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# ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL No. 1123

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**Citations Affected:** IC 1-1; IC 2-2.1; IC 2-5; IC 2-6; IC 4-12; IC 10-14; IC 35-52.

**Synopsis:** Legislative oversight of certain fiscal and emergency matters. Specifies that the bill is severable. Provides that the general assembly may convene in an emergency session if the legislative council adopts a resolution making certain findings concerning a state  
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**Effective:** Upon passage.

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**Lehman, Smaltz, Pressel, Lauer, Abbott, Baird, Barrett,  
Bartels, Borders, Carbaugh, Cherry, Clere, Cook, Davis,  
Davisson, Ellington, Goodrich, Gutwein, Heine, Judy,  
Karickhoff, King, Lehe, Leonard, Lindauer, Manning,  
Mayfield, May, McNamara, Miller D, Morris, Negele, Olthoff,  
Payne, Prescott, Saunders, Schaibley, Slager, Snow, Soliday,  
Steuerwald, Teshka, Thompson, VanNatter, Wesco, Young J,  
Zent, Huston**  
(SENATE SPONSORS — GLICK, GARTEN, GASKILL, MESSMER,  
HOLDMAN)

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January 4, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedures.

February 4, 2021, amended, reported — Do Pass.

February 8, 2021, read second time, ordered engrossed. Engrossed.

February 9, 2021, read third time, passed. Yeas 69, nays 27.

SENATE ACTION

February 23, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedure.

March 22, 2021, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.

March 25, 2021, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.

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of emergency declared by the governor. Specifies the maximum length of an emergency session. Provides that in an emergency session the general assembly may enact only bills relating to the agenda stated in the legislative council's resolution. Provides that the general assembly may adopt concurrent resolutions and each house may adopt simple resolutions during an emergency session. Establishes the legislative state of emergency advisory group. Creates the economic stimulus fund (ESF) for the deposit of all discretionary funds received by the state. Defines "discretionary funds" to mean federal economic stimulus funds received under federal legislation granting the state authority to determine the amounts and manner in which the federal economic stimulus funds may be expended. Provides that discretionary funds deposited into the ESF during a period in which the general assembly is convened in a regular session, an emergency session, or a special session may not be allotted or expended unless appropriated by the general assembly or reviewed by the budget committee. Provides that before discretionary funds deposited into the ESF during a period in which the general assembly is not convened in a regular session, an emergency session, or a special session may be allotted to or expended by a state agency or instrumentality, the allotment or expenditure must be reviewed by the budget committee. Provides that discretionary funds deposited into the ESF may not be expended, transferred, assigned, or otherwise removed from the ESF by the state board of finance, the budget agency, or any other state agency except as permitted under the provisions of the statute. Exempts federal economic stimulus funds obligated or expended before April 29, 2021, from the application of the statute. Provides that a violation of the disaster statute (IC 10-14-3) or an order authorized by that statute is a Class B infraction instead of a Class B misdemeanor.

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## ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL No. 1123

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

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

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 1-1-1-8.6 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3 UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 8.6. The provisions of HEA 1123-2021 are**  
4 **severable in the manner provided by section 8(b) of this chapter.**  
5 SECTION 2. IC 2-2.1-1-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
6 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. The following  
7 definitions apply throughout this chapter:  
8 (1) "Bill" includes a bill and a joint resolution.  
9 (2) "Term of the general assembly" means that two (2) year period  
10 of time extending from the first Wednesday after the first Monday  
11 in November of any even-numbered year until, but not including,  
12 the first Wednesday after the first Monday in November of the  
13 next even-numbered year.  
14 (3) "Session" refers to **any of the following:**  
15 (A) A regular session **of the general assembly.**  
16 (B) A regular technical session **of the general assembly.**  
17 (C) An emergency session **of the general assembly**

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1 **convened under IC 2-2.1-1.2.**

2 **(D)** A special session of the general assembly.

3 (4) "Special session" means that period of time during which the  
4 general assembly is convened in session upon the proclamation  
5 and call of the governor under Article 4, Section 9 of the  
6 Constitution of the State of Indiana.

