

# HOUSE BILL No. 1201

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 20-19-2-2.

**Synopsis:** State board of education. Provides that the state board of education has 13 members. (Currently, the board has 11 members.) Sets forth qualifications for members appointed by the governor. Makes transitional provisions.

**Effective:** July 1, 2015.

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January 13, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.

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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 20-19-2-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION  
2 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,  
3 2015]: Sec. 2. (a) The Indiana state board of education is established.  
4 The state board consists of:  
5 (1) the state superintendent; and  
6 (2) ~~ten (10)~~ **twelve (12)** members appointed by the governor.  
7 (b) The following provisions apply to members of the state board  
8 appointed by the governor:  
9 ~~(1) At least four (4) of the members must be actively employed in~~  
10 ~~the schools in Indiana and hold a valid teaching license.~~  
11 ~~(2) (1) At least one (1) member must be appointed from each~~  
12 ~~congressional district in Indiana. **Of the members appointed**~~  
13 ~~**under this subdivision:**~~  
14 ~~(A) four (4) members must be actively employed as~~  
15 ~~teachers in public schools in Indiana and hold valid~~



- 1 licenses under IC 20-28;  
 2 **(B) four (4) members must be actively employed as**  
 3 **administrators in public schools in Indiana and hold valid**  
 4 **licenses under IC 20-28; and**  
 5 **(C) one (1) member must be actively employed in a**  
 6 **postsecondary educational institution and hold a valid**  
 7 **license under IC 20-28.**
- 8 ~~(2)~~ **(2)** Not more than ~~six (6)~~ **seven (7)** members of the state board  
 9 may be appointed from the membership of any one (1) political  
 10 party.
- 11 ~~(3)~~ **(3)** The term of office of a member begins on July 1. Except  
 12 as provided in subdivision ~~(5)~~; **(4)**, the term of office of a member  
 13 is four (4) years.
- 14 ~~(4)~~ **(4)** The governor may dismiss a member for just cause.
- 15 ~~(5)~~ **(5)** The governor may appoint a member to fill a vacancy  
 16 occurring on the state board. A member appointed under this  
 17 subdivision serves for the remainder of the unexpired term.
- 18 (c) A quorum consists of ~~six (6)~~ **seven (7)** members of the state  
 19 board. An action of the state board is not official unless the action is  
 20 authorized by at least ~~six (6)~~ **seven (7)** members.
- 21 (d) The state superintendent serves as chairperson of the state board.
- 22 SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015] **(a) Notwithstanding**  
 23 **IC 20-19-2-2, as amended by this act, a member appointed to the**  
 24 **state board of education before July 1, 2015, may serve until the**  
 25 **expiration of the term for which the member was appointed,**  
 26 **regardless of when the member's term commences and regardless**  
 27 **of whether the member meets the qualifications set forth in**  
 28 **IC 20-19-2-2, as amended by this act. However, members**  
 29 **appointed or reappointed to the state board of education after June**  
 30 **30, 2015, must satisfy the requirements set forth in IC 20-19-2-2,**  
 31 **as amended by this act.**
- 32 **(b) This SECTION expires June 30, 2019.**

