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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7088

BILL NUMBER: HB 1313

NOTE PREPARED: Mar 18, 2021

BILL AMENDED: Mar 18, 2021

SUBJECT: Students with Disabilities.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Clere

FIRST SPONSOR: Sen. Kruse

BILL STATUS: CR Adopted - 2nd House

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) The bill requires the Indiana Management Performance Hub (MPH) to:

- (1) use its data resources and technology to cross-reference with data bases of certain state agencies to identify certain former students with disabilities (eligible individuals);
- (2) coordinate with the State Department of Health (ISDH) to determine whether identified eligible individuals are deceased; and
- (3) provide the information concerning eligible individuals to the Department of Workforce Development (DWD).

This bill requires the ISDH to, not later than November 1, 2021, coordinate with the MPH.

The bill also requires the DWD to:

- (1) communicate with identified eligible individuals; and
- (2) provide to the eligible individuals a copy of a resource list concerning training and education opportunities and employment services resources.

It requires the State Advisory Council on the Education of Children with Disabilities (council) to annually update and submit the resource list to the Department of Education (DOE) and the DWD.

The bill requires the DOE and DWD to post a copy of the most recently updated resource list on DOE's and DWD's Internet web sites. This bill also requires the DWD, in consultation with the DOE, to prepare and submit an annual report to the General Assembly and the council.

The bill also requires the State Board of Education to, not later than December 1, 2021, adopt rules to create an alternate diploma for students with significant cognitive disabilities.

Effective Date: Upon passage.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) *Summary* - The bill's requirements represent significant additional workload [and/or expenditure] on MPH, ISDH, DOE, and DWD to develop the data collection processes and procedures that would be necessary to identify and inform the eligible individuals as defined in this bill while adhering to all state and federal privacy laws. The agencies will need to develop or enhance any existing memorandum of understanding (MOUs) with other agencies, including the Family and Social Services Administration, the Department of Child Services, the Department of Correction, the Department of Natural Resources, the Bureau of Motor Vehicles. Existing staffing and resource levels, if currently being used to capacity, may be insufficient for full implementation. The additional funds and resources required could be supplied through existing staff and resources currently being used in another program or with new appropriations. Ultimately, the source of funds and resources required to satisfy the requirements of this bill will depend on legislative and administrative actions.

DWD: In addition to the requirements above, DWD would experience additional workload [and/or expenditures] to provide data to MPH, send information resources to eligible individuals by mail or email, follow up with individuals, post information on the department's website, and report to the General Assembly.

(Revised) *MPH:* The bill's requirements for MPH to compile and cross-reference data are within the agency's routine administrative functions and should be able to be implemented with no additional appropriations, assuming near customary agency staffing and resource levels.

DOE: DOE may experience an additional workload increase or expenditures to provide staffing support or per diem and travel expenses for the State Advisory Council on the Education of Children with Disabilities if they were to hold additional meetings to update the resource materials that will be provided to eligible individuals under the bill. The bill also requires DOE to provide data to MPH, post resource materials on their website, and report to the General Assembly.

(Revised) *ISDH:* The bill requires ISDH to coordinate with MPH to determine if any of the individuals identified are deceased. The bill represents an increase in workload for ISDH, but should be able to be implemented with no additional appropriations, assuming near customary agency staffing and resource levels.

Family and Social Services Administration, Department of Child Services, Department of Correction, Department of Natural Resources, Bureau of Motor Vehicles: The bill's requirements to help identify students, provide data, and ensure that the process complies with state and federal privacy laws will increase workload at the agencies but should be able to be implemented with no additional appropriations, assuming near customary agency staffing and resource levels.

SBOE: The SBOE should be able to adopt rules related to the alternate diploma by the required deadline within current resources.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: (Revised) Department of Workforce Development, Management Performance Hub, Department of Education, Family and Social Services Administration, Department of Child Services, Department of Correction, Department of Natural Resources, Bureau of Motor Vehicles, State Board of Education, State Department of Health.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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