7 SECTION 3. IC 2-2.1-1-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
8 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. (a) This section  
9 applies only to those bills or joint resolutions which pass during the two  
10 **(2)** days before the sine die adjournment of a ~~regular or special~~ session  
11 of the general assembly. This section does not apply to bills passed  
12 during a regular technical session.

13 (b) The presiding officers of the house of representatives and the  
14 senate shall sign each bill or joint resolution passed under Article 4,  
15 Section 25 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana as soon as  
16 practicable, but not later than seven (7) calendar days after sine die  
17 adjournment of the session of the general assembly at which the bill  
18 was passed.

19 (c) A bill that has been signed under subsection (b) must be  
20 presented to the governor as soon as practicable, but not later than  
21 seven (7) calendar days after sine die adjournment of the session of the  
22 general assembly at which the bill was passed.

23 SECTION 4. IC 2-2.1-1.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
24 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
25 UPON PASSAGE]:

26 **Chapter 1.2. Emergency Sessions**

27 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "advisory group" refers to the**  
28 **legislative state of emergency advisory group established by section**  
29 **11 of this chapter.**

30 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "emergency session" refers to a**  
31 **session of the general assembly convened under this chapter.**

32 **Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "legislative council" refers to the**  
33 **legislative council created under IC 2-5-1.1-1.**

34 **Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "presiding officer" refers to the**  
35 **following:**

36 **(1) For the house of representatives, the speaker of the house.**

37 **(2) For the senate, the president pro tempore of the senate.**

38 **Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "records" means any writing,**  
39 **paper, report, study, map, photograph, book, card, tape recording,**  
40 **or other material that is created, received, retained, maintained, or**  
41 **filed by or with the advisory group and which is generated on**  
42 **paper, paper substitutes, photographic media, chemically based**



1 media, magnetic or machine readable media, electronically stored  
2 data, or any other material, regardless of form or characteristics.

3 Sec. 6. As used in this chapter, "state of emergency" refers to an  
4 emergency declared by the governor under IC 10-14-3.

5 Sec. 7. (a) The general assembly shall convene under this  
6 chapter if the legislative council adopts a resolution that finds all  
7 of the following:

8 (1) The governor has declared a state of emergency that the  
9 legislative council determines has a statewide impact.

10 (2) It is necessary for the general assembly to address the state  
11 of emergency with legislative action.

12 (3) It is necessary for the general assembly to convene an  
13 emergency session, in accordance with its authority to  
14 determine the length and frequency of legislative sessions  
15 under Article 4, Section 9 of the constitution of the State of  
16 Indiana.

17 (b) A resolution of the legislative council adopted under this  
18 section must state all of the following:

19 (1) The reasons that it is necessary for the general assembly  
20 to convene to address the state of emergency.

21 (2) The date, time, and place that each house of the general  
22 assembly will convene.

23 (3) The general assembly's agenda for addressing the state of  
24 emergency.

25 (c) The legislative services agency shall file a copy of the  
26 legislative council's resolution with the secretary of state.

27 Sec. 8. The presiding officers shall convene their respective  
28 houses in session on the date, time, and place specified in the  
29 legislative council's resolution.

30 Sec. 9. (a) An emergency session may not continue for more than  
31 forty (40) calendar days after the day the session first convenes.

32 (b) The general assembly must adjourn sine die not later than  
33 ten (10) calendar days following the day upon which the state of  
34 emergency ends as provided in IC 10-14-3.

35 Sec. 10. (a) The general assembly may enact only bills relating  
36 to the agenda stated in the legislative council's resolution during an  
37 emergency session.

38 (b) The general assembly may adopt concurrent resolutions  
39 during an emergency session.

40 (c) Each house may adopt simple resolutions during an  
41 emergency session.

42 Sec. 11. (a) The legislative state of emergency advisory group is



1 established. The advisory group consists of the following members:

2 (1) The president pro tempore of the senate or the president  
3 pro tempore's designee, who must be a member of the general  
4 assembly.

