, 2017, read first time and referred to Committee on Civil Law.
February 21, 2017, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.
February 23, 2017, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.

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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 20-20-40-11, AS ADDED BY P.L.122-2013,
2 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2017]: Sec. 11. (a) The commission on seclusion and restraint
4 in schools is established.
5 (b) The commission has the following ~~nine (9)~~ **ten (10)** members:
6 (1) The designee of the state superintendent, who serves at the
7 pleasure of the state superintendent.
8 (2) A representative of the Autism Society of Indiana, chosen by
9 the organization, who serves a two (2) year term.
10 (3) A representative of the Arc of Indiana, chosen by the
11 organization, who serves a two (2) year term.
12 (4) A representative of the Indiana Council of Administrators of
13 Special Education, chosen by the organization, who serves a two
14 (2) year term.
15 (5) A representative of Mental Health America of Indiana, chosen
16 by the organization, who serves a two (2) year term.
17 (6) A parent of a student with a disability, nominated by a

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1 member described in subdivisions (1) through (5) and approved
 2 by a majority of the members described in subdivisions (1)
 3 through (5), who serves a two (2) year term.

4 (7) A parent of a student who does not have a disability,
 5 nominated by a member described in subdivisions (1) through (5)
 6 and approved by a majority of the members described in
 7 subdivisions (1) through (5), who serves a two (2) year term.

8 (8) One (1) accredited nonpublic school administrator nominated
 9 by the Indiana Non-public Education Association, who serves a
 10 two (2) year term.

11 (9) One (1) public school superintendent nominated by the
 12 Indiana Association of Public School Superintendents, who serves
 13 a two (2) year term.

14 **(10) One (1) member of the National Association for School**
 15 **Resource Officers, chosen by the organization, who serves a**
 16 **two (2) year term.**

17 (c) Each member of the commission who is not a state employee is
 18 entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by IC 4-10-11-2.1(b).
 19 A member who is not a state employee is also entitled to
 20 reimbursement for traveling expenses and other expenses actually
 21 incurred in connection with the member's duties, as provided in the
 22 state travel policies and procedures established by the Indiana
 23 department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

24 SECTION 2. IC 20-20-40-13, AS ADDED BY P.L.122-2013,
 25 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 26 JULY 1, 2017]: Sec. 13. (a) The commission has the following duties:

27 (1) To adopt rules concerning the following:

28 (A) The use of restraint and seclusion in a school corporation
 29 or an accredited nonpublic school, with an emphasis on
 30 eliminating or minimizing the use of restraint and seclusion.

31 (B) The prevention of the use of types of restraint or seclusion
 32 that may harm a student, a school employee, a school
 33 volunteer, or the educational environment of the school.

34 (C) Requirements for notifying parents.

35 (D) Training regarding the use of restraint and seclusion,
 36 including the frequency of training and what employees must
 37 be trained.

38 (E) The distribution of the seclusion and restraint policy to
 39 parents and the public.

40 (F) Requirements for the reporting of incidents of restraint and
 41 seclusion in the annual school performance report, **including**
 42 **incidents of restraint and seclusion involving school**



- 1 **resource officers (as defined in IC 20-26-18.2-1).**
 2 (2) Before August 1, 2013, to develop a model restraint and
 3 seclusion plan for schools that includes the following elements:
 4 (A) A statement on how students will be treated with dignity
 5 and respect and how appropriate student behavior will be
 6 promoted and taught.
 7 (B) A statement ensuring that the school will use prevention,
 8 positive behavior intervention and support, and conflict
 9 deescalation to eliminate or minimize the need for use of any
 10 of the following:
 11 (i) Seclusion.
 12 (ii) Chemical restraint.
 13 (iii) Mechanical restraint.
 14 (iv) Physical restraint.
 15 (C) A statement ensuring that any behavioral intervention used
 16 will be consistent with the student's most current behavioral
 17 intervention plan, or individualized education program, if
 18 applicable.
 19 (D) Definitions for restraint and seclusion, as defined in this
 20 chapter.
 21 (E) A statement ensuring that if a procedure listed in clause
 22 (B) is used, the procedure will be used:
 23 (i) as a last resort safety procedure, employed only after
 24 another, less restrictive procedure has been implemented
 25 without success; and
 26 (ii) in a situation in which there is an imminent risk of injury
 27 to the student, other students, school employees, or visitors
 28 to the school.
 29 (F) An indication that restraint or seclusion may be used only
 30 for a short time period, or until the imminent risk of injury has
 31 passed.
 32 (G) A documentation and recording requirement governing
 33 instances in which procedures listed in clause (B) are used,
 34 including:
 35 (i) how every incident will be documented and debriefed;
 36 (ii) how responsibilities will be assigned to designated
 37 employees for evaluation and oversight; and
 38 (iii) designation of a school employee to be the keeper of
 39 such documents.
 40 (H) A requirement that the student's parent must be notified as
 41 soon as possible when an incident involving the student occurs
 42 that includes use of procedures listed in clause (B).



