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Synopsis: Various education matters. Requires the state board of education (state board) to: (1) establish a compilation of longitudinal data indicating school performance success in various selected and enumerated program areas; and (2) present the data for each school in a manner that is commonly known as an Internet dashboard. Requires each school to post on a web page maintained on the school's Internet (Continued next page)

Effective: Upon passage; July 1, 2020 (retroactive); July 1, 2021.

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January 14, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on Education. February 4, 2021, amended, reported — Do Pass. February 8, 2021, read second time, ordered engrossed. Engrossed. February 11, 2021, read third time, passed. Yeas 94, nays 0.

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web site the exact same data and in a similar format as the data presented for the school on the state board's Internet web site. Allows a school to include custom indicators on the school's web page. Provides that the performance of a school's students on the statewide assessment program test and other criterion referenced benchmark assessments recommended by the department of education (department) and approved by the state board are the primary and majority means of assessing a school's improvement. (Current law provides that the performance of a school's students on the statewide assessment program test and other assessments recommended by the department and approved by the state board are the primary and majority means of assessing a school's improvement.) Provides that the state board may assign each domain, indicator, or measure used to assess school performance a separate and distinct category or designation. Provides that the state board shall assign to a school or school corporation (including adult high schools) a "null" or "no letter grade" for the 2020-2021 school year. Requires each governing body of a school corporation and the equivalent for each charter school to submit to the department a report that includes certain information regarding instruction during the 2020-2021 school year and the 2021-2022 school year. Requires the department to do the following: (1) Conduct, in collaboration with the state board, a learning loss study regarding students in kindergarten through grade 10. (2) Prepare a report regarding the 2020-2021 school year and a report regarding the 2021-2022 school year that includes the submitted information and the study by the department. (3) Not later than December 1, 2021, and not later than December 1, 2022, submit the applicable reports to the governor, state board, and legislative council. Urges the legislative council to assign to an appropriate study committee for the 2022 interim and the 2023 interim the task of studying the information in the reports. Amends requirements that a benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessment must meet for approval by the state board. Provides that before the state board may approve a benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessment, the assessment vendor must enter into a data share agreement with the department. Repeals provisions that: (1) provide consequences for failing schools; (2) provide consequences for failing charter schools or choice scholarship schools; and (3) authorize the establishment of turnaround academies.



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ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL No. 1514

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

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

SECTION 1. IC 20-24-2.2-2 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021]. Sec. 2. (a) The minimum standard for renewal and the standard to avoid closure imposed by authorizers on a charter school is a requirement that the charter school not remain in the lowest category or designation of school improvement, including any alternative accountability category or designation, in the third year after initial placement in the lowest category or designation established under IC 20-31-8-4.

(b) An authorizer of a charter school that does not meet the minimum standard for charter school renewal described in subsection (a) may petition the state board at any time to request permission to renew the charter school's charter notwithstanding the fact that the charter school does not meet the minimum standard. If timely notification is made, the state board shall hold a hearing under section 2.5 of this chapter to consider the authorizer's request at the state board's next regularly scheduled board meeting.

17 (c) In determining whether to grant a request under subsection (b),

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1	the state board shall consider the following:
2	(1) Enrollment of students with special challenges, such as drug
3	or alcohol addiction, prior withdrawal from school, prior
4	incarceration, or other special circumstances.
5	(2) High mobility of the student population resulting from the
6	specific purpose of the charter school.
7	(3) Annual improvement in the performance of students enrolled
8	in the charter school, as measured under IC 20-31-8, compared
9	with the performance of students enrolled in the charter school in
10	the immediately preceding school year.
11	SECTION 2. IC 20-24-2.2-2.5 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY
12	1, 2021]. Sec. 2.5. (a) If the state board grants a petition request under
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13	section 2 of this chapter, the state board shall:
14	(1) hold a hearing; and (2) implement and (1) or more of the following estions:
16	(2) implement one (1) or more of the following actions:
17	(A) Require the implementation of a charter school
	improvement plan.
18	(B) Order the reduction of any administrative fee collected
19	under IC 20-24-7-4 that is applicable to the charter school. The
20	reduction must become effective at the beginning of the month
21	following the month of the authorizer's hearing before the state
22	board.
23	(C) Prohibit or limit the enrollment of new students in the
24	charter school.
25	(D) Cancel the charter between the authorizer and organizer.
26	(E) Order the closure of the charter school at the end of the
27	current school year.
28	A charter school that is closed by the state board under this section may
29	not be granted a charter by any authorizer.
30	(b) In determining which action to implement under subsection
31	(a)(2), the state board shall consider the following:
32	(1) Enrollment of students with special challenges, such as drug
33	or alcohol addiction, prior withdrawal from school, prior
34	incarceration, or other special circumstances.
35	(2) High mobility of the student population resulting from the
36	specific purpose of the charter school.
37	(3) Annual improvement in the performance of students enrolled
38	in the charter school, as measured by IC 20-31-8-1, compared
39	with the performance of students enrolled in the charter school in
40	the immediately preceding school year.
41	SECTION 3. IC 20-24-2.2-4 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY
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or grants a new charter to a charter school that the state board has ordered closed under section 2.5 of this chapter, the authorizer's authority to authorize new charter schools may be suspended by the state board until such a time as the state board formally approves the authorizer to authorize new charter schools. A determination under this section to suspend an authorizer's authority to authorize new charter schools must identify the deficiencies that, if corrected, will result in the approval of the authorizer to authorize new charter schools.

9 SECTION 4. IC 20-24-2.2-6 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 10 1, 2021]. Sec. 6. (a) If deficiencies identified under section 4 of this 11 chapter are not corrected within two (2) years after the date the state 12 board suspends the authorizer's authority to authorize new charter 13 schools in a final order under section 4 of this chapter, the state board, 14 following an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members, may 15 revoke the authorizer's authority to function as an authorizer. The state 16 board shall take all necessary steps to decommission the authorizer, 17 including overseeing the orderly winding up of authorization activities 18 or responsibilities, and ensuring the transfer of any charter school 19 records or administrative fees due under IC 20-24-7-4 in the 20 authorizer's custody.

21 (b) Charter schools authorized by an authorizer that has been 22 decommissioned under subsection (a) must apply to be approved by 23 another authorizer within one hundred fifty (150) days after the date the 24 state board revokes the authorizer's authority to function as an 25 authorizer, regardless of whether the state board has begun the process 26 of winding up authorization activities of the authorizer. A charter 27 school that is not approved under this subsection must close at the end 28 of the charter school's current school year containing the date in which 29 the charter school's application under this subsection is disapproved. 30 A charter school that is closed by the state board under section 2.5 of 31 this chapter may not be approved by another authorizer under this 32 subsection. 33

SECTION 5. IC 20-24-4-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.211-2019, 34 SECTION 20, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021]: Sec. 1. (a) A charter must meet the following 35 36 requirements: 37

- (1) Be a written instrument.
- (2) Be executed by an authorizer and an organizer.

39 (3) Confer certain rights, franchises, privileges, and obligations 40 on a charter school.

