

HOUSE BILL No. 1480

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 4-3-26-10; IC 5-2-10.1-12; IC 5-3-1-3; IC 20-18-2; IC 20-19; IC 20-20-8; IC 20-24; IC 20-24.2-4; IC 20-25; IC 20-26; IC 20-30-8.5-12; IC 20-31; IC 20-32-5.1-16; IC 20-42.5-3-5; IC 20-48-1-1.

Synopsis: Education reporting requirements. Repeals provisions that require the following: (1) Annual school performance reports by school corporations and charter schools. (2) Annual financial reports by school corporations. (3) An annual report regarding foster care youth educational outcomes by the state board of education (state board). (4) An annual report on homeless youth educational outcomes by the state board. (5) The department of education (department) to publish certain information on the department's website regarding teachers and administrators. (6) The department to report on the department's website the median earned income of graduates of a particular school year. (7) An annual report of information concerning the high school equivalency pilot program by participating school corporations. Removes a corresponding provision that provides a school corporation may not issue certain bonds unless the school corporation has filed an annual financial report. Establishes a data base for education information sharing among state agencies. Establishes requirements regarding use of the data base and requesting information from school corporations and public schools. Establishes the education information committee (committee). Requires the committee to: (1) study and make recommendations for reducing and streamlining information requests and production from school corporations and public schools; and (2) submit a report to the governor and legislative council concerning the committee's recommendation.

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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 4-3-26-10, AS AMENDED BY P.L.216-2021,
2 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 10. The MPH shall do the following:
4 (1) Establish and maintain a program to collect, analyze, and
5 exchange government information in carrying out the powers and
6 duties of the OMB and the powers and duties of the executive
7 state agency sharing the data. In carrying out this program, the
8 MPH may, in accordance with IC 4-1-6, obtain government
9 information from each executive state agency.
10 (2) In accordance with IC 4-1-6 and IC 5-14-3, establish and
11 maintain a program to make government information available to
12 executive state agencies, political subdivisions, educational
13 institutions, researchers, nongovernmental organizations, and the
14 general public, subject to the following:
15 (A) A request for data subject to IC 4-1-6-8.6 shall be made in
16 conformance with that section.
17 (B) A program established and maintained under this chapter



- 1 must include policies governing access to government
 2 information held by the MPH under this chapter. Government
 3 information may be made available only in accordance with
 4 applicable confidentiality and disclosure laws.
- 5 (3) Establish privacy and quality policies for government
 6 information that comply with all applicable Indiana and federal
 7 laws, rules, and policies.
- 8 (4) In accordance with standards developed by the office of
 9 technology established by IC 4-13.1-2-1, establish and maintain
 10 a program to ensure the security of government information under
 11 this chapter.
- 12 (5) Conduct operational and procedural audits of executive state
 13 agencies.
- 14 (6) Perform financial planning and design and implement
 15 efficiency projects for executive state agencies.
- 16 (7) Advise and assist each executive state agency to identify and
 17 implement continuous process improvement in state government.
- 18 (8) Carry out such other responsibilities as may be designated by
 19 the director of the OMB or the chief data officer to carry out the
 20 responsibilities of the OMB or the chief data officer.
- 21 ~~(9) Collect income data of or by a student upon the student's~~
 22 ~~graduation from high school that can be linked to the student's~~
 23 ~~kindergarten through grade 12 student identification number~~
 24 ~~necessary for the department to carry out IC 20-19-3-22.3. The~~
 25 ~~MPH may not disclose any personal, identifiable information to~~
 26 ~~the department.~~

27 SECTION 2. IC 5-2-10.1-12, AS AMENDED BY P.L.115-2017,
 28 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 29 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 12. (a) Each school corporation shall establish a
 30 safe school committee. The committee may be a subcommittee of the
 31 committee that develops the strategic and continuous school
 32 improvement and achievement plan under IC 20-31-5. Each committee
 33 may include at least one (1) member who is a member of the support
 34 staff of the school or school corporation career and technical education
 35 school.

36 (b) The department of education, the school corporation's school
 37 safety specialist, and, upon request, a school resource officer (as
 38 described in IC 20-26-18.2-1) shall provide materials and guidelines to
 39 assist a safe school committee in developing a plan and policy for the
 40 school that addresses the following issues:

- 41 (1) Unsafe conditions, crime prevention, school violence,
 42 bullying, criminal organization activity, child abuse and child



- 1 sexual abuse, and other issues that prevent the maintenance of a
 2 safe school.
- 3 (2) Professional development needs for faculty and staff to
 4 implement methods that decrease problems identified under
 5 subdivision (1).
- 6 (3) Methods to encourage:
- 7 (A) involvement by the community and students;
 8 (B) development of relationships between students and school
 9 faculty and staff; and
 10 (C) use of problem solving teams.
- 11 (c) As a part of the plan developed under subsection (b), each safe
 12 school committee shall provide a copy of the floor plans for each
 13 building located on the school's property that clearly indicates each
 14 exit, the interior rooms and hallways, and the location of any hazardous
 15 materials located in the building to the law enforcement agency and the
 16 fire department that have jurisdiction over the school.
- 17 (d) The guidelines developed under subsection (b) must include age
 18 appropriate, research based information that assists school corporations
 19 and safe school committees in:
- 20 (1) developing and implementing bullying prevention programs;
 21 (2) establishing investigation and reporting procedures related to
 22 bullying; and
 23 (3) adopting discipline rules that comply with IC 20-33-8-13.5.
- 24 (e) In addition to developing guidelines under subsection (b), the
 25 department of education shall establish categories of types of bullying
 26 incidents to allow school corporations to use the categories in making
 27 reports under ~~IC 20-20-8-8~~ and IC 20-34-6-1.
- 28 (f) The materials and guidelines provided under subsection (b) must
 29 include the model educational materials and model response policies
 30 and reporting procedures on child abuse and child sexual abuse
 31 developed or identified under IC 20-19-3-11.
- 32 SECTION 3. IC 5-3-1-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.92-2020,
 33 SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 34 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 3. (a) Within sixty (60) days after the expiration
 35 of each calendar year, the fiscal officer of each civil city and town in
 36 Indiana shall publish an annual report of the receipts and expenditures
 37 of the city or town during the preceding calendar year.
- 38 (b) ~~Not earlier than August 1 or later than August 15 of each year,~~
 39 ~~the secretary of each school corporation in Indiana shall publish either:~~
 40 ~~(1) an annual financial report; or~~
 41 ~~(2) a summary of the annual financial report with a description of~~
 42 ~~how to find and view the full annual fiscal report on the Internet.~~



