

HOUSE BILL No. 1219

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 20-28-11.5-4.

Synopsis: Use of the ISTEP test. Provides that statewide assessment (ISTEP) results may not be used in teacher evaluation plans during the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 school years. Provides that a school's performance category may not decrease more than one letter grade during a particular school year for the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 school years.

Effective: July 1, 2015.

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First Regular Session of the 119th General Assembly (2015)

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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 20-28-11.5-4, AS ADDED BY P.L.90-2011,
2 SECTION 39, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2015]: Sec. 4. (a) Each school corporation shall develop a
4 plan for annual performance evaluations for each certificated employee
5 (as defined in IC 20-29-2-4). A school corporation shall implement the
6 plan beginning with the 2012-2013 school year.
7 (b) Instead of developing its own staff performance evaluation plan
8 under subsection (a), a school corporation may adopt a staff
9 performance evaluation plan that meets the requirements set forth in
10 this chapter or any of the following models:
11 (1) A plan using master teachers or contracting with an outside
12 vendor to provide master teachers.
13 (2) The System for Teacher and Student Advancement (TAP).
14 (3) The Peer Assistance and Review Teacher Evaluation System
15 (PAR).



- 1 (c) A plan must include the following components:
 2 (1) Performance evaluations for all certificated employees,
 3 conducted at least annually.
 4 (2) Objective measures of student achievement and growth to
 5 significantly inform the evaluation. The objective measures must
 6 include:
 7 (A) **excluding the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 school years,**
 8 student assessment results from statewide assessments for
 9 certificated employees whose responsibilities include
 10 instruction in subjects measured in statewide assessments;
 11 (B) methods for assessing student growth for certificated
 12 employees who do not teach in areas measured by statewide
 13 assessments; and
 14 (C) student assessment results from locally developed
 15 assessments and other test measures for certificated employees
 16 whose responsibilities may or may not include instruction in
 17 subjects and areas measured by statewide assessments.
 18 (3) Rigorous measures of effectiveness, including observations
 19 and other performance indicators.
 20 (4) An annual designation of each certificated employee in one
 21 (1) of the following rating categories:
 22 (A) Highly effective.
 23 (B) Effective.
 24 (C) Improvement necessary.
 25 (D) Ineffective.
 26 (5) An explanation of the evaluator's recommendations for
 27 improvement, and the time in which improvement is expected.
 28 (6) A provision that a teacher who negatively affects student
 29 achievement and growth cannot receive a rating of highly
 30 effective or effective.
 31 (d) The evaluator shall discuss the evaluation with the certificated
 32 employee.
 33 **SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015] (a) The definitions in**
 34 **IC 20 apply throughout this SECTION.**
 35 **(b) Notwithstanding any other law, a school's performance**
 36 **category under IC 20-31-8-3 may not decrease more than one (1)**
 37 **letter grade during a particular school year for the:**
 38 **(1) 2015-2016 school year; and**
 39 **(2) 2016-2017 school year.**
 40 **(c) This SECTION expires January 1, 2018.**