- 41 (4) Confirm the status of a charter school as a public school.
- 42 (5) Subject to subdivisions subdivision (6)(E), and (17), be

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7	(A) A review by the authorizer of the charter school's
8	performance, including the progress of the charter school in
9 10	achieving the academic goals set forth in the charter, at least one (1) time in each five (5) year period while the charter is in
11	effect.
12	(B) Renewal, if the authorizer and the organizer agree to renew
13	the charter.
14	(C) The renewal application must include guidance from the
15	authorizer, and the guidance must include the performance
16 17	criteria that will guide the authorizer's renewal decisions.
17 18	(D) The renewal application process must, at a minimum, provide an opportunity for the charter school to:
19	(i) present additional evidence, beyond the data contained in
20	the performance report, supporting its case for charter
21	renewal;
22	(ii) describe improvements undertaken or planned for the
23	charter school; and
24	(iii) detail the charter school's plans for the next charter
25	term.
26	(E) Not later than the end of the calendar year in which the
27	charter school seeks renewal of a charter, the governing board
28	of a charter school seeking renewal shall submit a renewal
29	application to the charter authorizer under the renewal
30 31	application guidance issued by the authorizer. The authorizer
31	shall make a final ruling on the renewal application not later than April 1 after the filing of the renewal application. A
33	renewal granted under this clause is not subject to the three (3)
34	year minimum described in subdivision (5). The April 1
35	deadline does not apply to any review or appeal of a final
36	ruling. After the final ruling is issued, the charter school may
37	obtain further review by the authorizer of the authorizer's final
38	ruling in accordance with the terms of the charter school's
39	charter and the protocols of the authorizer.
40	(7) Specify the grounds for the authorizer to:
41	(A) revoke the charter before the end of the term for which the
42	charter is granted; or



1	(B) not renew a charter.
2	(8) Set forth the methods by which the charter school will be held
2 3	accountable for achieving the educational mission and goals of
4	the charter school, including the following:
5	(A) Evidence of improvement in:
6	(i) assessment measures, including the statewide assessment
7	program measures;
8	(ii) attendance rates;
9	(iii) graduation rates (if appropriate);
10	(iv) increased numbers of Indiana diplomas with a Core 40
11	designation and other college and career ready indicators
12	including advanced placement participation and passage,
13	dual credit participation and passage, and International
14	Baccalaureate participation and passage (if appropriate);
15	(v) increased numbers of Indiana diplomas with Core 40
16	with academic honors and technical honors designations (if
17	appropriate);
18	(vi) student academic growth;
19	(vii) financial performance and stability; and
20	(viii) governing board performance and stewardship,
21	including compliance with applicable laws, rules and
22	regulations, and charter terms.
23	(B) Evidence of progress toward reaching the educational
24	goals set by the organizer.
25	(9) Describe the method to be used to monitor the charter
26	school's:
27	(A) compliance with applicable law; and
28	(B) performance in meeting targeted educational performance.
29	(10) Specify that the authorizer and the organizer may amend the
30	charter during the term of the charter by mutual consent and
31	describe the process for amending the charter.
32	(11) Describe specific operating requirements, including all the
33	matters set forth in the application for the charter.
34	(12) Specify a date when the charter school will:
35	(A) begin school operations; and
36	(B) have students attending the charter school.
37	(13) Specify that records of a charter school relating to the
38	school's operation and charter are subject to inspection and
39	copying to the same extent that records of a public school are
40	subject to inspection and copying under IC 5-14-3.
41	(14) Specify that records provided by the charter school to the
42	department or authorizer that relate to compliance by the



1 2	organizer with the terms of the charter or applicable state or federal laws are subject to inspection and copying in accordance
3	with IC 5-14-3.
4	(15) Specify that the charter school is subject to the requirements
5	of IC 5-14-1.5.
6	(16) This subdivision applies to a charter established or renewed
7	for an adult high school after June 30, 2014. The charter must
8	require:
9	(A) that the school will offer flexible scheduling;
10	(B) that students will not complete the majority of instruction
11	of the school's curriculum online or through remote
12	instruction;
13	(C) that the school will offer dual credit or industry
14	certification course work that aligns with career pathways as
15	recommended by the Indiana career council established by
16	IC 22-4.5-9-3 (expired); and
17	(D) a plan:
18	(i) to support successful program completion and to assist
19	transition of graduates to the workforce or to a
20	postsecondary education upon receiving a diploma from the
21	adult high school; and
22	(ii) to review individual student accomplishments and
23	success after a student receives a diploma from the adult
24	high school.
25	(17) This subdivision applies to a charter between an authorizer
26	and an organizer of a charter school granted or renewed after June
27	30, 2019. The charter must require that:
28	(A) a charter school comply with actions implemented by the
29	state board under IC 20-24-2.2-2.5; and
30	(B) if the state board implements closure of the charter school
31	under IC 20-24-2.2-2.5, the charter is revoked at the time the
32	charter school closes.
33	(b) A charter school shall set annual performance targets in
34	conjunction with the charter school's authorizer. The annual
35	performance targets shall be designed to help each school meet
36 37	applicable federal, state, and authorizer expectations.
37 38	SECTION 6. IC 20-25-10-1, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005,
38 39	SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
39 40	JULY 1, 2021]: Sec. 1. (a) The board shall modify, develop, and implement a plan for the improvement of student achievement in the
40 41	implement a plan for the improvement of student achievement in the schools in the school city.
41	(b) A plan modified, developed, and implemented under this chapter
42	(0) A plan mourned, developed, and implemented under this chapter



1 must be consistent with this article and with IC 20-31-1, IC 20-31-2, 2 IC 20-31-5, IC 20-31-6, IC 20-31-7, IC 20-31-8, IC 20-31-9, and 3 IC 20-31-10. 4 SECTION 7. IC 20-25-10-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2006, 5 SECTION 323, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS 6 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021]: Sec. 3. The board shall: 7 (1) modify, develop, and publish the plan required under this 8 chapter; and 9 (2) implement the modified plan; 10 in compliance with the timelines of IC 20-31-1, IC 20-31-5, IC 20-31-6, IC 20-31-7, IC 20-31-8, IC 20-31-9, and IC 20-31-10. 11 12 SECTION 8. IC 20-25-10-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.233-2015, 13 SECTION 89, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE 14 JULY 1, 2021]: Sec. 5. (a) The board shall annually assess and evaluate 15 educational programs offered by the school city to determine: 16 (1) the relationship of the programs to improved student 17 achievement; and 18 (2) the educational value of the programs in relation to cost. 19 (b) The board may obtain information from: 20 (1) educators in the schools offering a program; 21 (2) students participating in a program; and 22 (3) the parents of students participating in a program; 23 in preparing an assessment and evaluation under this section. The 24 assessment must include the performance of the school's students in 25 achieving student performance improvement levels under IC 20-31-1, 26 IC 20-31-6, IC 20-31-7, IC 20-31-8, IC 20-31-9, IC 20-31-10, and 27 IC 20-25-11. 28 SECTION 9. IC 20-25-11-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.244-2017, 29 SECTION 38, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE 30 JULY 1, 2021]: Sec. 1. The board shall establish annual student 31 performance improvement levels for each school that are not less 32 rigorous than the student performance improvement levels under 33 IC 20-31-1, IC 20-31-6, IC 20-31-7, IC 20-31-8, IC 20-31-9, and 34 IC 20-31-10, including the following: 35 (1) For students: 36 (A) improvement in results on assessment tests and assessment 37 programs; 38 (B) improvement in attendance rates; and 39 (C) improvement in progress toward graduation. 40 (2) For teachers: 41 (A) improvement in student results on assessment tests and 42 assessment programs;



1	(B) improvement in the number and percentage of students
2	achieving:
3	(i) state achievement standards; and
4	(ii) if applicable, performance levels set by the board;
5	on assessment tests;
6	(C) improvement in student progress toward graduation;
7	(D) improvement in student attendance rates for the school
8	year;
9	(E) improvement in individual teacher attendance rates;
10	(F) improvement in:
11	(i) communication with parents; and
12	(ii) parental involvement in classroom and extracurricular
13	activities; and
14	(G) other objectives developed by the board.
15	(3) For the school and school administrators:
16	(A) improvement in student results on assessment tests, totaled
17	by class and grade;
18	(B) improvement in the number and percentage of students
19	achieving:
20	(i) state achievement standards; and
21	(ii) if applicable, performance levels set by the board;
22	on assessment tests, totaled by class and grade;
23	(C) improvement in:
24	(i) student graduation rates; and
25	(ii) progress toward graduation;
26	(D) improvement in student attendance rates;
27	(E) management of:
28	(i) education fund expenditures;
29	(ii) operations fund expenditures; and
30	(iii) total expenditures;
31	per student;
32	(F) improvement in teacher attendance rates; and
33	(G) other objectives developed by the board.
34	SECTION 10. IC 20-25-12-1, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005,
35	SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
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30 37	JULY 1, 2021]: Sec. 1. (a) IC 20-31-1, IC 20-31-2, IC 20-31-5, IC 20-31-6, IC 20-31-7, IC 20-31-8, IC 20-31-0, and IC 20-31-10 annly
	IC 20-31-6, IC 20-31-7, IC 20-31-8, IC 20-31-9, and IC 20-31-10 apply
38	to the school city. The composition of a local school improvement
39 40	committee is determined under IC 20-31-1, IC 20-31-2, IC 20-31-5,
40	IC 20-31-6, IC 20-31-7, IC 20-31-8, IC 20-31-9, and IC 20-31-10.
41	(b) The plan developed and implemented by the board under
42	IC 20-25-10 must contain general guidelines for decisions by the