1 The summary must include the following:

2 (A) The total amounts for:

3 (i) approved budget receipts for each property tax fund and
4 the total for the approved budget receipts for all of the
5 property tax funds combined; and

6 (ii) actual receipts for each property tax fund and the total
7 for the approved budget receipts for all of the property tax
8 funds combined.

9 (B) The total amounts for:

10 (i) approved budget expenditures for each property tax fund
11 and the total for the approved budget expenditures for all of
12 the property tax funds combined; and

13 (ii) actual expenditures for all property tax funds and the
14 total for the approved budget receipts for all of the property
15 tax funds combined.

16 (C) The minimum teacher salary range:

17 (D) The maximum teacher salary range:

18 (E) High school extracurricular salaries for head athletic
19 coaches and orchestra, music, and band leaders:

20 (F) The salary ranges for noncertificated employees (as
21 defined in IC 20-29-2-11) classifications:

22 (G) The:

23 (i) lowest salary;

24 (ii) highest salary; and

25 (iii) average salary;

26 for a certificated administrative staff employee.

27 (H) Student enrollment disaggregated by grade level.

28 (I) The total assessed valuation for property and the property
29 tax rate per property tax fund for the past two (2) years.

30 (J) The type of indebtedness for the school corporation and the
31 amount of principal that is outstanding.

32 (e) In the annual financial report the school corporation shall
33 include the following:

34 (1) Actual receipts and expenditures by major accounts as
35 compared to the budget advertised under IC 6-1.1-17-3 for the
36 prior calendar year.

37 (2) The salary schedule for all certificated employees (as defined
38 in IC 20-29-2-4) as of June 30; with the number of employees at
39 each salary increment. However, the listing of salaries of
40 individual teachers is not required.

41 (3) The extracurricular salary schedule as of June 30.

42 (4) The range of rates of pay for all noncertificated employees by



- 1 specific classification:
- 2 (5) The number of employees who are full-time certificated;
- 3 part-time certificated; full-time noncertificated; and part-time
- 4 noncertificated.
- 5 (6) The lowest, highest, and average salary for the administrative
- 6 staff and the number of administrators without a listing of the
- 7 names of particular administrators.
- 8 (7) The number of students enrolled at each grade level and the
- 9 total enrollment.
- 10 (8) The assessed valuation of the school corporation for the prior
- 11 and current calendar year.
- 12 (9) The tax rate for each fund for the prior and current calendar
- 13 year.
- 14 (10) In the education fund and operations fund; a report of the
- 15 total payment made to each vendor from each fund in excess of
- 16 two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) during the prior
- 17 calendar year. However, a school corporation is not required to
- 18 include more than two hundred (200) vendors whose total
- 19 payment to each vendor was in excess of two thousand five
- 20 hundred dollars (\$2,500). A school corporation shall list the
- 21 vendors in descending order from the vendor with the highest
- 22 total payment to the vendor with the lowest total payment above
- 23 the minimum listed in this subdivision.
- 24 (11) A statement providing that the contracts, vouchers, and bills
- 25 for all payments made by the school corporation are in its
- 26 possession and open to public inspection.
- 27 (12) The total indebtedness as of the end of the prior calendar
- 28 year showing the total amount of notes, bonds, certificates, claims
- 29 due, total amount due from such corporation for public
- 30 improvement assessments or intersections of streets, and any and
- 31 all other evidences of indebtedness outstanding and unpaid at the
- 32 close of the prior calendar year.
- 33 (d) The school corporation may provide an interpretation or
- 34 explanation of the information included in the financial report.
- 35 (e) The department of education shall do the following:
- 36 (1) Develop guidelines for the preparation and form of the
- 37 financial report.
- 38 (2) Provide information to assist school corporations in the
- 39 preparation of the financial report.
- 40 (f) (b) The annual reports required by this section and IC 36-2-2-19
- 41 and the abstract required by IC 36-6-4-13 shall each be published one
- 42 (1) time only, in accordance with this chapter.



1 (g) Each school corporation shall submit to the department of
 2 education a copy of the financial report required under this section. The
 3 department of education shall make the financial reports available on
 4 the department of education's Internet web site.

5 (h) As used in this subsection, "bonds" means any bonds; notes; or
 6 other evidences of indebtedness; whether payable from property taxes;
 7 other taxes; revenues; fees; or any other source. However, the term does
 8 not include notes; warrants; or other evidences of indebtedness that
 9 have a maturity of not more than five (5) years and that are made in
 10 anticipation of and to be paid from revenues of the school corporation.
 11 Notwithstanding any other law, a school corporation may not issue any
 12 bonds unless the school corporation has filed the annual financial
 13 report required under subsection (b) with the department of education.
 14 The requirements under this subsection for the issuance of bonds by a
 15 school corporation are in addition to any other requirements imposed
 16 under any other law. This subsection applies to the issuance of bonds
 17 authorized under any statute, regardless of whether that statute
 18 specifically references this subsection or the requirements under this
 19 subsection.

20 SECTION 4. IC 20-18-2-2.6 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY
 21 1, 2023]. Sec. 2.6. "Chronic absenteeism" has the meaning set forth in
 22 IC 20-20-8-8.