5 (2) The senate majority floor leader or the floor leader's  
6 designee, who must be a member of the general assembly.

7 (3) The senate minority floor leader or the floor leader's  
8 designee, who must be a member of the general assembly.

9 (4) The chairperson of the senate majority caucus or the  
10 chairperson's designee, who must be a member of the general  
11 assembly.

12 (5) The chairperson of the senate minority caucus or the  
13 chairperson's designee, who must be a member of the general  
14 assembly.

15 (6) The speaker of the house of representatives or the  
16 speaker's designee, who must be a member of the general  
17 assembly.

18 (7) The house majority floor leader or the floor leader's  
19 designee, who must be a member of the general assembly.

20 (8) The house minority floor leader or the floor leader's  
21 designee, who must be a member of the general assembly.

22 (9) The chairperson of the house majority caucus or the  
23 chairperson's designee, who must be a member of the general  
24 assembly.

25 (10) The chairperson of the house minority caucus or the  
26 chairperson's designee, who must be a member of the general  
27 assembly.

28 If a member is unable to serve, a replacement shall be selected by  
29 the member's caucus.

30 (b) The chairperson of the legislative council shall select a  
31 member of the advisory group, including the chairperson of the  
32 legislative council, to serve as the chairperson of the advisory  
33 group. The advisory group shall meet:

34 (1) during a state of emergency that the legislative council has  
35 determined has statewide impact; and

36 (2) upon the call of the chairperson.

37 The advisory group may meet in any location, including  
38 electronically or remotely, as determined by the chairperson of the  
39 advisory group.

40 (c) A majority of the members appointed to the advisory group  
41 constitutes a quorum. Any formal recommendation made by the  
42 advisory group:



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- (1) must be in writing; and**
  - (2) requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the advisory group.**
- Except for any formal written recommendation made by the advisory group, all records of the advisory group are confidential.**
- (d) Due to the advisory group's role in responding to a disaster emergency, IC 5-14 does not apply to the advisory group.**
  - (e) The advisory group has the following duties:**
    - (1) The advisory group shall make itself available to consult with, receive information from, and advise the governor concerning the state of emergency and any executive orders issued in response to the state of emergency.**
    - (2) The advisory group shall review, evaluate, and make recommendations with respect to a state of emergency and any executive orders issued in response to the state of emergency.**
    - (3) The advisory group shall inform the members of the general assembly concerning its work, the state of emergency, and executive orders issued in response to the state of emergency.**
  - (f) Each member of the advisory group is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage, and travel allowances paid to individuals who serve as legislative members of interim study committees established by the legislative council.**
  - (g) All funds necessary for the advisory group to carry out its functions shall be paid from appropriations to the legislative council and the legislative services agency.**
- SECTION 5. IC 2-5-1.1-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.84-2016, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) The council may **do any of the following:**
- (1) On its own initiative or at the direction of the general assembly or of the senate or house of representatives, study subjects of interest and concern, and based on such a study, recommend such legislation as the welfare of the state may require.
  - (2) Direct standing committees of the senate or house of representatives, or appoint committees and subcommittees subject to the authority of the council, to carry out studies on subjects of interest and concern.
  - (3) Recommend such codification and general revision of the constitution and the laws of the state as may from time to time be