1 educators in each school to improve student achievement in the school. 2 (c) The board's plan shall provide for the publication to other 3 schools in the school city and to the general community those: 4 (1) processes: 5 (2) innovations; and 6 (3) approaches; 7 that have led individual schools to significant improvement in student 8 achievement. 9 SECTION 11. IC 20-25-13-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2006, 10 SECTION 326, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021]: Sec. 7. IC 20-28-6-4 and IC 20-28-6-5 11 12 apply to certificated employees in the school city. A teacher's students' 13 performance improvement levels under the assessment tests and 14 programs of IC 20-31-1, IC 20-31-5, IC 20-31-6, IC 20-31-7, 15 IC 20-31-8, IC 20-31-9, and IC 20-31-10 may be used as a factor, but 16 not the only factor, to evaluate the performance of a teacher in the 17 school city. SECTION 12. IC 20-25-15-1, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, 18 19 SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE 20 JULY 1, 2021]: Sec. 1. In addition to the consequences of IC 20-31-9, 21 The board shall place a school in the school city in academic 22 receivership if the school fails for any two (2) consecutive school years 23 to meet student performance improvement levels. 24 SECTION 13. IC 20-25-15-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE 25 26 JULY 1, 2021]: Sec. 3. (a) If a school is placed in academic 27 receivership, the superintendent and the board must take action to raise 28 the school's level of performance. 29 (b) In addition to the consequences of IC 20-31-9, The actions that 30 the superintendent and the board may take to raise the performance of 31 a school in academic receivership include the following: 32 (1) Shifting resources of the school city to the school. 33 (2) Changing or removing: 34 (A) the school principal; 35 (B) teachers; 36 (C) administrators; or 37 (D) other staff. 38 (3) Establishing a new educational plan for the school. 39 (4) Requiring the superintendent or another school city appointee 40 to administer the school until the academic receivership status of 41 the school is removed. 42 (5) Contracting with a:



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1	(A) for-profit organization;
2	(B) nonprofit organization; or
3	(C) individual;
4	to manage the school.
5	(6) Closing the school.
6	(7) Any other management, personnel, or policy changes that the
7	superintendent and board expect in the following school year to:
8	(A) raise the performance of the school; and
9	(B) avoid continuing academic receivership status for the
10	school.
11	(c) If this chapter is inconsistent with any other law relating to:
12	(1) education;
13	(2) teachers; or
14	(3) common schools;
15	this chapter governs.
16	SECTION 14. IC 20-25.7-5-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.155-2020,
17	SECTION 6, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
18	JULY 1, 2021]: Sec. 5. (a) IC 20-24-5-5 (with the exception of $IC = 20.24, 5.5(2)$ because the sector of the sec
19 20	IC 20-24-5-5(f)) does not apply to a participating innovation network
20 21	charter school that enters into an agreement with the board to
$\frac{21}{22}$	reconstitute or establish an eligible school. (b) Except as provided in subsections (c) and (d), a participating
22	innovation network charter school must enroll any eligible student who
23	submits a timely application for enrollment.
25	(c) A participating innovation network charter school that
26	reconstitutes or establishes an eligible school may limit new
27	admissions to the participating innovation network charter school to:
28	(1) ensure that any student with legal settlement in the attendance
29	area, or in the school corporation if the school does not have a
30	defined attendance area, may attend the charter school;
31	(2) ensure that a student who attends the participating innovation
32	network charter school during a school year may continue to
33	attend the charter school in subsequent years;
34	(3) allow the siblings of a student alumnus or a current student
35	who attends the participating innovation network charter school
36	to attend the charter school;
37	(4) allow preschool students who attend a Level 3 or Level 4
38	Paths to QUALITY program preschool to attend kindergarten at
39	the participating innovation network charter school if the
40	participating innovation network charter school and the school
41	corporation or preschool provider have entered into an agreement
42	to share services or facilities;



1	(5) allow each student who qualifies for free or reduced price
2	lunch under the national school lunch program to receive
3	preference for admission to the participating innovation network
3 4 5	charter school if the preference is specifically provided for in the
	charter and is approved by the authorizer; and
6	(6) allow each student who attended a turnaround academy under
7	IC 20-31-9.5 or attends a school that is located in the same school
8	building as the participating innovation network charter school to
9	receive preference for admission to the participating innovation
10	network charter school if the preference is specifically provided
11	for in the participating innovation network charter school's charter
12	and is approved by the authorizer of the participating innovation
13	network charter school.
14	(d) A participating innovation network charter school with a
15	curriculum that includes study in a foreign country may deny admission
16	to a student if:
17	(1) the student:
18	(A) has completed fewer than twenty-two (22) academic
19	credits required for graduation; and
20	(B) will be in the grade 11 cohort during the school year in
21	which the student seeks to enroll in the participating
22	innovation network charter school; or
23	(2) the student has been suspended (as defined in IC 20-33-8-7)
24	or expelled (as defined in IC 20-33-8-3) during the twelve (12)
25	months immediately preceding the student's application for
26	enrollment for:
27	(A) ten (10) or more school days;
28	(B) a violation under IC 20-33-8-16;
29	(C) causing physical injury to a student, a school employee, or
30	a visitor to the school; or
31	(D) a violation of a school corporation's drug or alcohol rules.
32	For purposes of subdivision (2)(A), student discipline received under
33	IC 20-33-8-25(b)(7) for a violation described in subdivision (2)(B)
34	through (2)(D) must be included in the calculation of the number of
35	school days that a student has been suspended.
36	(e) A participating innovation network charter school may give
37	enrollment preferences to children of the participating innovation
38	network charter school's founders, governing board members, and
38 39	participating innovation network charter school employees, as long as
40	the enrollment preference under this subsection is not given to more
40 41	than ten percent (10%) of the participating innovation charter school's
42	total population and there is sufficient capacity for a program, class,
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1 grade level, or building to ensure that any student with legal settlement 2 in the attendance area may attend the school. 3 (f) This subsection applies to an existing charter school that enters 4 into an innovation network agreement with the board. During the 5 charter school's first year of operation as a participating innovation 6 network charter school, the charter school may limit admission to: 7 (1) those students who were enrolled in the charter school on the 8 date it entered into the innovation network agreement; and 9 (2) siblings of students described in subdivision (1). 10 (g) This subsection applies if the number of applications for a program, class, grade level, or building exceeds the capacity of the 11 12 program, class, grade level, or building. If a participating innovation 13 network charter school receives a greater number of applications than 14 there are spaces for students, each timely applicant must be given an 15 equal chance of admission. The participating innovation network charter school that is not in a county containing a consolidated city 16 17 must determine which of the applicants will be admitted to the 18 participating innovation network charter school or the program, class, 19 grade level, or building by random drawing in a public meeting with 20 each timely applicant limited to one (1) entry in the drawing. However, 21 the participating innovation network charter school located in a county 22 with a consolidated city shall determine which of the applicants will be 23 admitted to the participating innovation network charter school or the 24 program, class, grade level, or building by using a publicly verifiable 25 random selection process. SECTION 15. IC 20-26-5-40.6 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA 26 27 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS 28 [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 40.6. (a) This section does not 29 apply to a virtual charter school (as defined in IC 20-24-1-10). 30 (b) As used in this section, "virtual instruction" means 31 instruction that is provided in an interactive learning environment 32 created through technology in which the student is separated from 33 a teacher by time or space, or both. 34 (c) Not later than August 1, 2021, and not later than August 1, 35 2022, each governing body of a school corporation and the 36 equivalent for each charter school shall submit to the department 37 a report that includes the following information for each semester 38 of the immediately preceding school year:

(1) The following regarding virtual instruction:

40(A) Whether the school corporation or charter school41provided virtual instruction to students of the school42corporation or charter school.