1 (I) A requirement that a copy of an incident report must be
 2 sent to the student's parent after the student is subject to a
 3 procedure listed in clause (B).

4 (J) Required recurrent training for appropriate school
 5 employees on the appropriate use of effective alternatives to
 6 physical restraint and seclusion, including the use of positive
 7 behavioral intervention and support and conflict deescalation.
 8 The training must include the safe use of physical restraint and
 9 seclusion in incidents involving imminent danger or serious
 10 harm to the student, school employees, or others.
 11 Consideration must be given to available school resources and
 12 the time commitments of school employees.

13 (b) The model policy developed by the commission must take into
 14 consideration that implementation and reporting requirements for
 15 accredited nonpublic schools may vary, and the model plan must
 16 provide accredited nonpublic schools flexibility with regards to
 17 accountability under and implementation of the plan adopted by an
 18 accredited nonpublic school under section 14 of this chapter.

19 SECTION 3. IC 20-20-40-16, AS ADDED BY P.L.122-2013,
 20 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 21 JULY 1, 2017]: Sec. 16. **(a)** The commission:

22 **(1)** shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2; ~~to carry out the purposes of~~
 23 ~~this chapter. and~~

24 **(2)** may adopt emergency rules in the manner provided under
 25 IC 4-22-2-37.1;

26 **to carry out the purposes of this chapter.**

27 **(b)** An emergency rule adopted under subsection (a)(2) expires
 28 on the earlier of:

29 **(1)** November 15, 2018; or

30 **(2)** the effective date of a rule adopted under IC 4-22-2-22.5
 31 through IC 4-22-2-36 that supersedes the emergency rule.

32 SECTION 4. IC 20-26-18.2-4 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
 33 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
 34 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017]: Sec. 4. **A school corporation, an**
 35 **accredited nonpublic school, or a charter school shall report all**
 36 **instances of:**

37 **(1)** seclusion (as defined in IC 20-20-40-9);

38 **(2)** chemical restraint;

39 **(3)** mechanical restraint (as defined in IC 20-20-40-4); and

40 **(4)** physical restraint (as defined in IC 20-20-40-5);

41 **involving a school resource officer, in accordance with the restraint**
 42 **and seclusion plan adopted by the school corporation, accredited**



1 **nonpublic school, or charter school under IC 20-20-40-14.**
2 SECTION 5. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017] (a) 513 IAC 1-2-1(b) is
3 **void. The publisher of the Indiana Administrative Code and**
4 **Indiana Register shall remove this provision from the Indiana**
5 **Administrative Code.**
6 (b) This SECTION expires July 1, 2018.



COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Civil Law, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 61, 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 3, between lines 20 and 21, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 2. IC 20-20-40-16, AS ADDED BY P.L.122-2013, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017]: Sec. 16. **(a)** The commission:

(1) shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2; ~~to carry out the purposes of this chapter.~~ **and**

(2) may adopt emergency rules in the manner provided under IC 4-22-2-37.1;

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(1) November 15, 2018; or

(2) the effective date of a rule adopted under IC 4-22-2-22.5 through IC 4-22-2-36 that supersedes the emergency rule."

Page 3, line 24, after "corporation" insert ", **an accredited nonpublic school,**".

Page 3, line 31, after "corporation" insert ", **accredited nonpublic school,**".

Re-number all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 61 as introduced.)

HEAD, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0.



SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senate Bill 61 be amended to read as follows:

Page 1, between the enacting clause and line 1, begin a new paragraph and insert:

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reimbursement for traveling expenses and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties, as provided in the state travel policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency."

Page 3, line 36, delete "A school resource officer".

Page 3, line 37, delete "assigned to a" and insert "A".

Page 4, line 1, delete "in" and insert "**involving a school resource officer, in**".

Re-number all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to SB 61 as printed February 22, 2017.)

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