

SENATE BILL No. 484

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: Noncode.

Synopsis: Regional training facility funding. Requires the northwest Indiana regional development authority (authority) to conduct a study of the feasibility of constructing or renovating a regional training facility (facility) to be located in the city of Gary that would provide training for displaced workers and long term unemployed individuals. Requires the authority to coordinate with other regional entities in conducting the study. Provides that the study: (1) must address the feasibility of constructing or renovating a facility in the city of Gary; (2) may address an appropriate site for a facility; and (3) may address the fiscal impact of a facility. Requires the authority to submit a copy of the results of the study to the legislative council not later than June 30, 2018. Appropriates \$200,000 from the state general fund to provide funding for the study.

Effective: Upon passage.

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January 17, 2017, read first time and referred to Committee on Appropriations.



First Regular Session 120th General Assembly (2017)

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 2016 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning state and local administration and to make an appropriation.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) As used in this
- 2 SECTION, "authority" refers to the northwest Indiana regional
- 3 development authority established by IC 36-7.5-2-1.
- 4 (b) As used in this SECTION, "displaced worker" means an
- 5 individual who is a northwest Indiana resident who:
- 6 (1) has lost or left the individual's job due to:
- 7 (A) the closing or moving of a facility at which the
- 8 individual was employed; or
- 9 (B) the abolishment of the individual's position or shift at
- 10 the facility; and
- 11 (2) has not obtained another job at which the individual works
- 12 more than twenty (20) hours each week.
- 13 (c) As used in this SECTION, "long term unemployed
- 14 individual" means an individual who is a northwest Indiana
- 15 resident who is without work for a period that exceeds one
- 16 hundred eighty (180) consecutive days.
- 17 (d) The authority shall conduct a study of the feasibility and



1 implementation of a regional training facility to be located in the
2 city of Gary to provide training for:

- 3 (1) displaced workers; and
4 (2) long term unemployed individuals.

5 (e) The authority shall conduct the study in coordination with
6 the following:

- 7 (1) The regional Indiana works council.
8 (2) Ivy Tech Community College.
9 (3) Employers, employer organizations, and labor
10 organizations.
11 (4) The mayor of the city of Gary.
12 (5) The Northwest Indiana Federation of Interfaith
13 Organizations.
14 (6) Indiana University Northwest.
15 (7) Purdue University Northwest.

16 (f) The study:

- 17 (1) must address the feasibility of constructing or renovating
18 a regional training facility in the city of Gary for the purpose
19 set forth in subsection (d);
20 (2) may address an appropriate site for a regional training
21 facility in the city of Gary; and
22 (3) may address the fiscal impact of a regional training facility
23 in the city of Gary.

24 (g) The authority shall submit, not later than June 30, 2018, a
25 copy of the results of the study in an electronic format under
26 IC 5-14-6 to the legislative council.

27 (h) There is appropriated from the state general fund two
28 hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) for the state fiscal year
29 beginning July 1, 2017, to provide funding for the study under this
30 SECTION. The funds appropriated under this SECTION shall be
31 distributed to the authority to be used and expended by the
32 authority only for the purpose of the study required under this
33 SECTION.

34 (i) This SECTION expires December 31, 2018.

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