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1	(B) If a school corporation or charter school provided
2	virtual instruction under clause (A), the following
3	information:
4	(i) The grade levels for which virtual instruction was
5	provided.
6	(ii) The total number and percentage of students who
7	received full-time virtual instruction and the number
8	and percentage of students who received hybrid
9	instruction in which instructional time included virtual
10	instruction part of the time and in person instruction
11	part of the time.
12	(iii) The numbers and percentages described in item (ii),
13	disaggregated by grade level.
14	(iv) The number of days that the school corporation or
15	charter school provided only full-time virtual instruction
16	to students, disaggregated by grade level.
17	(v) The number of days that the school corporation or
18	charter school provided only hybrid instruction to
19	students, disaggregated by grade level.
20	(vi) Whether virtual instruction was provided through
21	synchronous learning or asynchronous learning.
22	(vii) The status of student home Internet access.
23	(viii) Student access to electronic devices, including
24	device to student ratio.
25	(2) If a school corporation or charter school provided virtual
26	instruction as described in subdivision (1)(A), the following
27	information:
28	(A) The total amount by which the school corporation or
29	charter school reduced or increased expenditures in each
30	of the following categories as a result of providing virtual
31	instruction:
32	(i) Utilities.
33	(ii) Transportation.
34	(iii) Food service.
35	(iv) Salary and fringe benefits for personnel, including
36	hiring or dismissal of school employees.
37	(v) Termination of any contracts.
38	(vi) Technology support.
39	(vii) Curriculum and other instructional materials.
40	(viii) Professional development, training, and teacher
41	support.
42	(ix) Student support services.



 (B) The total amount by which the school corporation or charter school reduced or increased expenditures each semester. (3) Whether the governing body of the school corporation or the equivalent for a charter school elected to provide virtual instruction to students or was required by another state or local agency or entity to provide virtual instruction to students. (4) Any data requested by the department to conduct the learning loss study described in subsection (d). (5) Any other information required by the department. (d) Subject to subsection (f), the department shall, in collaboration with the state board, conduct a learning loss study regarding students in kindergarten through grade 10 for the 2020-2021 school year and the 2021-2022 school year. The study shall include the following: (1) Which specific domains have significant learning loss for students in kindergarten through grade 10. (2) What differences exist in: (A) domain performance; (B) domain growth; or (C) both domain performance and domain growth; for specific subgroups, including students with disabilities and English language learners. (3) What learning gaps are present in foundational skills, specifically literacy and numeracy for early grade levels. (4) What are the overall student learning loss or gaps in education caused by the coronavirus disease (COVID-19). (5) Any conclusions or recommendations to address student learning loss or gaps in education. (a) the information submitted to the department under subsection (d), including any conclusions and recommendations as described in subsection (d)(5). (1) Prepare a report regarding the study described in subsection (d), including any conclusions and recommendations as described in subsection (d)(5). (2) Not later than December 1, 2021, submit the report regarding the 2020-2021 school year and necommendations as described in subsection (d)	1	
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2	school year to the:
3	(A) governor;
4	(B) state board; and
5	(C) legislative council in an electronic format under
6	IC 5-14-6.
7	(f) The department:
8	(1) shall conduct research for the study described in
9	subsection (d) after a review of the research methodology by
10	the Indiana technical advisory committee;
11	(2) may include the use of summative and formative data sets
12	in conducting the study under subsection (d); and
13	(3) may use a third party vendor in conducting the study
14	under subsection (d).
15	(g) This section expires January 1, 2023.
16	SECTION 16. IC 20-31-1-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.92-2020,
17	SECTION 66, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
18	JULY 1, 2021]: Sec. 1. This article applies only to the following:
19	(1) Except as provided in IC 20-31-4.1-3, public schools.
20	(2) Except as provided in IC 20-31-7, and IC 20-31-9, state
21	accredited nonpublic schools.
22	SECTION 17. IC 20-31-2-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.223-2015,
23	SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
24	JULY 1, 2021]: Sec. 7. "Plan" refers to any of the following:
25	(1) A strategic and continuous school improvement and
26	achievement plan established under this article for a school or
27	school corporation.
28	(2) A plan to establish an innovation network school to improve
29	school performance under IC 20-25.7.
30	(3) A plan to establish a transformation zone under
31	IC 20-31-9.5-9.5.
32	(4) Any plan approved by the state board for the turnaround of a
33	school or school corporation.
34	SECTION 18. IC 20-31-2-9 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
35	2021]. Sec. 9. "Special management team" means an entity that is
36	assigned by the state board under IC 20-31-9-4(b)(1)(B) to manage a
37	turnaround academy in whole or in part.
38	SECTION 19. IC 20-31-2-9.5 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY
39	1, 2021]. Sec. 9.5. "Transformation zone" means a school corporation
40	that has submitted, through its governing body and to the state board,
41	a plan and has been approved to operate under such a plan under
42	IC 20-31-9.5-9.5.



 SECTION 20. IC 20-31-2-10 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021]. Sec. 10. "Turnaround academy" means a school that is subject to IC 20-31-9.5 and for the purpose of federal funding only, is considered a local educational agency. SECTION 21. IC 20-31-8-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.192-2018, SECTION 23, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021]: Sec. 1. (a) The performance of a school's students on the statewide assessment program test and other criterion referenced 	
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10 and approved by the state board are the primary and majority means of	
11 assessing a school's improvement. The state board may, and is	
12 encouraged to, incorporate social studies and science as indicators	
13 for assessing school improvement.	
14 (b) The department of education shall examine and make	
15 recommendations to the state board concerning:	
16 (1) performance indicators to be used as a secondary means of	
17 determining school progress;	
18 (2) expected progress levels, continuous improvement measures,	
19 distributional performance levels, and absolute performance	
20 levels for schools; and	
21 (3) an orderly transition from the performance based accreditation	
22 system to the assessment system set forth in this article.	
23 (c) The department of education shall consider methods of	
24 measuring improvement and progress used in other states in developing	
25 recommendations under this section.	
26 (d) The department of education may consider:	
27 (1) the likelihood that a student may fail a graduation exam	
28 (before July 1, 2022) or fail to meet a postsecondary readiness	
29 competency established by the state board under	
30 IC 20-32-4-1.5(c) and require a graduation waiver under	
31 IC 20-32-4-4, IC 20-32-4-4.1, or IC 20-32-4-5; and	
32 (2) remedial needs of students who are likely to require remedial	
33 work while the students attend a postsecondary educational	
34 institution or workforce training program;	
35 when making recommendations under this section.	
36 SECTION 22. IC 20-31-8-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.86-2018,	
37 SECTION 181, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS	
38 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021]: Sec. 3. (a) The state board shall establish	
39 a number of categories, using an "A" through "F" grading scale, to	
40 designate school performance. In addition, the state board may	
41 assign each domain, indicator, or measure used to assess school	
42 performance a separate and distinct category or designation.	



performance based on the individual student academic performance and growth to proficiency in each school.

(b) The state board, in consultation with the department, shall define
"low population schools" and shall determine the criteria for placing low population schools in categories established under subsection (a). In setting the definition and criteria for low population schools, the state board shall not penalize schools based on population. An eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) may not be penalized under IC 20-51-4-9 for the sole reason that the eligible school is considered a low population school under this subsection. The state board's definition and criteria may include the placement of a school that fits the state board's definition in a "null" or "no letter grade" category.

(c) In developing metrics for the categories established under
subsection (a), the state board, in consultation with the department, to
the extent not inconsistent with federal law, shall consider the severity
of tested students' disabilities when using statewide assessment scores
as a means of assessing school performance.

(d) In developing metrics for the categories established under
subsection (a), the state board shall consider the mobility of high
school students who are credit deficient and whether any high school
should be rewarded for enrolling credit deficient students or penalized
for transferring out credit deficient students.

23 SECTION 23. IC 20-31-8-5.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
24 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
25 [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5.5. (a) Not later than July 1,
26 2024, the state board shall do the following:
27 (1) Establish a compilation of longitudinal data indicating

(1) Establish a compilation of longitudinal data indicating school performance success in various selected and enumerated program areas.

(2) Present the data described in subdivision (1) for each school in a manner that:

(A) can be conveniently and easily accessed from a single web page on the state board's Internet web site; and(B) is commonly known as an Internet dashboard.

- (b) The dashboard must include the following:
- (1) Indicators of student performance in elementary school, including schools for grades 6 through 8, and high school.
- 38 (2) The school's graduation rate, as applicable.
- 39 (3) The percentage of high school graduates who earned
- 40 college credit before graduating, as applicable.
- 41 (4) The pass rate of the statewide assessment program tests
- 42 (as defined in IC 20-32-2-2.3), as applicable.

