

SENATE BILL No. 84

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 16-37-5.

Synopsis: Suicide and drug overdose death reporting. Provides that the state department of health (department) shall annually prepare a report concerning all suicide and overdose fatalities in Indiana that occurred during the preceding calendar year. Requires the report to include: (1) the number of fatalities that occurred in each county; (2) the number of fatalities that occurred during each month; (3) the age and sexual orientation of each fatality victim; and (4) the method of suicide or overdose, including the type of weapon used. Provides that the first report must also include information from the 2020 calendar year. Requires the department to submit the report and an executive summary of the report to the general assembly and the governor.

Effective: Upon passage.

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January 4, 2022, read first time and referred to Committee on Health and Provider Services.



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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 2021 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 16-37-5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
2 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON
3 PASSAGE]:

4 **Chapter 5. Suicide and Overdose Fatality Reporting**

5 **Sec. 1. (a) Not later than July 1 of each year, the state**
6 **department shall prepare a report concerning all fatalities in**
7 **Indiana that are the result of suicide or overdose during the**
8 **preceding calendar year. The report must include the following**
9 **information:**

- 10 (1) **The number of fatalities that occurred in each county.**
- 11 (2) **The number of fatalities that occurred during each month.**
- 12 (3) **The age and sexual orientation of each fatality victim.**
- 13 (4) **The number of fatalities by method of suicide or overdose,**
- 14 **including the type of weapon used, if applicable.**

15 **(b) The first report required by subsection (a) must also include**
16 **all fatalities in Indiana that are the result of suicide or overdose**
17 **during the 2020 calendar year.**



1 (c) Not later than July 1 of each year, the state department shall
2 submit the annual report required by subsection (a), including an
3 executive summary of the report, to the general assembly and the
4 governor. The report submitted to the general assembly must be in
5 an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

6 SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.

