

HOUSE BILL No. 1522

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 12-7-2-135.7; IC 12-17.2-8.

Synopsis: Children's overnight camps. Defines "overnight camp". Provides that the division of family resources (division) shall license and monitor overnight camps, including ensuring that a national criminal history background check is completed before granting a license to an applicant desiring to conduct an overnight camp or to an employee or volunteer of the applicant who has direct contact with a child participating in a program offered by the applicant. Authorizes the division to charge a fee for a license application and renewal and to adopt rules concerning the licensing and inspection of overnight camps.

Effective: July 1, 2019.

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January 17, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Family, Children and Human Affairs.



First Regular Session of the 121st General Assembly (2019)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 12-7-2-135.7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
2 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]: **Sec. 135.7. "Overnight camp", for**
4 **purposes of IC 12-17.2-8, has the meaning set forth in**
5 **IC 12-17.2-8-1.**

6 SECTION 2. IC 12-17.2-8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
7 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
8 JULY 1, 2019]:

9 **Chapter 8. Overnight Camps**

10 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "overnight camp" means any**
11 **area or tract of land established, operated, or maintained to**
12 **provide more than seventy-two (72) continuous hours of outdoor**
13 **group living experiences away from established residences for:**

- 14 (1) educational;
- 15 (2) recreational;
- 16 (3) sectarian; or
- 17 (4) health purposes;



1 to ten (10) or more children who are less than eighteen (18) years
 2 of age and not accompanied by a parent or guardian.

3 **Sec. 2. The division shall perform the following duties:**

4 (1) Administer the licensing and monitoring of overnight
 5 camps in accordance with this chapter.

6 (2) Ensure that, before issuing a license to the individual
 7 under this chapter, a national criminal history background
 8 check of the following individuals is completed through the
 9 state police department under IC 10-13-3-39:

10 (A) An applicant desiring to conduct an overnight camp.

11 (B) An employee or volunteer of the applicant who has
 12 direct contact with a child participating in a program
 13 offered by the applicant.

14 (3) Provide for the issuance, denial, suspension, and
 15 revocation of licenses.

16 (4) Deposit all license application and renewal fees collected
 17 under section 3 of this chapter into the state general fund.

18 **Sec. 3. The division may charge a license application and
 19 renewal fee of not more than five dollars (\$5).**

20 **Sec. 4. (a) The division may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2
 21 concerning the licensing and inspection of overnight camps after
 22 consultation with the following:**

23 (1) State department of health.

24 (2) Fire prevention and building safety commission.

25 (b) The rules adopted under subsection (a) shall be applied by
 26 the division and state fire marshal in the licensing and inspection
 27 of applicants for a license and licensees under this article.

