

HOUSE BILL No. 1510

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 2-3-10.

Synopsis: Drug testing for legislators. Requires the legislative council to establish and administer a program to test members of the general assembly for the use of controlled substances.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning the general assembly.

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 2-3-10 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
2 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2015]:
4 **Chapter 10. Drug Testing for Legislators**
5 **Sec. 1. This chapter applies to a member of the general assembly**
6 **who:**
7 (1) **is serving in the general assembly on June 30, 2015; or**
8 (2) **is elected or appointed to the general assembly after June**
9 **30, 2015.**
10 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "body" refers to either of the**
11 **following:**
12 (1) **The house of representatives.**
13 (2) **The senate.**
14 **Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "chamber" refers to either of the**
15 **following:**



- 1 (1) The floor of the house of representatives.
 2 (2) The floor of the senate.
- 3 **Sec. 4.** As used in this chapter, "controlled substance" has the
 4 meaning set forth in IC 35-48-1-9.
- 5 **Sec. 5.** As used in this chapter, "legislative council" refers to the
 6 legislative council created under IC 2-5-1.1-1.
- 7 **Sec. 6.** As used in this chapter, "member" refers to either of the
 8 following:
 9 (1) A member of the house of representatives.
 10 (2) A member of the senate.
- 11 **Sec. 7.** As used in this chapter, "test negative" means that an
 12 individual:
 13 (1) tests negative for the use of a controlled substance in the
 14 individual's body; or
 15 (2) tests positive for the use of a controlled substance in the
 16 individual's body but has:
 17 (A) a valid prescription; or
 18 (B) an order of a practitioner acting in the course of the
 19 practitioner's professional practice;
 20 for the controlled substance.
- 21 **Sec. 8.** As used in this chapter, "test positive" means an
 22 individual:
 23 (1) tests positive for the presence of a controlled substance in
 24 the individual's body; and
 25 (2) does not possess:
 26 (A) a valid prescription; or
 27 (B) an order of a practitioner acting in the course of the
 28 practitioner's professional practice;
 29 for the controlled substance.
- 30 **Sec. 9.** (a) The legislative council shall establish and administer
 31 a program under this chapter to test for the use of a controlled
 32 substance by a member.
 33 (b) The program established under this section must:
 34 (1) allow for a member to consent to random drug testing
 35 described in subdivision (2) by signing a consent form
 36 described in subsection (d);
 37 (2) randomly administer a drug test to fifty percent (50%) of
 38 the members who consent as described in subdivision (1)
 39 during each regular legislative session of the general
 40 assembly; and
 41 (3) require drug testing of members who the:
 42 (A) speaker of the house of representatives; or



- 1 **(B) president pro tempore of the senate;**
 2 **believes, based on reasonable suspicion, are engaged in the**
 3 **illegal use of a controlled substance.**
- 4 **(c) If a member refuses to consent to random drug testing**
 5 **described in subsection (b)(2), the member may not receive any of**
 6 **the following privileges provided to members:**
- 7 **(1) Partisan staff.**
 8 **(2) Franked mail.**
 9 **(3) Reserved parking at the statehouse.**
 10 **(4) Office space at the statehouse.**
 11 **(5) Electronic devices.**
- 12 **(d) The consent form described in subsection (b)(1) must:**
- 13 **(1) allow for a member to consent to random drug testing as**
 14 **described in subsection (b)(2); and**
 15 **(2) provide specific, detailed information concerning the**
 16 **privileges the member will not receive as provided under**
 17 **subsection (c) if the member does not consent to random drug**
 18 **testing.**
- 19 **(e) A drug test administered under subsection (b)(2) or (b)(3)**
 20 **must be performed by a SAMHSA (as defined in IC 22-10-15-3)**
 21 **certified laboratory.**
- 22 **Sec. 10. (a) The speaker of the house of representatives or**
 23 **president pro tempore of the senate is considered to have**
 24 **reasonable suspicion that a member is engaged in the illegal use of**
 25 **a controlled substance for purposes of section 9(b)(3) of this**
 26 **chapter if the member has been:**
- 27 **(1) convicted of a crime; or**
 28 **(2) charged with an offense under IC 35-48 (controlled**
 29 **substances).**
- 30 **(b) The speaker of the house of representatives and president**
 31 **pro tempore of the senate may determine that reasonable suspicion**
 32 **exists under section 9(b)(3) of this chapter from factors other than**
 33 **those listed in subsection (a).**
- 34 **Sec. 11. A member shall submit to a drug test not later than**
 35 **twelve (12) hours after the member is notified that the member has**
 36 **been:**
- 37 **(1) randomly selected for a drug test; or**
 38 **(2) selected for a drug test based on reasonable suspicion.**
- 39 **Sec. 12. Each member of the general assembly shall pay the**
 40 **costs of a drug test administered under this chapter.**
- 41 **Sec. 13. If:**
- 42 **(1) a member who consented to random drug testing under**



- 1 **this chapter refuses to take a drug test;**
 2 **(2) a member refuses to take a drug test based on reasonable**
 3 **suspicion as described in section 9(b)(3) of this chapter;**
 4 **(3) a member fails to take a drug test within the time required**
 5 **under section 11 of this chapter;**
 6 **(4) a member refuses to pay for a drug test as required under**
 7 **section 12 of this chapter; or**
 8 **(5) a finding is made by the member's chamber that the**
 9 **member has tested positive on a drug test;**
 10 **the member shall be assessed a penalty by the member's body**
 11 **under the Constitution of the State of Indiana or the rules adopted**
 12 **by the member's chamber, and the member loses all the privileges**
 13 **listed in section 9(c) of this chapter provided to members.**
 14 **Sec. 14. The following lists shall be made available to the public:**
 15 **(1) The names of all the members who consent to random**
 16 **drug testing under this chapter.**
 17 **(2) The names of all the members who refused to consent to**
 18 **random drug testing under this chapter.**
 19 **(3) The name of each member who is tested under this chapter**
 20 **based on reasonable suspicion as described in section 9(b)(3)**
 21 **of this chapter.**
 22 **(4) The names of all the members who:**
 23 **(A) test positive on a drug test administered under this**
 24 **chapter; and**
 25 **(B) test negative on a drug test administered under this**
 26 **chapter.**

