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HOUSE BILL No. 1224

DIGEST OF HB 1224 (Updated January 23, 2019 11:25 am - DI 116)

Citations Affected: IC 5-2; IC 6-3; IC 20-20; noncode.

Synopsis: School intergenerational safety pilot project. Establishes the school intergenerational safety pilot project (project) to foster positive youth development through intergenerational relationships between individuals who are at least 55 years of age and students and to improve school safety. Provides that the project expires July 1, 2021. Provides that a school corporation selected by the department of education (department) is eligible to receive a grant from the Indiana safe schools fund to administer the project and improve school safety. Provides that an individual who volunteers to participate in the project is entitled to receive an adjusted gross income tax deduction. Provides that the amount of the deduction is the lesser of: (1) \$50 for each full day, which may be prorated on the basis of a six hour day, the taxpayer volunteers; or (2) \$1,000.

Effective: Upon passage; July 1, 2019.

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January 10, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.
January 24, 2019, amended, reported — Do Pass. Referred to Committee on Ways and Means pursuant to Rule 127.

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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~~.

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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 5-2-10.1-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.25-2016,
2 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2019]: Sec. 2. (a) The Indiana safe schools fund is established
4 to do the following:
5 (1) Promote school safety through the:
6 (A) use of dogs trained to detect drugs and illegal substances;
7 and
8 (B) purchase of other equipment and materials used to
9 enhance the safety of schools.
10 (2) Combat truancy.
11 (3) Provide matching grants to schools for school safe haven
12 programs.
13 (4) Provide grants for school safety and safety plans.
14 (5) Provide educational outreach and training to school personnel
15 concerning:
16 (A) the identification of;
17 (B) the prevention of; and

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- 1 (C) intervention in;
 2 bullying.
 3 (6) Provide educational outreach to school personnel and training
 4 to school safety specialists and school resource officers
 5 concerning:
 6 (A) the identification of;
 7 (B) the prevention of; and
 8 (C) intervention in;
 9 criminal organization activities.
 10 (7) Provide grants for school wide programs to improve school
 11 climate and professional development and training for school
 12 personnel concerning:
 13 (A) alternatives to suspension and expulsion; and
 14 (B) evidence based practices that contribute to a positive
 15 school environment, including classroom management skills,
 16 positive behavioral intervention and support, restorative
 17 practices, and social emotional learning.
 18 (b) The fund consists of amounts deposited:
 19 (1) under IC 33-37-9-4; and
 20 (2) from any other public or private source.
 21 (c) The institute shall determine grant recipients from the fund with
 22 a priority on awarding grants in the following order:
 23 (1) A grant for a safety plan.
 24 (2) A safe haven grant requested under section 10 of this chapter.
 25 (3) A safe haven grant requested under section 7 of this chapter.
 26 (d) **Except as provided in subsection (e)**, upon recommendation of
 27 the council, the institute shall establish a method for determining the
 28 maximum amount a grant recipient may receive under this section.
 29 (e) **A school corporation selected to participate in the school
 30 intergenerational safety pilot project by the department under
 31 IC 20-20-46-5 is eligible to receive a grant from the fund in an
 32 amount described in IC 20-20-46-4 in addition to a grant requested
 33 by the school corporation under section 6 of this chapter.**
 34 SECTION 2. IC 6-3-2-27 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
 35 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 36 UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 27. (a) A taxpayer who participates as a
 37 volunteer as part of the school intergenerational safety pilot
 38 project under IC 20-20-46-3(d)(1) is entitled to a deduction against
 39 the taxpayer's adjusted gross income in the taxable year.**
 40 (b) **The amount of the deduction is the lesser of:**
 41 (1) **fifty dollars (\$50) for each full school day, which may be
 42 prorated based on a six (6) hour day, the taxpayer volunteers**



1 in accordance with IC 20-20-46-3(d)(3); or

2 (2) one thousand dollars (1,000).

3 (c) To receive the deduction provided by this section, a taxpayer
4 must claim the deduction on the taxpayer's annual state tax return
5 or returns in the manner prescribed by the department.

6 (d) This section expires January 1, 2022.

7 SECTION 3. IC 20-20-46 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
8 AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
9 JULY 1, 2019]:

10 **Chapter 46. School Intergenerational Safety Pilot Project**

11 **Sec. 1.** As used in this chapter, "project" refers to the school
12 intergenerational safety pilot project established by section 3 of
13 this chapter.

14 **Sec. 2.** As used in this chapter, "project school corporation"
15 refers to a school corporation that is selected by the department to
16 participate in the project under section 5 of this chapter.

17 **Sec. 3. (a)** The school intergenerational safety pilot project is
18 established to foster positive youth development and school safety
19 through intergenerational relationships between senior citizens and
20 students.

21 **(b)** The project shall be developed and administered by the
22 department.

23 **(c)** A school corporation may participate in the project by
24 submitting an application to the department in a manner
25 prescribed by the department.

26 **(d)** A school corporation that participates in the project must
27 agree to:

28 **(1)** recruit not more than sixteen (16) volunteers who are at
29 least fifty-five (55) years of age to:

30 **(A)** patrol public school campuses to report situations
31 involving a threat to the safety of students or staff;

32 **(B)** mentor students through interaction with or by
33 presentations to the students;

34 **(C)** interact with and provide guidance for troubled youth
35 and, if necessary, report situations that may endanger the
36 health or safety of any student or staff member to a school
37 administrator; or

38 **(D)** provide assistance to teachers;

39 **(2)** require a volunteer described in subdivision (1) to obtain
40 an expanded criminal history and child protection index check
41 under IC 20-26-5-10;

42 **(3)** require a volunteer to be present on the school campus



1 during a school day in order for the volunteer to be eligible
 2 for the income tax deduction described in IC 6-3-2-27; and
 3 (4) commit to participate in the project for two (2) consecutive
 4 school years.

5 **Sec. 4.** A school corporation that is accepted to participate in the
 6 project by the department under section 5 of this chapter is eligible
 7 to receive a seventy-five thousand dollar (\$75,000) grant from the
 8 Indiana safe schools fund to administer the project and improve
 9 school safety. A grant awarded under this section may be in
 10 addition to a grant requested by the school corporation under
 11 IC 5-2-10.1-6.

12 **Sec. 5.** The department shall select not more than three (3)
 13 school corporations to participate in the project. To the extent
 14 possible, the department shall select project school corporations in
 15 order to achieve geographic balance throughout Indiana and must
 16 include one (1):

- 17 (1) urban;
- 18 (2) suburban; and
- 19 (3) rural;

20 school corporation.

21 **Sec. 6.** Not later than December 1, 2020, the department shall
 22 submit a report to the governor and, in an electronic format under
 23 IC 5-14-6, to the legislative council summarizing the project and
 24 may make recommendations for suggested legislative changes
 25 regarding the project.

26 **Sec. 7.** This chapter expires July 1, 2021.

27 SECTION 4. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) IC 6-3-2-27, as
 28 added by this act, applies to a taxable year beginning after
 29 December 31, 2018.

30 (b) This SECTION expires January 1, 2020.

31 SECTION 5. An emergency is declared for this act.



COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Education, to which was referred House Bill 1224, 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 2, line 41, after "day" insert ", **which may be prorated based on a six (6) hour day,**".

Page 3, line 42, delete "full".

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1224 as introduced.)

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Committee Vote: yeas 12, nays 0.