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4	(7) State, national, and international comparisons for the
5	indicators, if applicable.
6	(c) The dashboard may include any other data indicating school
7	performance success that the state board determines is relevant.
8	(d) Each school shall post on a web page maintained on the
9	school's Internet web site the exact same data and in a similar
10	format as the data presented for the school on the state board's
11	Internet web site. However, the school may include custom
12	indicators on the web page described in this subsection.
13	SECTION 24. IC 20-31-9 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
14	2021]. (Consequences).
15	SECTION 25. IC 20-31-9.5-0.5 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY
16	1, 2021]. Sec. 0.5. (a) The state board must approve any contracts
17	necessary to implement IC 20-31-9 and this chapter.
18	(b) The state board may direct the department to assist the state
19	board with the state board's duties under IC 20-31-9 and this chapter,
20	including, but not limited to:
21	(1) providing data to the state board that the state board
22	determines is necessary to execute such duties; and
23	(2) entering into contracts as determined by the state board.
24	SECTION 26. IC 20-31-9.5-1 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY
25	1, 2021]. Sec. 1. (a) None of the following may be considered a school
26	employer under IC 20-29-2-15 with respect to a turnaround academy:
27	(1) The state.
28	(2) The state board.
29	(3) A special management team assigned by the state board under
30	IC 20-31-9-4.
31	(b) A special management team assigned under IC 20-31-9-4 shall
32	make all personnel decisions in the school. In operating a school as a
33	turnaround academy under this chapter, a special management team is
34	not bound by a contract entered into under IC 20-29.
35	SECTION 27. IC 20-31-9.5-2 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY
36	1, 2021]. Sec. 2. (a) If the state board assigns a special management
37	team under IC 20-31-9-4 to operate a school as a turnaround academy,
38	for as long as the special management team operates the turnaround
39 40	academy the following requirements apply:
40	(1) The special management team has the right to use any school building and all facilities and property otherwise part of the
41	building and all facilities and property otherwise part of the
42	school and recognized as part of the facilities or assets of the



1 school before its placement as a turnaround academy, including 2 the building's contents, equipment, and supplies, and is entitled 3 access to such additional facilities as were typically available to 4 the school and its students, faculty, and staff before its placement 5 as a turnaround academy. The special management team shall 6 maintain and repair the buildings and grounds in a manner that is 7 at least consistent with the maintenance and repair of the other 8 buildings and grounds within the school corporation. The special 9 management team shall maintain the building's contents and 10 equipment in a reasonable manner. 11 (2) The special management team shall receive, control, and 12 expend a pro rata share of the property tax revenue distributed to 13 the school corporation under IC 6-1.1-27-1. The amount of 14 property tax revenue shall be calculated by the department of 15 local government finance on the basis of student enrollment for 16 students attending that school who have legal settlement in the 17 taxing unit other than the amount obligated to pay for existing 18 debt service. The school corporation shall remit this amount to the 19 special management team at a frequency determined by the state 20board in consultation with the department and the school 21 corporation. This subsection does not apply if the school 22 corporation provides services and funding to the special 23 management team pursuant to an operations, maintenance, and 24 repair agreement entered into before July 1, 2015. 25 (3) The special management team shall either: 26 (A) provide transportation for students attending the 27 turnaround academy; or 28 (B) contract with the school corporation to provide 29 transportation for students attending the turnaround academy. 30 Transportation must be provided at the same level of service the 31 school corporation provided before the school became a 32 turnaround academy. 33 (b) The school corporation: 34 (1) may not take action adverse to the special management team's 35 operation of the school, including, but not limited to, taking action 36 to dispose of or cloud the title of the real property on which the 37 school is located or removing or disposing of personal property 38 located in or assigned to the school; and 39 (2) shall, not later than forty-five (45) days after the state board 40executes a contract with a special management team under section 41 7 of this chapter, provide to the special management team all

42 student records and other data in a manner consistent with the



1 federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (20 U.S.C. 2 1232g and 34 CFR Part 99) for the students who attended the 3 school immediately before the school qualified for intervention 4 under IC 20-31-9. 5 (c) If the special management team contracts with a school 6 corporation for goods or services, the school corporation may not 7 charge the special management team more for the goods or services 8 than the school corporation pays for the goods or services. 9 (d) If the state board determines that the school corporation has not 10 complied with any provision of subsection (b) or (c), the state board 11 may order the department: 12 (1) to withhold from the school corporation additional state funds 13 otherwise to be distributed to the school corporation; and 14 (2) to distribute those funds to the special management team; 15 in order to permit the special management team to operate the school 16 notwithstanding the school corporation's noncompliance with 17 subsection (b) or (c). 18 (e) The special management team and the school corporation's board 19 shall hold a joint public meeting at least two (2) times each year to 20discuss issues and progress concerning the turnaround academy. 21 SECTION 28. IC 20-31-9.5-3 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 22 1, 2021]. Sec. 3. (a) Turnaround academies are eligible to receive 23 building and technology loans administered by the state board from the 24 common school fund. 25 (b) A student who attends a turnaround academy or another school 26 subject to intervention under this chapter remains, under IC 20-43-4-1, 27 an eligible pupil of the school corporation where the student has legal 28 settlement. 29 (c) The state board, based upon recommendations received from the 30 department, shall determine the amounts of state tuition support and 31 federal funds that are necessary to fund options for improvement 32 implemented by the state board under this chapter with respect to each 33 turnaround academy. 34 (d) The department shall do the following: (1) Present recommendations for state tuition support and federal 35 36 funding amounts to the state board before the start of each fiscal 37 year for each year during the intervention at a schedule 38 determined by the state board. 39 (2) Withhold from state tuition support and federal funds 40otherwise to be distributed to the school corporation of the school 41 operated as a turnaround academy under this chapter the amount 42 determined under subsection (c) for the affected students. The



1	amount withheld under this subdivision may not exceed the total
2	per pupil funding for the affected students.
3	(3) Enter into any contracts necessary to implement the options
4	for improvement implemented for the school by the state board,
5	including contracts with a special management team assigned
6	under IC 20-31-9-4 to operate the school as a turnaround
7	academy. All contracts are subject to approval by the state board
8	before execution. All contracts must be submitted to the state
9	board for the state board's approval at least sixty (60) days prior
10	to execution.
11	(4) Make payments under the contracts entered into under
12	subdivision (3) with funds withheld from the school corporation
13	under subdivision (2).
14	SECTION 29. IC 20-31-9.5-4 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY
15	1, 2021]. Sec. 4. Any student who lives in the attendance area served
16	by a school that is operated as a turnaround academy under this chapter
17	may attend the turnaround academy. The turnaround academy may not
18	refuse enrollment to a student who lives in the attendance area.
19	SECTION 30. IC 20-31-9.5-7 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY
20	1, 2021]. Sec. 7. (a) If the state board assigns a special management
21	team, the department shall enter into a contract with a special
22	management team. The terms of the contract must specify the
23	following:
24	(1) A requirement that the special management team and the
25	governing body conduct a public meeting two (2) times each year
26	to provide a report concerning:
27	(A) student achievement of affected students; and
28	(B) the condition of the school property and to address issues
29	related to the school property.
30	(2) The amount of local, state, and federal funding, including
31	tuition support, to be distributed to the school.
32	(3) A requirement that the student instruction must be provided
33	by teachers licensed under IC 20-28-5.
34	(4) The performance goals and accountability metrics agreed
35	upon for the school.
36	(5) Grounds for termination of the contract, including the right of
37	termination if the special management team fails to do any of the
38	following:
39	(A) Comply with the conditions or procedures established in
40	the contract.
41	(B) Meet the state's financial management and government
42	accounting requirements.



