

HOUSE BILL No. 1017

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 20-30-17-5.

Synopsis: K-12 curriculum. Prohibits certain instruction on various historical figures.

Effective: July 1, 2024.

Smith V

January 8, 2024, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.



Second Regular Session of the 123rd General Assembly (2024)

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 2023 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 20-30-17-5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2024]: **Sec. 5. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), a school,**
4 **an employee or staff member of a school, or a third party vendor**
5 **used by a school to provide instruction may not provide instruction**
6 **to a student in kindergarten through grade 12 concerning:**
7 (1) **Christopher Columbus; or**
8 (2) **a President of the United States who owned an enslaved**
9 **person.**
10 (b) **Instruction concerning a person described in subsection**
11 **(a)(1) or (a)(2) is permitted if the instruction concerns the person's**
12 **involvement in the:**
13 (1) **institution of slavery;**
14 (2) **harmful effects of colonialism; or**
15 (3) **decimation of indigenous populations throughout the**
16 **world.**