- 1 necessary.
- 2 (4) Require any officer or agency, board, commission, committee
- 3 or other instrumentality of the state or of a political subdivision of
- 4 the state to provide information bearing on subjects under
- 5 consideration by the council or by standing committee or any of
- 6 its committees or subcommittees.
- 7 (5) By an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of its members
- 8 present and voting:
- 9 (A) administer oaths, issue subpoenas, compel the attendance
- 10 of witnesses and the production of papers, books, accounts,
- 11 documents and testimony and have the deposition of witnesses
- 12 taken in the manner prescribed by law for taking depositions
- 13 in civil actions bearing on subjects under consideration by the
- 14 council or by any of its committees or subcommittees; and
- 15 (B) petition, through the presiding officer of the council, any
- 16 circuit court, superior court, or probate court of the appropriate
- 17 county for an order for compliance with any order or
- 18 subpoenas issued under this section.
- 19 (6) Adopt such rules and procedures and organize such agencies
- 20 as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out its duties.
- 21 (7) Receive appropriations and make allocations for the
- 22 reasonable and necessary expenditures of the council and the
- 23 standing and interim committees of the house of representatives,
- 24 senate and general assembly.
- 25 (8) Enter into whatever contracts or other arrangements deemed
- 26 by it to be necessary or appropriate to exercising its rights,
- 27 privileges, and powers and performing its duties under this
- 28 chapter and IC 2-6-1.5 and to carrying out the intent, purposes,
- 29 and provisions of this chapter and IC 2-6-1.5. ~~and~~
- 30 **(9) Initiate sessions of the general assembly under**
- 31 **IC 2-2.1-1.2-5.**
- 32 ~~(9)~~ **(10)** Do all other things necessary and proper to perform the
- 33 functions of the legislative department of government and to carry
- 34 out the intent, purposes and provisions of this chapter.
- 35 (b) The council may authorize its executive director to act on its
- 36 behalf and with its authority on any matter of administration under this
- 37 chapter and under IC 2-6-1.5, including executing and implementing
- 38 any contract or other arrangement under which it agrees to be bound.
- 39 SECTION 6. IC 2-6-1.5-0.7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
- 40 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
- 41 UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 0.7. As used in this chapter, "session" has**
- 42 **the meaning set forth in IC 2-2.1-1-1.**





1 SECTION 7. IC 4-12-18 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS  
 2 A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON  
 3 PASSAGE]:

4 **Chapter 18. Federal Economic Stimulus Funds**

5 **Sec. 1. This chapter does not apply to federal economic stimulus**  
 6 **funds obligated or expended by written agreement, contract, or**  
 7 **encumbrance before April 29, 2021.**

8 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "discretionary funds" means**  
 9 **federal economic stimulus funds received under federal legislation**  
 10 **granting the state authority to determine the amounts and manner**  
 11 **in which the federal economic stimulus funds may be expended.**

12 **Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "federal economic stimulus**  
 13 **funds" means federal money received by the state under federal**  
 14 **legislation enacted in response to a recession or nationwide**  
 15 **disaster.**

16 **Sec. 4. (a) There is created the economic stimulus fund. Within**  
 17 **the economic stimulus fund the auditor of state shall create a**  
 18 **separate account for each separate federal stimulus legislation**  
 19 **enacted. All discretionary funds received by the state must be**  
 20 **deposited in the corresponding account within the economic**  
 21 **stimulus fund unless prohibited by federal law.**

22 **(b) The economic stimulus fund is separate from the state**  
 23 **general fund and all other state funds and accounts.**

24 **Sec. 5. Discretionary funds deposited into the economic stimulus**  
 25 **fund during a period in which the general assembly is convened in**  
 26 **a regular session, an emergency session under IC 2-2.1-1.2, or a**  
 27 **special session may not be allotted or expended unless**  
 28 **appropriated by the general assembly or reviewed by the budget**  
 29 **committee.**

30 **Sec. 6. Before discretionary funds deposited into the economic**  
 31 **stimulus fund during a period in which the general assembly is not**  
 32 **convened in a regular session, an emergency session under**  
 33 **IC 2-2.1-1.2, or a special session may be allotted to or expended by**  
 34 **a state agency or instrumentality, the allotment or expenditure**  
 35 **must be reviewed by the budget committee.**

36 **Sec. 7. Discretionary funds deposited into the economic stimulus**  
 37 **fund may not be expended, transferred, assigned, or otherwise**  
 38 **removed from the economic stimulus fund by the state board of**  
 39 **finance, the budget agency, or any other state agency except as**  
 40 **permitted under the provisions of this chapter.**

41 SECTION 8. IC 10-14-3-34 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
 42 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 34. A person who



1 knowingly, intentionally, or recklessly violates this chapter **or an order**  
2 **authorized by this chapter** commits a ~~Class B misdemeanor~~. **Class B**  
3 **infraction.**