1 (C) Comply with applicable laws. 2 (D) Meet the performance goals and accountability metrics 3 agreed upon under subdivision (4). 4 (b) The special management team shall have full autonomy to 5 operate the school as provided in the contract described in subsection 6 (a). 7 (c) The term of the contract may not exceed five (5) years. The 8 contract may be extended after the initial term at the direction of the 9 state board. 10 (d) Individuals employed by the special management team are entitled to participate in: 11 12 (1) the state teachers' retirement fund created by IC 5-10.4; 13 (2) the public employees' retirement fund created by IC 5-10.3; or 14 (3) another employee pension or retirement fund. 15 SECTION 31. IC 20-31-9.5-9.5, AS ADDED BY P.L.223-2015, 16 SECTION 14, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE 17 JULY 1, 2021]: Sec. 9.5. (a) The governing body of a school that has 18 been placed in the lowest two (2) categories or designations may 19 submit a plan to the state board to create a transformation zone within 20 the school corporation. A plan may be developed with the assistance of 21 the department. After June 30, 2021, the state board may not use the 22 establishment of a transformation zone under this section as an 23 intervention in a particular school corporation to improve school 24 performance. 25 (b) The state board shall grant the designation as a transformation zone unless the state board concludes that the submitted plan does not 26 27 substantially meet the criteria set forth in this section. All plans must 28 be submitted to the state board not later than April 15, 2016, or April 29 15 each year thereafter. All plans must be approved or denied by the 30 state board not later than July 1 of the first year of implementation. 31 (c) Each plan must include the following information: 32 (1) An organizational chart that demonstrates that the leader of 33 the transformation zone reports directly to the school corporation's 34 superintendent. 35 (2) A description of the innovations the school corporation will implement, which may include: 36 37 (A) innovations in school staffing; 38 (B) curriculum and nonmandated assessments; 39 (C) class scheduling; 40 (D) the length of the school day or year; 41 (E) the use of financial and other resources; 42 (F) teacher recruitment, employment, and compensation; and



1 (G) other innovations.

2 (3) The objective annual student performance and growth or
3 improvement performance gains that the school corporation
4 expects to achieve over the next five (5) years.

5 (4) A budget demonstrating financial sustainability of the 6 transformation zone. without the use of special turnaround 7 funding at the end of the fifth year of operation, with lower 8 amounts of special turnaround funding in the fourth and fifth 9 years.

10 (5) A description of any regulatory or district policy requirements,
11 subject to the the state board's approval, that would need to be
12 waived for the school corporation to implement the
13 transformation zone.

14 (d) Subject to subsection (e), a school within the transformation 15 zone that is not operated by a special management team is not subject 16 to IC 20-29 unless the school corporation voluntarily recognizes an 17 exclusive representative under IC 20-29-5-2. If the school corporation 18 voluntarily recognizes an exclusive representative under IC 20-29-5-2, 19 the school corporation may authorize a school within the 20 transformation zone to opt out of bargaining allowable subjects or 21 discussing discussion items by specifying the excluded items on the 22 notice required under IC 20-29-5-2(b). Such notice must be provided 23 to the education employment relations board at the time of the notice's 24 posting.

(e) Subsection (d) applies only to a school that has been designated as a transformation zone following the third consecutive year in the lowest performance category or designation.

(f) All plans approved under this chapter shall be sent by the state
board to the education employment relations board not later than
fifteen (15) days after the plan's approval.

SECTION 32. IC 20-31-9.5-11 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021]. See. 11. (a) At the time of the initial intervention or at any point during the intervention, the state board may approve a written request from a special management team to:

(1) expand the grades offered at the school occupied by the special management team; and

(2) operate a charter school managed by the special management team within the same facility;

39 if the state board determines that academic outcomes or financial
 40 sustainability of the turnaround academy will improve through
 41 implementing the request.

(b) A written request under subsection (a) must include all of the



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1 following: 2 (1) An analysis of any building modifications that would be 3 necessary to serve various ages of students and corporation 4 approval of the modifications. 5 (2) Plans for ensuring safety of younger aged students when the 6 younger students are in shared space with older students. 7 (3) Specific year by year academic goals for the original affected 8 students and the additional grade levels of students, disaggregated 9 by grade. 10 (c) The state board shall hold a public hearing, located in the facility 11 proposed to be used, before approval of any request made under this 12 section. SECTION 33. IC 20-32-5.1-17, AS AMENDED BY P.L.155-2020, 13 14 SECTION 16, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE 15 UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 17. (a) The state board shall approve two (2) 16 or more benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessments to 17 identify students that require remediation and provide individualized 18 instruction in which a school corporation, charter school, state 19 accredited nonpublic school, or eligible school (as defined in 20 IC 20-51-1-4.7) may receive a grant under subsection (c). (g). 21 (b) For a benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessment 22 described in subsection (a) that is administered to students in 23 kindergarten through grade 2, the assessment must meet one (1) or 24 more of the following: 25 (1) The assessment shows alignment, verified by a third party, to Indiana's academic standards. 26 27 (2) The assessment is a universal screener focusing on literacy 28 that: 29 (A) meets the screening requirements listed in 30 IC 20-35.5-2-2; 31 (B) shows alignment, verified by a third party, to Indiana's academic standards for English/language arts domains, 32 33 specifically: 34 (i) reading foundations; 35 (ii) reading vocabulary; 36 (iii) reading nonfiction; and 37 (iv) reading literature; and 38 (C) received a convincing or partially convincing rating for 39 accuracy, reliability, and validity by the National Center 40 on Intensive Intervention. 41 (3) The assessment focuses on numeracy and shows alignment, 42 verified by a third party, to Indiana's academic standards for

1 mathematical domains, specifically: 2 (A) number sense; 3 (B) computation and algebraic thinking; and 4 (C) measurement. 5 (c) For a benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessment 6 described in subsection (a) that is administered to students in 7 grades 3 through 7, the benchmark, formative, interim, or similar 8 assessments assessment must show alignment, verified by a third 9 party, to Indiana's academic standards. 10 (d) For a benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessment 11 described in subsection (a) that is administered to students in 12 grades 8 through 10, the assessment must show alignment, verified 13 by a third party, to: 14 (1) Indiana's academic standards; or 15 (2) the nationally recognized college entrance exam required 16 to be administered under section 7 of this chapter. 17 (e) The majority of the benchmark, formative, interim, or similar 18 assessment reporting must indicate the degree to which students are on 19 track for grade level proficiency and college and career readiness. 20 Approved assessments must also provide predictive study results for 21 student performance on the statewide assessment under section 7 of 22 this chapter, not later than two (2) years after the summative 23 assessment has been first administered. 24 (b) (f) A school corporation, charter school, state accredited 25 nonpublic school, or eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) may 26 elect to administer a benchmark, formative, interim, or similar 27 assessment described in subsection (a). If a school corporation, charter 28 school, state accredited nonpublic school, or eligible school (as defined 29 in IC 20-51-1-4.7) administers an assessment described in subsection 30 (a), the school corporation, charter school, state accredited nonpublic 31 school, or eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) may prescribe 32 the time and the manner in which the assessment is administered. 33 (c) (g) If a school corporation, charter school, state accredited 34 nonpublic school, or eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) 35 elects to administer a benchmark, formative, interim, or similar 36 assessment described in subsection (a), the school corporation, charter 37 school, state accredited nonpublic school, or eligible school (as defined 38 in IC 20-51-1-4.7) is entitled to receive a grant or reimbursement from 39 the department in an amount not to exceed the cost of the assessment. 40 The department shall provide grants and reimbursements to a school 41 corporation, charter school, state accredited nonpublic school, or 42 eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) under this section from