23 SECTION 5. IC 20-18-2-6.5, AS ADDED BY P.L.246-2013,
 24 SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 25 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 6.5. "Habitual truant", has the meaning set forth
 26 in IC 20-20-8-8: **except as provided in IC 20-30-2-2.2 and**
 27 **IC 20-33-2-11, refers to a student who has been absent from school**
 28 **ten (10) days or more within a school year without being excused**
 29 **or without being absent under a parental request that has been**
 30 **filed with the school.**

31 SECTION 6. IC 20-19-3-17 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
 32 2023]. Sec. 17. (a) As used in this section, "foster care" has the
 33 meaning set forth in IC 31-9-2-46.7.

34 (b) As used in this section, "foster care youth" means students in
 35 foster care:

36 (c) As used in this section, "graduation rate" has the meaning set
 37 forth in IC 20-26-13-6.

38 (d) The state board shall, in collaboration with the department and
 39 the department of child services, annually prepare a report on foster
 40 care youth educational outcomes that includes the following:

41 (1) The annual graduation rate of foster care youth, including the
 42 following information:



- 1 (A) The graduation rate for each of the following:
- 2 (i) Foster care youth who received a graduation waiver
- 3 under IC 20-32-4-4.
- 4 (ii) Foster care youth who did not receive a graduation
- 5 waiver under IC 20-32-4-4.
- 6 (B) The number and percentage of foster care youth who
- 7 received each type of diploma.
- 8 (2) The adjusted cohort graduation rate for foster care youth;
- 9 including the adjusted cohort graduation rate for each of the
- 10 following:
- 11 (A) Foster care youth who received a graduation waiver under
- 12 IC 20-32-4-4.
- 13 (B) Foster care youth who did not receive a graduation waiver
- 14 under IC 20-32-4-4.
- 15 (3) The number and percentage for each of the following:
- 16 (A) Foster care youth who were promoted to the next grade
- 17 level at the end of the school year.
- 18 (B) Foster care youth who were retained in the same grade
- 19 level for the next school year.
- 20 (C) Foster care youth who were suspended during the school
- 21 year.
- 22 (D) Foster care youth who were expelled during the school
- 23 year.
- 24 (E) Foster care youth who met academic standards on
- 25 statewide assessment program tests (as defined in
- 26 IC 20-32-2-2.3) administered during the school year.
- 27 The information reported under this subdivision must also be
- 28 disaggregated by race; grade; gender; free or reduced price lunch
- 29 status; and eligibility for special education.
- 30 (4) The number and percentage of eligible foster care youth who
- 31 are enrolled in the prekindergarten pilot program under
- 32 IC 12-17.2-7.2.
- 33 (5) The number and percentage of foster care youth who passed
- 34 the reading skills evaluation administered under IC 20-32-8.5-2.
- 35 (6) The number and percentage of foster care youth enrolled in
- 36 schools; disaggregated by the category or designation of the
- 37 school under IC 20-31-8-3.
- 38 (7) The number and percentage of foster care youth enrolled in
- 39 schools; disaggregated by the type of school; including public
- 40 schools; charter schools; and secure private facilities (as defined
- 41 in IC 31-9-2-115).
- 42 (e) Not later than June 30, 2019; the department shall:



1 (1) after consulting with the department of child services, develop
2 a remediation plan concerning foster care youth; and

3 (2) submit a copy of the remediation plan to the following:

4 (A) The state board.

5 (B) The department of child services.

6 (C) The legislative council in an electronic format under
7 IC 5-14-6.

8 (f) Before April 1, 2019, and before April 1 each year thereafter, the
9 department shall submit the report described in subsection (d) to the
10 following:

11 (1) Department of child services.

12 (2) Legislative council in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

13 SECTION 7. IC 20-19-3-18 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
14 2023]. Sec. 18. (a) As used in this section, "graduation rate" has the
15 meaning set forth in IC 20-26-13-6.

16 (b) The state board shall, in collaboration with the department and
17 the department of child services, annually prepare a report on homeless
18 youth educational outcomes that includes the following:

19 (1) The annual graduation rate of homeless youth, including the
20 following information:

21 (A) The graduation rate for each of the following:

22 (i) Homeless youth who received a graduation waiver under
23 IC 20-32-4-4.

24 (ii) Homeless youth who did not receive a graduation waiver
25 under IC 20-32-4-4.

26 (B) The number and percentage of homeless youth who
27 received each type of diploma.

28 (2) The adjusted cohort graduation rate for homeless youth,
29 including the adjusted cohort graduation rate for each of the
30 following:

31 (A) Homeless youth who received a graduation waiver under
32 IC 20-32-4-4.

33 (B) Homeless youth who did not receive a graduation waiver
34 under IC 20-32-4-4.

35 (3) The number and percentage of each of the following:

36 (A) Homeless youth who were promoted to the next grade
37 level at the end of the school year.

38 (B) Homeless youth who were retained in the same grade level
39 for the next school year.

40 (C) Homeless youth who were suspended during the school
41 year.

42 (D) Homeless youth who were expelled during the school year.