4 SECTION 9. IC 35-52-10-4 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE UPON  
5 PASSAGE]. ~~Sec. 4. IC 10-14-3-34 defines a crime concerning~~  
6 ~~emergency management.~~

7 SECTION 10. **An emergency is declared for this act.**



## COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedures, to which was referred House Bill 1123, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, delete lines 1 through 17, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 1. IC 2-2.1-1-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. The following definitions apply throughout this chapter:

- (1) "Bill" includes a bill and a joint resolution.
- (2) "Term of the general assembly" means that two (2) year period of time extending from the first Wednesday after the first Monday in November of any even-numbered year until, but not including, the first Wednesday after the first Monday in November of the next even-numbered year.
- (3) "Session" refers to **any of the following:**
  - (A) A regular session **of the general assembly.**
  - (B) A regular technical session ~~or~~ **of the general assembly.**
  - (C) **An emergency session of the general assembly convened under IC 2-2.1-1.2.**
  - (D) A special session of the general assembly.
- (4) "Special session" means that period of time during which the general assembly is convened in session upon the proclamation and call of the governor under Article 4, Section 9 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana.

SECTION 2. IC 2-2.1-1-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. ~~Length and Frequency of Sessions: Special Session:~~ A special session of the General Assembly, called by the Governor as provided in Article 4, Section 9 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana:

- (1) **may convene at any time during the thirty (30) days after which the Governor issues a proclamation that calls for a special session of the general assembly; and**
- (2) shall continue for not more than ~~thirty (30) session days nor more than~~ forty (40) calendar days following the day upon which it is commenced.

SECTION 3. IC 2-2.1-1-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. (a) This section applies only to those bills or joint resolutions which pass during the two (2) days before the sine die adjournment of a ~~regular or special~~ session of the general assembly. This section does not apply to bills passed



during a regular technical session.

(b) The presiding officers of the house of representatives and the senate shall sign each bill or joint resolution passed under Article 4, Section 25 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana as soon as practicable, but not later than seven (7) calendar days after sine die adjournment of the session of the general assembly at which the bill was passed.

(c) A bill that has been signed under subsection (b) must be presented to the governor as soon as practicable, but not later than seven (7) calendar days after sine die adjournment of the session of the general assembly at which the bill was passed.

SECTION 4. IC 2-2.1-1.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]:

**Chapter 1.2. Emergency Sessions**

**Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "emergency session" refers to a session of the general assembly convened under this chapter.**

**Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "legislative council" refers to the legislative council created under IC 2-5-1.1-1.**

**Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "presiding officer" refers to the following:**

- (1) For the house of representatives, the speaker of the house.
- (2) For the senate, the president pro tempore of the senate.

**Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "state of emergency" refers to an emergency declared by the governor under IC 10-14-3.**

**Sec. 5. (a) The general assembly shall convene under this chapter if the legislative council adopts a resolution that finds both of the following:**

- (1) The governor has declared a state of emergency that affects all of Indiana.
- (2) It is necessary for the general assembly to address the state of emergency with legislative action.

**(b) A resolution of the legislative council adopted under this section must state all of the following:**

- (1) The reasons that the general assembly should convene to address the state of emergency.
- (2) The date, time, and place that each house of the general assembly will convene.
- (3) The general assembly's agenda for addressing the state of emergency.

**(c) The legislative services agency shall file a copy of the legislative council's resolution with the secretary of state.**



**Sec. 6. The presiding officers shall convene their respective houses in session on the date, time, and place specified in the legislative council's resolution.**

**Sec. 7. (a) An emergency session may not continue for more than forty (40) calendar days after the day the session first convenes.**

**(b) The general assembly must adjourn sine die not later than ten (10) calendar days following the day upon which the state of emergency ends as provided in IC 10-14-3.**

**Sec. 8. (a) The general assembly may enact only bills relating to the agenda stated in the legislative council's resolution during an emergency session.**

**(b) The general assembly may adopt concurrent resolutions during an emergency session.**

**(c) Each house may adopt simple resolutions during an emergency session.**

SECTION 5. IC 2-5-1.1-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.84-2016, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) The council may **do any of the following:**

(1) On its own initiative or at the direction of the general assembly or of the senate or house of representatives, study subjects of interest and concern, and based on such a study, recommend such legislation as the welfare of the state may require.