1 money appropriated to the department for the purpose of carrying out 2 this section. 3 (d) (h) The state board and the department may not contract with, 4 approve, or endorse the use of a single vendor to provide benchmark, 5 formative, interim, or similar assessments for any grade level or levels 6 of kindergarten through grade 7. 7 (i) Before the state board may approve a benchmark, formative, 8 interim, or similar assessment described in subsection (a), the 9 assessment vendor must enter into a data share agreement with the 10 department in the manner prescribed by the department. 11 SECTION 34. IC 20-51-4-9 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 12 2021]. Sec. 9. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), the department shall enforce the following consequences for an eligible school that is 13 14 nonpublic: 15 (1) If the school is placed in either of the lowest two (2) categories or designations under IC 20-31-8-3 for two (2) 16 17 consecutive years, the department shall suspend choice scholarship payments for one (1) year for new students who 18 19 would otherwise use a choice scholarship to attend the school. 20 (2) If the school is placed in either of the lowest two (2) 21 categories or designations under IC 20-31-8-3 for three (3) 22 consecutive years, the department shall suspend choice 23 scholarship payments for new students who would otherwise use 24 a choice scholarship to attend the school until the school is placed 25 in the middle category or higher category or designation, for two 26 (2) consecutive years. 27 (3) If the school is placed in the lowest category or designation 28 under IC 20-31-8-3 for three (3) consecutive years, the 29 department shall suspend choice scholarship payments for new 30 students who would otherwise use a choice scholarship to attend 31 the school until the school is placed in the middle category or 32 higher eategory or designation, for three (3) consecutive years. 33 (4) Students who: 34 (A) are currently enrolled at a school described in subdivision 35 (1), (2), or (3); and 36 (B) qualify for a choice scholarship for the upcoming school 37 vear: 38 may continue to receive a choice scholarship at the school. (b) An eligible school may submit a request to the state board to 39 40 waive or delay consequences imposed under subsection (a) for a particular school year. The state board may grant a request to an 41

42 eligible school that requests a waiver or delay under this subsection if



the eligible school demonstrates that a majority of students in the eligible school demonstrated academic improvement during the preceding school year. A waiver or delay granted to an eligible school under this subsection is for one (1) school year only. An eligible school must make an additional request under this subsection to the state board to receive further delay or waiver of consequences imposed under subsection (a).

(c) This section may not be construed to prevent a student enrolled in a school subject to this section from applying for a choice scholarship in the future at another eligible school.

SECTION 35. P.L.2-2020, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ 11 AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020 (RETROACTIVE)]: 12 13 SECTION 1. (a) The definitions in IC 20 apply throughout this 14 SECTION.

15 (b) Notwithstanding IC 20-31-8 and 511 IAC 6.2-10, a school's or 16 school corporation's category or designation of school or school 17 corporation performance assigned by the state board under 18 IC 20-31-8-4 for the 2018-2019 school year shall be calculated in the 19 manner provided in 511 IAC 6.2-10, with the exception that a school's 20 or school corporation's category or designation of school or school 21 corporation performance for the 2018-2019 school year may not be 22 lower than the school's or school corporation's category or designation 23 of school or school corporation performance for the 2017-2018 school 24 year.

25 (c) Notwithstanding IC 20-31-8 and 511 IAC 6.2-10, a school's or 26 school corporation's category or designation of school or school 27 corporation performance assigned by the state board under 28 IC 20-31-8-4 for the 2019-2020 school year shall be calculated in the 29 manner provided in 511 IAC 6.2-10, with the exception that a school's 30 or school corporation's category or designation of school or school 31 corporation performance for the 2019-2020 school year is the higher of 32 a school's or school corporation's category or designation of school or 33 school corporation performance: 34

(1) determined under subsection (b); or

(2) for the 2019-2020 school year as determined under IC 20-31-8.

(d) Notwithstanding IC 20-31-8 and 511 IAC 6.2-10, the state board shall assign to a school or school corporation a "null" or "no letter grade" for the 2020-2021 school year. However, the most recent results of the school's ILEARN assessment must be included on the school's Internet web site.

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board shall assign an adult high school a "null" or "no letter grade" category for the 2020-2021 school year.

(d) (f) Notwithstanding IC 20-31-9, and except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a school's category or designation of school performance assigned by the state board under subsection (b) or (c) may not be used in the determination of consequences under IC 20-31-9. The school's category or designation of school performance for the 2020-2021 school year shall be considered the category or designation for the school year immediately following the 2017-2018 school year for purposes of applying consequences under IC 20-31-9 for a school that has been placed in the lowest category or designation of school performance under subsections (b) and (c). However, a school may petition the state board, and the state board shall grant the school's petition to use the grade assigned to the school under subsection (b) or (c) for purposes of applying IC 20-31-9.

(e) (g) Notwithstanding IC 20-51-4-9, and except as otherwise 16 provided in this subsection, an eligible school's (as defined in 17 18 IC 20-51-1-4.7) category or designation of school performance under 19 subsection (b) or (c) may not be used in the determination of 20 consequences under IC 20-51-4-9 if the eligible school is placed in 21 either of the two (2) lowest categories or designations of school 22 performance under subsection (b) or (c). The eligible school's category 23 or designation of school performance for the 2020-2021 school year 24 shall be considered the category or designation for the school year 25 immediately following the 2017-2018 school year for purposes of 26 applying consequences under IC 20-51-4-9 for an eligible school that 27 has been placed in the two (2) lowest categories or designations of 28 school performance under subsections (b) and (c). However, an eligible 29 school may petition the state board, and the state board shall grant the 30 eligible school's petition to use the eligible school's category or 31 designation of school performance assigned under subsection (b) or (c) 32 for purposes of applying IC 20-51-4-9.

(f) (h) Notwithstanding IC 20-24-2.2-2, a charter school's category or designation of school performance for the 2020-2021 school year shall be considered the category or designation for the school year immediately following the 2017-2018 school year for purposes of applying IC 20-24-2.2-2(a) for a charter school that has been placed in the lowest category or designation of school performance under subsection (b) or (c). However, a charter school may petition the state board, and the state board shall grant the charter school's petition to use the charter school's category or designation of school performance



1	assigned under subsection (b) or (c) for purposes of applying IC 20-24-2.2-2(a).
2	(g) (i) This SECTION expires January 1, 2023. 2024.
3	SECTION 36. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The definitions
4	used in IC 20 apply throughout this SECTION.
5	(b) Subject to subsection (c), consequences to which a school is
6	subject on June 30, 2021, under IC 20-31-9, before its repeal by this
7	act on July 1, 2021, are null and void after June 30, 2021.
8	(c) A school subject to consequences under IC 20-31-9, before its
9	repeal by this act on July 1, 2021, may petition the state board, in
10	a manner prescribed by the state board, to continue assistance
11	required or authorized by the state board under IC 20-31-9, before
12	its repeal by this act, as if IC 20-31-9 were not repealed by this act.
13	(d) This SECTION expires July 1, 2026.
14	SECTION 37. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The legislative
15	council is urged to assign to an appropriate study committee for
16	the 2022 interim and the 2023 interim the task of studying the
17	information in the reports submitted by the department of
18	education under IC 20-26-5-40.6(e), as added by this act.
19	(b) This SECTION expires January 1, 2023.
20	SECTION 38. An emergency is declared for this act.



COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Education, to which was referred House Bill 1514, 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:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

(SEE TEXT OF BILL)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1514 as introduced.)

BEHNING

Committee Vote: yeas 12, nays 0.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Education and Career Development, to which was referred House Bill No. 1514, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 1, between the enacting clause and line 1, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 1. IC 20-19-9-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.211-2019, SECTION 18, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The state board may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to establish requirements regarding virtual education programs, including the following:

(1) Minimum requirements for the mandatory annual onboarding process and orientation required under section 3 of this chapter.

(2) Requirements relating to tracking and monitoring student participation and attendance.

(3) Ongoing student engagement and counseling policy requirements.

(4) Employee policy requirements, including professional development requirements.

(b) The state board may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to establish requirements that a vendor described in section 7(a) of this chapter



must meet to receive approval by the department under section 7 of this chapter.

SECTION 2. IC 20-19-9-7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. (a) A school corporation may not enter into or renew a contract with an outside vendor to operate or manage a dedicated virtual education school of the school corporation unless the vendor is approved by the department.

(b) The department may approve a vendor described in subsection (a) if the vendor applies for approval on a form and in a manner established by the department.".

Page 12, between lines 25 and 26, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 17. IC 20-26-5-40.6 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 40.6. (a) This section does not apply to a virtual charter school (as defined in IC 20-24-1-10).

(b) As used in this section, "virtual instruction" means instruction that is provided in an interactive learning environment created through technology in which the student is separated from a teacher by time or space, or both.

(c) Not later than August 1, 2021, and not later than August 1, 2022, each governing body of a school corporation and the equivalent for each charter school shall submit to the department a report that includes the following information for each semester of the immediately preceding school year:

(1) The following regarding virtual instruction:

(A) Whether the school corporation or charter school provided virtual instruction to students of the school corporation or charter school.

(B) If a school corporation or charter school provided virtual instruction under clause (A), the following information:

(i) The grade levels for which virtual instruction was provided.