- 1 (E) Homeless youth who met academic standards on statewide
 2 assessment program tests (as defined in IC 20-32-2-2.3)
 3 administered during the school year:
 4 The information reported under this subdivision must also be
 5 disaggregated by race, grade, gender, free or reduced price lunch
 6 status, and eligibility for special education:
 7 (4) The number and percentage of eligible homeless youth who
 8 are enrolled in the prekindergarten pilot program under
 9 IC 12-17.2-7.2.
 10 (5) The number and percentage of homeless youth who passed the
 11 reading skills evaluation administered under IC 20-32-8.5-2.
 12 (6) The number and percentage of homeless youth enrolled in
 13 schools, disaggregated by the category or designation of the
 14 school under IC 20-31-8-3.
 15 (7) The number and percentage of homeless youth enrolled in
 16 schools, disaggregated by the type of school, including public
 17 schools, charter schools, and secure private facilities (as defined
 18 in IC 31-9-2-115).
- 19 (c) Not later than August 31, 2019, the department shall:
 20 (1) develop a remediation plan concerning homeless youth; and
 21 (2) submit a copy of the remediation plan to the following:
 22 (A) The state board;
 23 (B) The Indiana housing and community development
 24 authority established by IC 5-20-1-3;
 25 (C) The legislative council in an electronic format under
 26 IC 5-14-6.
- 27 (d) Before June 1, 2019, and before June 1 each year thereafter, the
 28 department shall submit the report described in subsection (b) to the
 29 following:
 30 (1) The Indiana housing and community development authority;
 31 (2) The legislative council in an electronic format under
 32 IC 5-14-6.
- 33 SECTION 8. IC 20-19-3-20 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
 34 2023]. Sec. 20: The department shall publish the following information
 35 on the department's Internet web site:
 36 (1) The information reported under IC 20-29-3-15(b)(20) in the
 37 most recent report prepared under IC 20-29-3-15.
 38 (2) The number of emergency permits granted by each school
 39 corporation, categorized by content area, during the school year
 40 or collective bargaining period covered by the most recent report
 41 prepared under IC 20-29-3-15.
 42 (3) The total number of teaching candidates who:



- 1 (A) are currently enrolled in a teacher preparation program; or
- 2 (B) have recently completed a teacher preparation program.
- 3 (4) The increase or decrease in kindergarten through grade 12
- 4 student enrollments.
- 5 (5) The total number of teachers in Indiana.
- 6 (6) The teacher workforce growth.
- 7 (7) The administrator workforce growth.
- 8 (8) For each school corporation, the number of vacant teaching
- 9 positions by:
- 10 (A) grade;
- 11 (B) subject; and
- 12 (C) required credential;
- 13 with critical shortage areas, as determined by unfilled vacancies;
- 14 highlighted for each school corporation.

15 SECTION 9. IC 20-19-3-22.3 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY
 16 1, 2023]. Sec. 22.3: (a) Beginning with students who graduated during
 17 the 2017-2018 school year and not later than January 1, 2022, the
 18 department, in collaboration with the management performance hub
 19 established by IC 4-3-26-8, shall report on the department's Internet
 20 web site the median earned income of graduates of a particular school
 21 year, for each school corporation, charter high school, or state
 22 accredited nonpublic school.

23 (b) The median earned income for a particular graduating class shall
 24 be available on the department's Internet web site for a period of ten
 25 (10) years beginning with the school year in which the median earned
 26 income for a particular graduating class is initially reported in this
 27 section. The median earned income of a particular graduating class for
 28 a school corporation, charter school, or state accredited nonpublic
 29 school shall be updated annually.

30 (c) The department may not disclose any personal, identifiable
 31 information of any individual under this section.

32 SECTION 10. IC 20-19-9-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.211-2019,
 33 SECTION 18, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 34 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 5. A school corporation that operates a virtual
 35 education program must require that if a student who attends a school
 36 corporation's virtual education program accumulates the number of
 37 unexcused absences sufficient to result in the student's classification as
 38 a habitual truant, (as described in IC 20-20-8-8(a)(17)); the student
 39 must be withdrawn from enrollment in the school corporation's virtual
 40 education program.

41 SECTION 11. IC 20-19-11 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
 42 AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE



1 JULY 1, 2023]:

2 **Chapter 11. Education Information Sharing Among State**
3 **Agencies**

4 **Sec. 1. As used in this section, "public school" includes a charter**
5 **school.**

6 **Sec. 2. As used in this section, "state agency" has the meaning**
7 **set forth in IC 4-15-14-6.**

8 **Sec. 3. (a) Subject to subsection (g), all state agencies shall**
9 **annually submit a report to the department that includes a**
10 **summary of the following:**

11 (1) Each request and receipt by the state agency of
12 information from a school corporation or public school.

13 (2) The rationale for or applicable state or federal law that
14 requires the state agency to request the information described
15 in subdivision (1).

16 (b) Subject to subsection (g), the department shall do the
17 following:

18 (1) Not later than August 1, 2023, compile a comprehensive
19 list that includes the following:

20 (A) The summary of each request and receipt of
21 information as submitted by each state agency under
22 subsection (a), including a summary of each request and
23 receipt of information from a school corporation or public
24 school by the department.

25 (B) The state agency that requested the information.

26 (C) The date that the state agency:

27 (i) requested the information; and

28 (ii) received the information.

29 (2) Update the list described in subdivision (1) at least one (1)
30 time each year.

31 (3) Remove any requests and receipts of information on the
32 list that are duplicative.

33 (4) Make the list compiled under subdivision (1) available to
34 all state agencies.

35 (c) After August 1, 2023, before a state agency may request
36 information from a school corporation or public school, the state
37 agency must do the following:

38 (1) Search the list compiled under subsection (b).

39 (2) If the information that the state agency is collecting is on
40 the list, request the information from the state agency that has
41 the information.

42 (d) After August 1, 2023, a state agency may not request



1 information from a school corporation or public school unless the
2 information:

- 3 (1) is not on the list compiled under subsection (b); or
4 (2) is on the list but the state agency is unable to obtain the
5 information from the state agency that is listed as having
6 received the information.

7 (e) After August 1, 2023, if a state agency requests information
8 from a school corporation or public school, the state agency must
9 provide a written statement with the request for information that
10 states that the information:

- 11 (1) is not on the list compiled under subsection (b); or
12 (2) is on the list but the state agency is unable to obtain the
13 information from the other state agency.

14 (f) A school corporation or public school may not be penalized
15 for not responding to a request for information from a state agency
16 if the state agency has not complied with this section regarding the
17 information being requested.

18 (g) A state agency shall provide information as required under
19 this section in a manner that complies with the federal Family
20 Educational Rights and Privacy Act (20 U.S.C. 1232g).

