

## **SENATE BILL No. 131**

DIGEST OF SB 131 (Updated February 20, 2017 12:44 pm - DI 128)

Citations Affected: Noncode.

**Synopsis:** Study committee. Urges the legislative council to assign to the appropriate committee a study of public policy issues relating to liability shifting provisions contained in contracts.

Effective: Upon passage.

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January 4, 2017, read first time and referred to Committee on Civil Law. February 21, 2017, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.



First Regular Session 120th General Assembly (2017)

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 concerning civil procedure.

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

SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) As used in this

| 2 | SECTION, "legislative council" refers to the legislative council    |
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| 3 | created by IC 2-5-1.1-1.  |
| 4 | (b) As used in this SECTION, "study committee" means either         |
| 5 | of the following:   |
| 6 | (1) A statutory committee established under IC 2-5.                 |
| 7 | (2) An interim study committee.                                     |
| 8 | (c) The legislative council is urged to assign to the appropriate   |
| 9 | study committee the task of studying public policy issues relating  |
| 0 | to liability shifting provisions contained in contracts.            |
| 1 | (d) If an appropriate study committee is assigned the topics        |
| 2 | described under subsection (c), the study committee shall issue to  |
| 3 | the legislative council a final report containing the study         |
| 4 | committee's findings and recommendations, including any             |
| 5 | recommended legislation concerning liability shifting provisions in |
| 6 | contracts, in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6, not later than  |

(e) This SECTION expires December 31, 2017.



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November 1, 2017.

1 SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.



## COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Civil Law, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 131, 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:

Delete the title and insert the following:

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Page 1, delete lines 1 through 17, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) As used in this SECTION, "legislative council" refers to the legislative council created by IC 2-5-1.1-1.

- (b) As used in this SECTION, "study committee" means either of the following:
  - (1) A statutory committee established under IC 2-5.
  - (2) An interim study committee.
- (c) The legislative council is urged to assign to the appropriate study committee the task of studying public policy issues relating to liability shifting provisions contained in contracts.
- (d) If an appropriate study committee is assigned the topics described under subsection (c), the study committee shall issue to the legislative council a final report containing the study committee's findings and recommendations, including any recommended legislation concerning liability shifting provisions in contracts, in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6, not later than November 1, 2017.
  - (e) This SECTION expires December 31, 2017.

SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.".

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and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 131 as introduced.)

HEAD, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0.