(2) Direct standing committees of the senate or house of representatives, or appoint committees and subcommittees subject to the authority of the council, to carry out studies on subjects of interest and concern.

(3) Recommend such codification and general revision of the constitution and the laws of the state as may from time to time be necessary.

(4) Require any officer or agency, board, commission, committee or other instrumentality of the state or of a political subdivision of the state to provide information bearing on subjects under consideration by the council or by standing committee or any of its committees or subcommittees.

(5) By an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of its members present and voting:

(A) administer oaths, issue subpoenas, compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of papers, books, accounts, documents and testimony and have the deposition of witnesses taken in the manner prescribed by law for taking depositions



in civil actions bearing on subjects under consideration by the council or by any of its committees or subcommittees; and  
 (B) petition, through the presiding officer of the council, any circuit court, superior court, or probate court of the appropriate county for an order for compliance with any order or subpoenas issued under this section.

(6) Adopt such rules and procedures and organize such agencies as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out its duties.

(7) Receive appropriations and make allocations for the reasonable and necessary expenditures of the council and the standing and interim committees of the house of representatives, senate and general assembly.

(8) Enter into whatever contracts or other arrangements deemed by it to be necessary or appropriate to exercising its rights, privileges, and powers and performing its duties under this chapter and IC 2-6-1.5 and to carrying out the intent, purposes, and provisions of this chapter and IC 2-6-1.5. ~~and~~

**(9) Initiate sessions of the general assembly under IC 2-2.1-1.2-5.**

~~(9)~~ **(10)** Do all other things necessary and proper to perform the functions of the legislative department of government and to carry out the intent, purposes and provisions of this chapter.

(b) The council may authorize its executive director to act on its behalf and with its authority on any matter of administration under this chapter and under IC 2-6-1.5, including executing and implementing any contract or other arrangement under which it agrees to be bound.

SECTION 6. IC 2-6-1.5-0.7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 0.7. As used in this chapter, "session" has the meaning set forth in IC 2-2.1-1-1.**

SECTION 7. IC 10-14-3-33.3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 33.3. (a) As used in this section, "emergency" refers to any of the following declared under this chapter:**

- (1) A disaster emergency.**
- (2) An energy emergency.**
- (3) A local disaster emergency.**

**(b) The state, a political subdivision, or an officer or employee of the state or a political subdivision may not restrict the right of the people to worship or to worship in person during an emergency.**



SECTION 8. IC 16-20-1-21.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 21.5. (a) This section applies only if the governor has declared an emergency under IC 10-14-3.**

**(b) As used in this section, "executive order" refers to an executive order issued by the governor under IC 10-14-3.**

**(c) As used in this section, "order" refers to the health laws, ordinances, orders, rules, and regulations of a board of health under this chapter.**

**(d) An order that deals with the same matter as an executive order may be less stringent than the executive order to the extent permitted by the executive order.**

**(e) An order that deals with the same matter as an executive order may not be more stringent than the executive order unless either of the following applies:**

**(1) If the order is issued by the health department of a county, the order must be approved by the county executive.**

**(2) If the order is issued by the health department of a city, the order must be approved by an ordinance adopted by the city legislative body and approved by the mayor.**

SECTION 9. IC 16-22-8-31.3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 31.3. (a) This section applies only if the governor has declared an emergency under IC 10-14-3.**

**(b) As used in this section, "executive order" refers to an executive order issued by the governor under IC 10-14-3.**

**(c) As used in this section, "order" refers to the health laws, ordinances, orders, rules, and regulations issued under this chapter.**

**(d) An order that deals with the same matter as an executive order may be less stringent than the executive order to the extent permitted by the executive order.**

**(e) An order that deals with the same matter as an executive order may not be more stringent than the executive order unless the order is approved by an ordinance adopted by the city-county legislative body and approved by the executive of the consolidated city.**

SECTION 10. **An emergency is declared for this act."**

Delete pages 2 through 5.