21 (h) This section expires July 1, 2025.

22 Sec. 4. (a) Not later than July 1, 2024, the office of technology
23 established by IC 4-13.1-2-1 shall develop a data base that:

- 24 (1) permits each state agency to submit information that the
25 state agency receives from a school corporation or public
26 school; and
27 (2) permits all state agencies to access information submitted
28 by any other state agency.

29 (b) After July 1, 2024, and subject to subsection (e), a state
30 agency:

- 31 (1) shall annually submit information that the state agency
32 receives from a school corporation or public school;
33 (2) shall search the data base before requesting any
34 information from a school corporation or public school; and
35 (3) may not request information from a school corporation or
36 public school unless the information the state agency is
37 requesting is not accessible in the data base.

38 (c) After July 1, 2024, if a state agency requests information
39 from a school corporation or public school, the state agency must
40 provide a written statement with the request for information that
41 states that the information is not accessible in the data base.

42 (d) If a state agency requests information from a school



1 corporation or public school and has not complied with this
2 chapter regarding the information:

3 (1) the school corporation or public school may not be
4 penalized for not responding to the request; and

5 (2) if the school corporation or public school responds to the
6 request, the state agency must pay the public school any
7 actual costs in providing the information to the state agency.

8 (e) A state agency shall provide information as required under
9 this section in a manner that complies with the federal Family
10 Educational Rights and Privacy Act (20 U.S.C. 1232g).

11 **Sec. 5. (a) There is established an education information**
12 **committee. The committee consists of nine (9) members as follows:**

13 (1) The secretary of education or the secretary's designee.

14 (2) The director of the office of management and budget or
15 the director's designee.

16 (3) The following members appointed by the governor:

17 (A) One (1) representative from the Indiana Association of
18 School Business Officials.

19 (B) One (1) representative from the Indiana Association of
20 School Principals who is employed by a school corporation.

21 (C) One (1) representative from the Indiana Association of
22 School Principals who is not employed by a school
23 corporation.

24 (D) One (1) representative from the Indiana Association of
25 Public School Superintendents.

26 (4) One (1) member of the house of representatives appointed
27 by the speaker of the house of representatives.

28 (5) One (1) member of the senate appointed by the president
29 pro tempore of the senate.

30 (6) One (1) member who is a teacher appointed by the
31 secretary of education.

32 (b) The department shall staff the committee.

33 (c) The secretary of education or the secretary's designee shall
34 serve as chairperson of the committee. The committee shall meet
35 at the call of the chairperson. The committee shall meet at least one
36 (1) time each year.

37 (d) The affirmative vote of at least a majority of the members of
38 the committee is necessary for the committee to take official action.

39 (e) The committee shall:

40 (1) study and make recommendations for reducing and
41 streamlining information requests and the production of
42 information from school corporations and public schools; and



1 (2) not later than July 1, 2024, and not later than July 1 of
2 each year thereafter, do the following:

3 (A) Prepare a report that includes any recommendations
4 from the committee as described in subdivision (1).

5 (B) Submit the report to the:
6 (i) governor; and
7 (ii) legislative council in an electronic format under
8 IC 5-14-6.

9 (f) Each member of the committee who is not a state employee
10 is entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by
11 IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). The member is also entitled to reimbursement
12 for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other
13 expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties
14 as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the
15 Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget
16 agency.

17 (g) Each member of the committee who is a state employee is
18 entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under
19 IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection
20 with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and
21 procedures established by the Indiana department of
22 administration and approved by the budget agency.

23 (h) Each member of the committee who is a member of the
24 general assembly is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage,
25 and travel allowances paid to members of the general assembly
26 serving on interim study committees created by the legislative
27 council.

28 SECTION 12. IC 20-20-8 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
29 2023]. (School Corporation Annual Performance Report).

30 SECTION 13. IC 20-24-5-4.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.38-2020,
31 SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
32 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 4.5. (a) A virtual charter school shall establish and
33 implement an annual onboarding process and orientation for virtual
34 charter school students and the students' parents. As part of the annual
35 onboarding process and orientation, the virtual charter school must
36 provide to a parent of a student:

37 (1) the student engagement and attendance requirements or
38 policies of the virtual charter school; and

39 (2) notice that a person who knowingly or intentionally deprives
40 a dependent of education commits a violation under IC 35-46-1-4.

41 (b) A student who is not enrolled in a virtual charter school before
42 July 1, 2020, must complete the annual onboarding process and



1 orientation established by the virtual charter school under subsection
 2 (a) with the student's parent before the student may enroll in the virtual
 3 charter school. If a student or student's parent does not participate in
 4 the virtual charter school's annual onboarding process and orientation
 5 established under subsection (a), the student may not enroll in the
 6 virtual charter school.

7 (c) An authorizer shall review and monitor whether a virtual charter
 8 school that is authorized by the authorizer complies with the
 9 requirements under this section.

10 (d) An individual who is employed as a licensed teacher at a virtual
 11 charter school must comply with any mandatory licensed teacher
 12 training that is required under this title.

13 (e) A virtual charter school must require that if a student who
 14 attends a virtual charter school accumulates the number of unexcused
 15 absences sufficient to result in the student's classification as a habitual
 16 truant, ~~(as described in IC 20-20-8-8(a)(17))~~; the student must be
 17 withdrawn from enrollment in the virtual charter school.

18 (f) Except as provided in IC 20-26-19, a virtual charter school may
 19 not enroll a student unless the student is an Indiana resident. If the
 20 virtual charter school is unable to verify that a student who attends the
 21 virtual charter school is an Indiana resident, the virtual charter school
 22 must pay back to the department the state tuition support distribution
 23 in an amount determined by the department that the virtual charter
 24 school received for that student.

