

SENATE BILL No. 101

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 20-30-4; IC 21-12-16-7.5; IC 21-18.5-6-10.

Synopsis: Education and higher education matters. Amends requirements regarding the development of a student's graduation plan. Provides that a student who is at least 17 years of age has full legal capacity to enter into a contract for a next generation Hoosier educators scholarship. Provides that the requirement that a postsecondary credit bearing proprietary educational institution that ceases operation submit student records to the Indiana archives and records administration applies regardless of any outstanding debts owed to the institution. Repeals a provision that requires a student to develop an initial graduation plan in grade 6.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 20-30-4-1.5 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY
2 1, 2021]. ~~Sec. 1-5: (a) In grade 6, a student and the student's parent~~
3 ~~shall develop an initial graduation plan. The plan must include the~~
4 ~~following:~~

- 5 (1) ~~A statement of intent to graduate from high school;~~
- 6 (2) ~~An acknowledgment of the importance of:~~
 - 7 (A) ~~good citizenship;~~
 - 8 (B) ~~school attendance; and~~
 - 9 (C) ~~diligent study habits.~~
- 10 (b) ~~The plan must become part of the student's permanent school~~
11 ~~record.~~

12 SECTION 2. IC 20-30-4-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.143-2019,
13 SECTION 22, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
14 JULY 1, 2021]: Sec. 2. (a) In consultation with the student's school
15 counselor, after seeking consultation with each student's parents, and
16 not later than the date on which the student completes grade 9, ~~8~~, each
17 student shall ~~further develop the a~~ graduation plan ~~developed in grade~~



1 ~~6~~ under section ~~1-5~~ of this chapter to also that is a part of the
 2 student's permanent school record and accessible to a parent of the
 3 student in accordance with the Family Education Rights and
 4 Privacy Act (20 U.S.C. 1232g et seq.).

5 (b) The graduation plan developed under subsection (a) must
 6 include the following:

7 (1) A statement of intent to graduate from high school.

8 (2) An acknowledgment of the importance of:

9 (A) good citizenship;

10 (B) school attendance; and

11 (C) diligent study habits.

12 (3) The subject and skill areas of interest to the student.

13 ~~(2)~~ (4) The postsecondary goals of the student ~~The postsecondary~~
 14 ~~goals of the student should indicate whether the student plans to~~
 15 ~~complete:~~

16 (A) a career aptitude exam;

17 (B) a work based learning course;

18 (C) a certificate, two ~~(2)~~ year, or four ~~(4)~~ or more year
 19 postsecondary education program; or

20 (D) any combination of the exams, courses, or programs
 21 described in clauses (A) through (C).

22 **aligned with the graduation pathway requirements under**
 23 **IC 20-32-4-1.5.**

24 ~~(3)~~ (5) A program of study under the college/technology
 25 preparation curriculum adopted by the state board under
 26 IC 20-30-10-2 for grades 10, 11, and 12 that meets the interests,
 27 aptitude, and postsecondary goals of the student.

28 ~~(4)~~ (6) Assurances that, upon satisfactory fulfillment of the plan,
 29 the student:

30 (A) is entitled to graduate; and

31 (B) will have taken at least the minimum variety and number
 32 of courses necessary to gain admittance to a state educational
 33 institution.

34 ~~(5)~~ (7) An indication of assessments (other than the statewide
 35 assessment program and the graduation examination (before July
 36 1, 2018)) that the student plans to take voluntarily during grade 10
 37 through grade 12 and which may include any of the following:

38 (A) The SAT Reasoning Test.

39 (B) The ACT test.

40 (C) Advanced placement exams.

41 (D) College readiness exams approved by the department.

42 (E) Workforce readiness exams approved by the department of



1 workforce development established under IC 22-4.1-2.

2 (F) Cambridge International examinations.

3 ~~(6) An indication of the graduation pathway requirement (after~~
4 ~~June 30, 2018) that the student plans to take.~~

5 SECTION 3. IC 20-30-4-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.143-2019,
6 SECTION 23, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
7 JULY 1, 2021]: Sec. 4. A graduation plan may be modified after initial
8 development. However, the modifications may not interfere with the
9 assurances described in section ~~2(4)~~ **2(b)(6)** of this chapter.

10 SECTION 4. IC 20-30-4-6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.192-2018,
11 SECTION 15, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
12 JULY 1, 2021]: Sec. 6. (a) A student's school counselor shall, in
13 consultation with the student and the student's parent, review annually
14 a student's graduation plan that was developed ~~in grade 9~~ under section
15 2 of this chapter to determine if the student is progressing toward
16 fulfillment of the graduation plan.

17 (b) If a student is not progressing toward fulfillment of the
18 graduation plan, the school counselor shall provide counseling services
19 for the purpose of advising the student of credit recovery options and
20 services available to help the student progress toward graduation.

21 (c) If a student is not progressing toward fulfillment of the
22 graduation plan due to not achieving a passing score on the graduation
23 examination (before July 1, 2022) or failing to meet a postsecondary
24 readiness competency established by the state board under
25 IC 20-32-4-1.5(c), the school counselor shall meet with the:

- 26 (1) teacher assigned to the student for remediation for the
27 particular competency area;
28 (2) parents of the student; and
29 (3) student;

30 to discuss available remediation and to plan to meet the requirements
31 under IC 20-32-4.

32 SECTION 5. IC 21-12-16-7.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
33 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
34 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021]: **Sec. 7.5. A student who:**

- 35 **(1) is at least seventeen (17) years of age; and**
36 **(2) enters into a contract for a scholarship under this chapter**
37 **to defray the expense of attending any postsecondary**
38 **educational institution;**

39 **has full legal capacity to act in the student's own behalf in this**
40 **transaction and is subject to any obligation that arises from the**
41 **contract.**

42 SECTION 6. IC 21-18.5-6-10, AS AMENDED BY P.L.171-2015,



1 SECTION 44, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
2 JULY 1, 2021]: Sec. 10. (a) A postsecondary credit bearing proprietary
3 educational institution shall maintain at least the following records for
4 each student:

- 5 (1) The program in which the student enrolls.
- 6 (2) The length of the program.
- 7 (3) The date of the student's initial enrollment in the program.
- 8 (4) A transcript of the student's academic progress.
- 9 (5) The amount of the student's tuition and fees.
- 10 (6) A copy of the enrollment agreement.

11 (b) Upon the request of the board for proprietary education, a
12 postsecondary credit bearing proprietary educational institution shall
13 submit the records described in subsection (a) to the board for
14 proprietary education.

15 (c) If a postsecondary credit bearing proprietary educational
16 institution ceases operation, the postsecondary credit bearing
17 proprietary educational institution shall submit the records described
18 in subsection (a) to the Indiana archives and records administration not
19 later than thirty (30) days after the institution ceases to operate,
20 **regardless of any outstanding debts owed to the institution.**