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.



(Reference is to HB 1123 as introduced.)

LEONARD

Committee Vote: yeas 7, nays 2.

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### COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedure, to which was referred House Bill No. 1123, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 2, delete lines 3 through 13.

Page 2, between lines 33 and 34, begin a new paragraph and insert:

**"Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "advisory group" refers to the legislative state of emergency advisory group established by section 11 of this chapter."**

Page 2, line 34, delete "Sec. 1." and insert "Sec. 2."

Page 2, line 36, delete "Sec. 2." and insert "Sec. 3."

Page 2, line 38, delete "Sec. 3." and insert "Sec. 4."

Page 2, between lines 41 and 42, begin a new paragraph and insert:

**"Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "records" means any writing, paper, report, study, map, photograph, book, card, tape recording, or other material that is created, received, retained, maintained, or filed by or with the advisory group and which is generated on paper, paper substitutes, photographic media, chemically based media, magnetic or machine readable media, electronically stored data, or any other material, regardless of form or characteristics."**

Page 2, line 42, delete "Sec. 4." and insert "Sec. 6."

Page 3, line 2, delete "Sec. 5." and insert "Sec. 7."

Page 3, line 3, delete "both" and insert "all".

Page 3, line 5, delete "that" and insert **"that the legislative council determines has a statewide impact."**

Page 3, delete line 6.

Page 3, between lines 8 and 9, begin a new line block indented and insert:

**"(3) It is necessary for the general assembly to convene an emergency session, in accordance with its authority to**

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**determine the length and frequency of legislative sessions under Article 4, Section 9 of the constitution of the State of Indiana."**

Page 3, line 11, after "that" insert **"it is necessary for"**.

Page 3, line 11, delete "should" and insert **"to"**.

Page 3, line 19, delete "Sec. 6." and insert **"Sec. 8."**

Page 3, line 22, delete "Sec. 7." and insert **"Sec. 9."**

Page 3, line 27, delete "Sec. 8." and insert **"Sec. 10."**

Page 3, between lines 33 and 34, begin a new paragraph and insert:  
**"Sec. 11. (a) The legislative state of emergency advisory group is established. The advisory group consists of the following members:**

**(1) The president pro tempore of the senate or the president pro tempore's designee, who must be a member of the general assembly.**

**(2) The senate majority floor leader or the floor leader's designee, who must be a member of the general assembly.**

**(3) The senate minority floor leader or the floor leader's designee, who must be a member of the general assembly.**

**(4) The chairperson of the senate majority caucus or the chairperson's designee, who must be a member of the general assembly.**

**(5) The chairperson of the senate minority caucus or the chairperson's designee, who must be a member of the general assembly.**

**(6) The speaker of the house of representatives or the speaker's designee, who must be a member of the general assembly.**

**(7) The house majority floor leader or the floor leader's designee, who must be a member of the general assembly.**

**(8) The house minority floor leader or the floor leader's designee, who must be a member of the general assembly.**

**(9) The chairperson of the house majority caucus or the chairperson's designee, who must be a member of the general assembly.**

**(10) The chairperson of the house minority caucus or the chairperson's designee, who must be a member of the general assembly.**

**If a member is unable to serve, a replacement shall be selected by the member's caucus.**

**(b) The chairperson of the legislative council shall select a member of the advisory group, including the chairperson of the**



legislative council, to serve as the chairperson of the advisory group. The advisory group shall meet:

- (1) during a state of emergency that the legislative council has determined has statewide impact; and
- (2) upon the call of the chairperson.

The advisory group may meet in any location, including electronically or remotely, as determined by the chairperson of the advisory group.

(c) A majority of the members appointed to the advisory group constitutes a quorum. Any formal recommendation made by the advisory group:

- (1) must be in writing; and
- (2) requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the advisory group.

Except for any formal written recommendation made by the advisory group, all records of the advisory group are confidential.