25 SECTION 14. IC 20-24-9-6 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
 26 2023]. ~~Sec. 6: The organizer of a charter school shall publish an annual
 27 performance report that provides the information required under
 28 IC 20-20-8-8 in the same manner that a school corporation publishes
 29 an annual report under IC 20-20-8.~~

30 SECTION 15. IC 20-24.2-4-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.125-2022,
 31 SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 32 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 3. (a) Except as specifically provided in this
 33 article and section 4 of this chapter, the following provisions of this
 34 title and a rule or guideline adopted by the state board under one (1) of
 35 the following provisions of this title do not apply to a qualified district
 36 or qualified high school:

37 (1) Provisions that do not apply to school corporations in general.

38 (2) IC 20-20 (programs administered by the state), except for
 39 IC 20-20-1 (educational service centers). ~~and IC 20-20-8 (school
 40 corporation annual performance report).~~

41 (3) IC 20-28 (school teachers), except for IC 20-28-3-4 (teacher
 42 continuing education), IC 20-28-4-8 (hiring of transition to



1 teaching participants; restrictions), IC 20-28-4-11 (transition to
 2 teaching participants; school corporation or subject area;
 3 transition to teaching permit), IC 20-28-5-8 (conviction of certain
 4 felonies or misdemeanors; notice and hearing; permanent
 5 revocation of license; data base of school employees who have
 6 been reported), IC 20-28-6 (teacher contracts), IC 20-28-7.5
 7 (cancellation of teacher contracts), IC 20-28-8 (contracts with
 8 school administrators), IC 20-28-9 (teacher salary and related
 9 payments), IC 20-28-10 (conditions of employment), and
 10 IC 20-28-11.5 (staff performance evaluations).

11 (4) IC 20-30 (curriculum), except for IC 20-30-3-2 and
 12 IC 20-30-3-4 (patriotic commemorative observances),
 13 IC 20-30-5-13 (human sexuality instructional requirements), and
 14 IC 20-30-5-19 (personal financial responsibility instruction).

15 (5) IC 20-32 (student standards, assessments, and performance),
 16 except for IC 20-32-4 (graduation requirements), IC 20-32-5
 17 (Indiana statewide testing for educational progress for a school
 18 year ending before July 1, 2018), IC 20-32-5.1 (statewide
 19 assessment program for a school year beginning after June 30,
 20 2018), and IC 20-32-8 (remediation).

21 (6) IC 20-37 (career and technical education).

22 (b) Notwithstanding any other law, a school corporation may not
 23 receive a decrease in state funding based upon the school corporation's
 24 status as a qualified district or the status of a high school within the
 25 school corporation as a qualified high school, or because of the
 26 implementation of a waiver of a statute or rule that is allowed to be
 27 waived by a qualified district or qualified high school.

28 SECTION 16. IC 20-24.2-4-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.126-2022,
 29 SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 30 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 4. The following provisions of this title and rules
 31 and guidelines adopted under the following provisions of this title
 32 apply to a qualified district or qualified high school:

33 IC 20-20-1 (educational service centers).

34 ~~IC 20-20-8 (school corporation annual performance report).~~

35 IC 20-23 (organization of school corporations).

36 IC 20-26 (school corporation general administrative provisions).

37 IC 20-27 (school transportation).

38 IC 20-28-3-4 (teacher continuing education).

39 IC 20-28-4-8 (hiring of transition to teaching participants;
 40 restrictions).

41 IC 20-28-4-11 (transition to teaching participants; school
 42 corporation or subject area; transition to teaching permit).



1 IC 20-28-5-8 (conviction of certain felonies or misdemeanors;
 2 notice and hearing; permanent revocation of license; data base of
 3 school employees who have been reported).
 4 IC 20-28-6 (teacher contracts).
 5 IC 20-28-7.5 (cancellation of teacher contracts).
 6 IC 20-28-8 (contracts with school administrators).
 7 IC 20-28-9 (teacher salary and related payments).
 8 IC 20-28-10 (conditions of employment).
 9 IC 20-28-11.5 (staff performance evaluations).
 10 IC 20-29 (collective bargaining for teachers).
 11 IC 20-30-3-2 and IC 20-30-3-4 (patriotic commemorative
 12 observances).
 13 IC 20-30-5-13 (human sexuality instructional requirements).
 14 IC 20-30-5-19 (personal financial responsibility instruction).
 15 IC 20-31 (accountability for school performance and
 16 improvement).
 17 IC 20-32-4, IC 20-32-5 (for a school year beginning before July
 18 1, 2018), IC 20-32-5.1 (for a school year ending after June 30,
 19 2018), and IC 20-32-8 (accreditation, assessment, and
 20 remediation), or any other statute, rule, or guideline related to
 21 standardized assessments.
 22 IC 20-33 (students: general provisions).
 23 IC 20-34-3 (health and safety measures).
 24 IC 20-35 (special education).
 25 IC 20-35.5 (dyslexia screening and intervention).
 26 IC 20-36 (high ability students).
 27 IC 20-39 (accounting and financial reporting procedures).
 28 IC 20-40 (government funds and accounts).
 29 IC 20-41 (extracurricular funds and accounts).
 30 IC 20-42.5 (allocation of expenditures to student instruction and
 31 learning).
 32 IC 20-43 (state tuition support).
 33 IC 20-44 (property tax levies).
 34 IC 20-46 (levies other than general fund levies).
 35 IC 20-47 (related entities; holding companies; lease agreements).
 36 IC 20-48 (borrowing and bonds).
 37 IC 20-49 (state management of common school funds; state
 38 advances and loans).
 39 IC 20-50 (homeless children and foster care children).
 40 SECTION 17. IC 20-25-9-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005,
 41 SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 42 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 5. Each school in the school city shall measure



1 and record:
 2 (1) the students' achievement in reaching the school's student
 3 performance improvement levels established under IC 20-25-11;
 4 (2) student achievement information for the school described in
 5 ~~IC 20-20-8-8 and IC 20-25-9-6~~; **section 6 of this chapter**; and
 6 (3) teacher and administrative performance information for the
 7 school described in ~~IC 20-25-9-6~~; **section 6 of this chapter**;
 8 which in each case must not be less rigorous than the student
 9 performance improvement levels and information developed and
 10 required under IC 20-31-8.

