

HOUSE BILL No. 1093

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 1-1-7.7.

Synopsis: Electronic submission of state agency documents. Defines "covered document". Provides that a state agency may permit a covered document to be electronically filed or submitted with the state agency. Provides that a state agency shall: (1) designate each covered document that is eligible for electronic filing or submission; and (2) post on the state agency's Internet web site a notice that the state agency has designated the covered document as eligible for electronic filing or submission. Prohibits the use of fax as a means of providing for the electronic filing or submission of a covered document. Requires the state agency to provide proof to a person who electronically files or submits a covered document with the state agency that the person has filed or submitted the covered document with the state agency. Provides that the designation by a state agency of a covered document as eligible for electronic filing or submission does not require a person to electronically file or submit the covered document unless a statute requires the electronic filing or submission of the covered document.

Effective: July 1, 2020.

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Second Regular Session of the 121st General Assembly (2020)

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 2019 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 1-1-7.7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
2 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2020]:
4 **Chapter 7.7. Electronic Submission of State Agency Documents**
5 **Sec. 1. Except as provided in section 8 of this chapter, this**
6 **chapter does not prohibit a person from filing or submitting a**
7 **covered document by:**
8 **(1) mail; or**
9 **(2) hand delivery;**
10 **with a state agency.**
11 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "covered document" means any**
12 **document that is necessary for a person to file with a state agency**
13 **to:**
14 **(1) obtain any benefit or service administered or provided by**
15 **the state agency; or**
16 **(2) comply with a legal requirement under the administrative**
17 **authority of the state agency.**



1 **Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "fax" refers to transmission of**
2 **information by a facsimile (fax) machine.**

3 **Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "state agency" has the meaning**
4 **set forth in IC 4-13-1-1(b).**

5 **Sec. 5. A state agency may permit a covered document to be**
6 **electronically filed with or submitted to the state agency.**

7 **Sec. 6. The state agency shall designate each covered document**
8 **that is eligible for electronic filing or submission and post on the**
9 **state agency's Internet web site a notice that a covered document**
10 **that the state agency has designated is eligible for electronic filing**
11 **or submission. However, a state agency may not use fax as a means**
12 **of providing for the electronic filing or submission of a covered**
13 **document under this chapter.**

14 **Sec. 7. The state agency shall provide proof to a person who**
15 **electronically files or submits a covered document with the state**
16 **agency that the person has filed or submitted the covered**
17 **document with the state agency.**

18 **Sec. 8. The designation by a state agency of a covered document**
19 **that is eligible for electronic filing or submission does not require**
20 **a person to electronically file or submit the covered document**
21 **unless a statute requires the electronic filing or submission of the**
22 **covered document.**