(d) Due to the advisory group's role in responding to a disaster emergency, IC 5-14 does not apply to the advisory group.

(e) The advisory group has the following duties:

- (1) The advisory group shall make itself available to consult with, receive information from, and advise the governor concerning the state of emergency and any executive orders issued in response to the state of emergency.
- (2) The advisory group shall review, evaluate, and make recommendations with respect to a state of emergency and any executive orders issued in response to the state of emergency.
- (3) The advisory group shall inform the members of the general assembly concerning its work, the state of emergency, and executive orders issued in response to the state of emergency.

(f) Each member of the advisory group is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage, and travel allowances paid to individuals who serve as legislative members of interim study committees established by the legislative council.

(g) All funds necessary for the advisory group to carry out its functions shall be paid from appropriations to the legislative council and the legislative services agency."

Page 5, delete lines 7 through 42, begin a new paragraph and insert:  
 "SECTION 6. IC 4-12-18 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]:



**Chapter 18. Federal Economic Stimulus Funds**

**Sec. 1. This chapter does not apply to federal economic stimulus funds committed for expenditure before April 29, 2021.**

**Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "discretionary funds" means federal economic stimulus funds received under federal legislation granting the state authority to determine the amounts and manner in which the federal economic stimulus funds may be expended.**

**Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "federal economic stimulus funds" means federal money received by the state under federal legislation enacted in response to a recession or national disaster.**

**Sec. 4. (a) There is created the economic stimulus fund. All discretionary funds received by the state must be deposited in the economic stimulus fund.**

**(b) The economic stimulus fund is separate from the state general fund and all other state funds and accounts.**

**Sec. 5. Discretionary funds deposited into the economic stimulus fund during a period in which the general assembly is convened in a regular session, an emergency session under IC 2-2.1-1.2, or a special session may not be allotted or expended unless appropriated by the general assembly.**

**Sec. 6. Before discretionary funds deposited into the economic stimulus fund during a period in which the general assembly is not convened in a regular session, an emergency session under IC 2-2.1-1.2, or a special session may be allotted to or expended by a state agency or instrumentality, the allotment or expenditure must be reviewed by the budget committee.**

**Sec. 7. Discretionary funds deposited into the economic stimulus fund may not be transferred, assigned, or otherwise removed from the economic stimulus fund by the state board of finance, the budget agency, or any other state agency except as permitted under the provisions of this chapter.**

**SECTION 7. IC 10-14-3-34 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 34. A person who knowingly, intentionally, or recklessly violates this chapter **or an order authorized by this chapter** commits a ~~Class B misdemeanor~~. **Class B infraction.****

**SECTION 8. IC 35-52-10-4 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]. Sec. 4. ~~IC 10-14-3-34 defines a crime concerning emergency management.~~"**

Page 6, delete lines 1 through 13.

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

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(Reference is to HB 1123 as printed February 4, 2021.)

BRAY, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 8, Nays 4.

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SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Engrossed House Bill 1123 be amended to read as follows:

Page 1, between the enacting clause and line 1, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 1. IC 1-1-1-8.6 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8.6. The provisions of HEA 1123-2021 are severable in the manner provided by section 8(b) of this chapter.**".

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to EHB 1123 as printed March 22, 2021.)

TALLIAN

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SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Engrossed House Bill 1123 be amended to read as follows:

Page 7, line 2, delete "committed for expenditure" and insert "**obligated or expended by written agreement, contract, or encumbrance**".

Page 7, line 9, delete "national" and insert "**nationwide**".

Page 7, line 10, after "fund." insert "**Within the economic stimulus fund the auditor of state shall create a separate account for each separate federal stimulus legislation enacted.**".

Page 7, line 12, delete "economic stimulus fund." and insert "**corresponding account within the economic stimulus fund unless prohibited by federal law.**".

Page 7, line 19, delete "assembly." and insert "**assembly or reviewed by the budget committee.**".

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Page 7, line 27, after "be" insert "**expended**".

(Reference is to EHB 1123 as printed March 22, 2021.)

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