11 SECTION 18. IC 20-25-9-6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.244-2017,
 12 SECTION 37, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 13 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 6. For all schools under this article, the report
 14 must include the following: ~~in addition to the requirements of~~
 15 ~~IC 20-20-8-8~~:

- 16 (1) Student achievement information as follows:
 17 (A) For each elementary and middle school, grade
 18 advancement rates.
 19 (B) For each high school, the percentage of students who apply
 20 to, are accepted by, and attend a college, university, or other
 21 postsecondary educational institution after high school.
 22 (2) Administrative performance measures as follows:
 23 (A) School receipts and expenditures by source, compared
 24 with budget amounts.
 25 (B) Total school enrollment.
 26 (C) The school's education fund expenditures per student,
 27 operations fund expenditures per student, and total
 28 expenditures per student.
 29 (D) The amount of the school's education fund expenditures
 30 and the percentage of total expenditures that are from the
 31 education fund.
 32 (E) Teacher/pupil ratios totaled by class, grade, and school.
 33 (F) Administrator/pupil ratio for the school.
 34 (G) Teacher attendance rates totaled by class, grade, and
 35 school.
 36 (3) Achievement on the annual performance objectives identified
 37 under IC 20-25-11.
 38 (4) The performance objectives established under IC 20-25-11 for
 39 the upcoming school year.
 40 (5) State and school city averages for each of the measures set
 41 forth in subdivisions (1) through (2), if available.

42 SECTION 19. IC 20-25-10-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005,



1 SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
2 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 2. The plan modified, developed, and
3 implemented under this chapter must do the following:

4 (1) Provide for efforts to increase support of the schools by:

5 (A) the parents of students; and

6 (B) the neighborhood communities surrounding the schools.

7 (2) Establish student performance improvement levels for
8 students in each school in the school city that are not less rigorous
9 than the student performance improvement levels developed
10 under IC 20-31.

11 (3) Provide opportunity and support for the educators in each
12 school to develop a school plan, including:

13 (A) traditional or innovative methods and approaches to
14 improve student achievement; and

15 (B) efficient and cost effective management efforts in the
16 school;

17 that are developed consistently with IC 20-25-12-1 and with the
18 board's plan developed under this chapter.

19 (4) Require annual reports identifying the progress of student
20 achievement for each school as described in ~~IC 20-20-8-8~~ and
21 IC 20-25-9-6.

22 (5) Provide for the effective evaluation of:

23 (A) each school in the school city; and

24 (B) the school's educators;

25 including the consideration of student achievement in the school.

26 (6) Provide a range of opportunity for remediation of students
27 who:

28 (A) fail to meet state achievement standards; or

29 (B) are at risk of academic failure.

30 (7) Require action to raise the level of performance of a school if
31 the school's students fail to achieve student performance
32 improvement levels established for the school under
33 IC 20-25-11-1.

34 SECTION 20. IC 20-26-7-18, AS AMENDED BY P.L.244-2017,
35 SECTION 48, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
36 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 18. Subject to IC 5-1-11.5, ~~and IC 5-3-1-3(h)~~, a
37 school corporation may issue and sell bonds under the general statutes
38 governing the issuance of bonds to purchase and improve buildings or
39 lands, or both. All laws relating to approval (if required) in a local
40 public question under IC 6-1.1-20, the filing of petitions,
41 remonstrances, and objecting petitions, giving notices of the filing of
42 petitions, the determination to issue bonds, and the appropriation of the



1 proceeds of the bonds are applicable to the issuance of bonds under
2 section 17 of this chapter.

3 SECTION 21. IC 20-26-13-13, AS AMENDED BY P.L.125-2020,
4 SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
5 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 13. For any school that cannot provide written
6 proof supporting the school's determination to include a student under
7 any one (1) of clauses (A) through (K) of STEP THREE of section
8 10(a) of this chapter, the department shall require the publication of the
9 corrected graduation rate ~~in the next school year's report required under~~
10 ~~IC 20-20-8-3: on the school's and school corporation's website or in~~
11 **a manner prescribed by the department.**

12 SECTION 22. IC 20-30-8.5-12 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY
13 1, 2023]. ~~Sec. 12: Not later than July 1, 2021, and not later than July 1~~
14 ~~of each year thereafter, participating school corporations shall submit~~
15 ~~a report to the general assembly in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6~~
16 ~~concerning the program that includes the following:~~

- 17 (1) The number of students eligible for the program.
18 (2) The number of eligible students who participated in the
19 program.
20 (3) The number of credits upon entry to the program.
21 (4) The number of eligible students who successfully achieved
22 their high school equivalency through the program.
23 (5) A list of credentials earned upon completion of the program.
24 (6) Information concerning:
25 (A) eligible student:
26 (i) job placement outcomes; and
27 (ii) matriculation into higher education; and
28 (B) any other information concerning outcomes;
29 as of one (1) year and two (2) years after successful completion
30 of the program.
31 (7) Recommendations on improvements to the program.
32 (8) An estimated cost to each school corporation for the program.
33 (9) To the extent possible, the use of the funding received by the
34 school corporation for an eligible student participating in the
35 program during the previous school year and metrics of student
36 achievement and demographics, including:
37 (A) the amount of funding received that was used for each
38 course or program of instruction included in the program;
39 (B) the amount of funding received that was used for
40 transportation costs for students who participate in the
41 program;
42 (C) the amount of funding received that was used for any other



1 purposes relating to the cost of education for an eligible
 2 student who participated in the program; and
 3 ~~(D)~~ metrics of eligible student achievement and demographic
 4 information for those eligible students who participated in the
 5 program during the previous school year; including a
 6 comparison to the metrics of student achievement and
 7 demographic information for those students who were not
 8 participants in the program.

