

# HOUSE BILL No. 1164

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 31-27-4-5.5.

**Synopsis:** Removal of immunization requirements. Provides that the department of child services may not require an individual to undergo an immunization as a condition of issuing the individual a foster family home license, or renewing the individual's foster family home license, if the individual provides: (1) written notice that the individual objects to the immunization on religious grounds; or (2) written certification from a physician that the immunization is or may be detrimental to the individual's health.

**Effective:** July 1, 2023.

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**Judy, King, Teshka, Patterson**

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January 10, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Family, Children and Human Affairs.

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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 2022 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning family law and juvenile law.

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

1           SECTION 1. IC 31-27-4-5.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3 1, 2023]: **Sec. 5.5. The department may not require an individual**  
4 **to undergo an immunization as a condition of issuing the individual**  
5 **a license under this chapter, or as a condition of renewing a license**  
6 **issued to the individual under this chapter, if the individual**  
7 **provides to the department:**  
8           (1) written notice that the individual objects to the  
9 immunization on religious grounds; or  
10          (2) written certification from a physician that the  
11 immunization is or may be detrimental to the individual's  
12 health.