(ii) The total number and percentage of students who received full-time virtual instruction and the number and percentage of students who received hybrid instruction in which instructional time included virtual instruction part of the time and in person instruction part of the time.

(iii) The numbers and percentages described in item (ii), disaggregated by grade level.



(iv) The number of days that the school corporation or charter school provided only full-time virtual instruction to students, disaggregated by grade level.

(v) The number of days that the school corporation or charter school provided only hybrid instruction to students, disaggregated by grade level.

(vi) Whether virtual instruction was provided through synchronous learning or asynchronous learning.

(vii) The status of student home Internet access.

(viii) Student access to electronic devices, including device to student ratio.

(2) If a school corporation or charter school provided virtual instruction as described in subdivision (1)(A), the following information:

(A) The total amount by which the school corporation or charter school reduced or increased expenditures in each of the following categories as a result of providing virtual instruction:

(i) Utilities.

(ii) Transportation.

(iii) Food service.

(iv) Salary and fringe benefits for personnel, including hiring or dismissal of school employees.

(v) Termination of any contracts.

(vi) Technology support.

(vii) Curriculum and other instructional materials.

(viii) Professional development, training, and teacher support.

(ix) Student support services.

(B) The total amount by which the school corporation or charter school reduced or increased expenditures each semester.

(3) Whether the governing body of the school corporation or the equivalent for a charter school elected to provide virtual instruction to students or was required by another state or local agency or entity to provide virtual instruction to students.

(4) Any data requested by the department to conduct the learning loss study described in subsection (d).

(5) Any other information required by the department.

(d) Subject to subsection (f), the department shall, in collaboration with the state board, conduct a learning loss study



regarding students in kindergarten through grade 10 for the 2020-2021 school year and the 2021-2022 school year. The study shall include the following:

(1) Which specific domains have significant learning loss for students in kindergarten through grade 10.

(2) What differences exist in:

(A) domain performance;

(B) domain growth; or

(C) both domain performance and domain growth;

for specific subgroups, including students with disabilities and English language learners.

(3) What learning gaps are present in foundational skills, specifically literacy and numeracy for early grade levels.

(4) What are the overall student learning loss or gaps in education in Indiana due to the disruption in student education caused by the coronavirus disease (COVID-19).

(5) Any conclusions or recommendations to address student learning loss or gaps in education, including recommendations regarding remediation.

(e) The department shall do the following:

(1) Prepare a report regarding the 2020-2021 school year and

a report regarding the 2021-2022 school year that includes: (A) the information submitted to the department under

subsection (c); and

(B) information regarding the study described in subsection (d), including any conclusions and recommendations as described in subsection (d)(5).

(2) Not later than December 1, 2021, submit the report regarding the 2020-2021 school year and not later than December 1, 2022, submit the report regarding the 2021-2022 school year to the:

(A) governor;

(B) state board; and

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

(f) The department:

(1) shall conduct research for the study described in subsection (d) after a review of the research methodology by the Indiana technical advisory committee;

(2) may include the use of summative and formative data sets in conducting the study under subsection (d); and



(3) may use a third party vendor in conducting the study under subsection (d).

(g) This section expires January 1, 2023.".

Page 14, delete lines 33 through 42, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 25. IC 20-31-8-5.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5.5. (a) Not later than July 1, 2024, the state board shall do the following:

(1) Establish a compilation of longitudinal data indicating school performance success in various selected and enumerated program areas.

(2) Present the data described in subdivision (1) for each school in a manner that:

(A) can be conveniently and easily accessed from a single web page on the state board's Internet web site; and

(B) is commonly known as an Internet dashboard.

(b) The dashboard must include the following:

(1) Indicators of student performance in elementary school, including schools for grades 6 through 8, and high school.

(2) The school's graduation rate, as applicable.

(3) The percentage of high school graduates who earned college credit before graduating, as applicable.

(4) The pass rate of the statewide assessment program tests (as defined in IC 20-32-2-2.3), as applicable.

(5) The growth data of the statewide assessment program tests (as defined in IC 20-32-2-2.3), as applicable.

(6) The attendance rate.

(7) State, national, and international comparisons for the indicators, if applicable.

(c) The dashboard may include any other data indicating school performance success that the state board determines is relevant.

(d) Each school shall post on a web page maintained on the school's Internet web site the exact same data and in a similar format as the data presented for the school on the state board's Internet web site. However, the school may include custom indicators on the web page described in this subsection.".

Page 15, delete lines 1 through 3.

Page 21, between lines 3 and 4, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 35. IC 20-32-5.1-17, AS AMENDED BY P.L.155-2020, SECTION 16, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 17. (a) The state board shall approve two (2)



or more benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessments to identify students that require remediation and provide individualized instruction in which a school corporation, charter school, state accredited nonpublic school, or eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) may receive a grant under subsection (c). (g).

(b) For a benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessment described in subsection (a) that is administered to students in kindergarten through grade 2, the assessment must meet one (1) or more of the following:

(1) The assessment shows alignment, verified by a third party, to Indiana's academic standards.

(2) The assessment is a universal screener focusing on literacy that:

(A) meets the screening requirements listed in IC 20-35.5-2-2;

(B) shows alignment, verified by a third party, to Indiana's academic standards for English/language arts domains, specifically:

(i) reading foundations;

(ii) reading vocabulary;

(iii) reading nonfiction; and

(iv) reading literature; and

(C) received a convincing or partially convincing rating for accuracy, reliability, and validity by the National Center on Intensive Intervention.

(3) The assessment focuses on numeracy and shows alignment, verified by a third party, to Indiana's academic standards for mathematical domains, specifically:

(A) number sense;

(B) computation and algebraic thinking; and

(C) measurement.

(c) For a benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessment described in subsection (a) that is administered to students in grades 3 through 7, the benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessments assessment must show alignment, verified by a third party, to Indiana's academic standards.

(d) For a benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessment described in subsection (a) that is administered to students in grades 8 through 10, the assessment must show alignment, verified by a third party, to:

(1) Indiana's academic standards; or

(2) the nationally recognized college entrance exam required to be administered under section 7 of this chapter.

(e) The majority of the **benchmark**, **formative**, **interim**, **or similar** assessment reporting must indicate the degree to which students are on track for grade level proficiency and college and career readiness. Approved assessments must also provide predictive study results for student performance on the statewide assessment under section 7 of this chapter, not later than two (2) years after the summative assessment has been first administered.

(b) (f) A school corporation, charter school, state accredited nonpublic school, or eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) may elect to administer a benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessment described in subsection (a). If a school corporation, charter school, state accredited nonpublic school, or eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) administers an assessment described in subsection (a), the school corporation, charter school, state accredited nonpublic school, state accredited nonpublic school, state accredited nonpublic school, or eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) may prescribe the time and the manner in which the assessment is administered.

(c) (g) If a school corporation, charter school, state accredited nonpublic school, or eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) elects to administer a benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessment described in subsection (a), the school corporation, charter school, state accredited nonpublic school, or eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) is entitled to receive a grant or reimbursement from the department in an amount not to exceed the cost of the assessment. The department shall provide grants and reimbursements to a school corporation, charter school, state accredited nonpublic school, or eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) under this section from money appropriated to the department for the purpose of carrying out this section.

(d) (h) The state board and the department may not contract with, approve, or endorse the use of a single vendor to provide benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessments for any grade level or levels of kindergarten through grade 7.

(i) Before the state board may approve a benchmark, formative, interim, or similar assessment described in subsection (a), the assessment vendor must enter into a data share agreement with the department in the manner prescribed by the department.".

Page 24, line 5, after "were" insert "not".

Page 24, between lines 6 and 7, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 39. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The legislative council is urged to assign to an appropriate study



committee for the 2022 interim and the 2023 interim the task of studying the information in the reports submitted by the department of education under IC 20-26-5-40.6(e), as added by this act.

(b) This SECTION expires January 1, 2023.".

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1514 as printed February 4, 2021.)

RAATZ, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 13, Nays 0.

SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Engrossed House Bill 1514 be amended to read as follows:

Page 1, delete lines 1 through 17. Page 2, delete lines 1 through 9. Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to EHB 1514 as printed April 2, 2021.)

RAATZ