9 ~~(10) Any other relevant consideration.~~

10 SECTION 23. IC 20-31-2-2 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
 11 2023]. Sec. 2: "Annual report" refers to the school corporation annual
 12 performance report required by IC 20-20-8.

13 SECTION 24. IC 20-31-8-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.242-2017,
 14 SECTION 30, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 15 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 2. (a) In addition to scores on the statewide
 16 assessment program test and other assessments, the department shall
 17 use the performance indicators developed by the state board ~~and the~~
 18 ~~benchmarks and indicators of performance in each school corporation's~~
 19 ~~annual performance report~~ as a secondary means of assessing the
 20 performance of each school and school corporation.

21 (b) The department shall assess school performance in the following
 22 manner:

23 (1) Compare the academic performance and growth of the
 24 individual students in each school and each school corporation
 25 with the prior academic performance and growth of the individual
 26 students in the school or school corporation and not to the
 27 performance of other schools or school corporations.

28 ~~(2) Compare the results in the annual report under IC 20-20-8~~
 29 ~~with the benchmarks and indicators of performance established in~~
 30 ~~the plan for the same school.~~

31 ~~(3)~~ (2) Compare the results for a school by comparing each
 32 student's results for each grade with the student's prior year
 33 results, with an adjustment for student mobility rate.

34 ~~(4)~~ (3) Compare the results for a school with the state average and
 35 the ninety-fifth percentile level for all assessments and
 36 performance indicators.

37 SECTION 25. IC 20-31-11-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.43-2021,
 38 SECTION 104, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
 39 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 1. The state board shall implement
 40 the performance based award and incentive program to recognize and
 41 reward schools that have exhibited relative improvement toward the
 42 performance benchmarks and indicators of performance listed in



1 ~~IC 20-20-8-8~~ that are considered appropriate for the school by the
2 secretary of education and the state board.

3 SECTION 26. IC 20-32-5.1-16, AS ADDED BY P.L.242-2017,
4 SECTION 41, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
5 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 16. (a) The department shall develop a format for
6 the publication by school corporations ~~in an annual performance report~~
7 ~~required by statute of appropriate academic information required by the~~
8 ~~department, including the~~ statewide assessment scores and information
9 required to be disaggregated by the department under subsection (b),
10 in a manner that a reasonable person can easily read and understand.

11 (b) The department shall disaggregate from the total results of the
12 statewide assessment test results for a school corporation the
13 percentage of students in each school and each grade in the school
14 corporation that are identified as high ability students (as defined by
15 IC 20-36-1-3) by the school corporation who also achieved a score in
16 the highest performance level designated for the statewide assessment.
17 However, this disaggregation is not required in a case in which the
18 results would reveal personally identifiable information about an
19 individual student under the federal Family Education Rights and
20 Privacy Act (20 U.S.C. 1232g et seq.).

21 SECTION 27. IC 20-42.5-3-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.130-2018,
22 SECTION 90, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
23 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 5. (a) For each school year using the 2005-2006
24 school year as a baseline:

25 (1) the office of management and budget shall analyze and report
26 to the state board, the governor, and the general assembly
27 concerning the progress or lack of progress of each school
28 corporation, of all school corporations in each educational service
29 center's area, and in Indiana as a whole in improving the ratio of
30 student instructional expenditures to all other expenditures for the
31 previous school year;

32 (2) the state board shall recognize publicly each school
33 corporation and educational service center that has an improved
34 ratio of student instructional expenditures to all other
35 expenditures during the previous school year;

36 (3) the office of management and budget and the division of
37 finance of the department shall be available to consult with and
38 provide technical assistance to each school corporation that did
39 not have an improved ratio of student instructional expenditures
40 to all other expenditures during the previous school year; and

41 (4) each school corporation shall report the following information
42 to the public ~~in on~~ the school corporation's ~~annual performance~~



1 ~~report~~ **website or in a manner prescribed by the department**
 2 and to the members of the general assembly whose districts
 3 include the school corporation:

4 (A) The percentage of resources spent by the school
 5 corporation during the previous school year on each of the
 6 following categories of expenditures:

- 7 (i) Student academic achievement expenditures.
 8 (ii) Student instructional support expenditures.
 9 (iii) Overhead and operational expenditures.
 10 (iv) Nonoperational expenditures.

11 (B) The trend line for each category described in clause (A).

12 (C) Whether the school corporation did or did not make
 13 progress in improving the ratio of student instructional
 14 expenditures to all other expenditures during the previous
 15 school year.

16 (b) The reports to the general assembly under subsection (a)(1) and
 17 to individual members of the general assembly under subsection (a)(4)
 18 must be submitted to the executive director of the legislative services
 19 agency in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

20 SECTION 28. IC 20-48-1-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.244-2017,
 21 SECTION 112, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
 22 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 1. (a) As used in this section,
 23 "improvement of real estate" includes:

- 24 (1) construction, reconstruction, remodeling, alteration, or repair
 25 of buildings or additions to buildings;
 26 (2) equipment related to activities specified in subdivision (1);
 27 and
 28 (3) auxiliary facilities related to activities specified in subdivision
 29 (1), including facilities for:
 30 (A) furnishing water, gas, and electricity;
 31 (B) carrying and disposing of sewage and storm and surface
 32 water drainage;
 33 (C) housing of school owned buses;
 34 (D) landscaping of grounds; and
 35 (E) construction of walks, drives, parking areas, playgrounds,
 36 or facilities for physical training.

37 (b) Subject to IC 5-1-11.5, ~~and IC 5-3-1-3(h)~~, a school corporation
 38 is authorized to issue bonds to pay the:

- 39 (1) cost of acquisition and improvement of real estate for school
 40 purposes;
 41 (2) funding of judgments;
 42 (3) cost of the purchase of school buses; and



- 1 (4) incidental expenses incurred in connection with and on
- 2 account of the issuance of the bonds.

