



January 17, 2018

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## SENATE BILL No. 135

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DIGEST OF SB 135 (Updated January 11, 2018 2:56 pm - DI 104)

**Citations Affected:** IC 31-34.

**Synopsis:** Required DCS notifications for schools. Requires DCS to notify the individual designated as the point of contact for a child's school if the child is removed from the child's home. Makes conforming amendments.

**Effective:** July 1, 2018.

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### Bohacek, Zay, Houchin, Niezgodski

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January 3, 2018, read first time and referred to Committee on Family and Children Services.  
January 16, 2018, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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SB 135—LS 6209/DI 125





January 17, 2018

Second Regular Session 120th General Assembly (2018)

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.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2017 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning family law and juvenile law.

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 31-34-3-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 4. The notice **to the**  
3 **parent, guardian, or custodian** required by this chapter must:  
4 (1) identify a person or an entity that the parent, guardian, or  
5 custodian may contact to obtain more information regarding the  
6 child's removal from the child's residence; and  
7 (2) be given to each of the child's parents as described in sections  
8 1 through 3 of this chapter.  
9 SECTION 2. IC 31-34-3-4.7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
10 AS A **NEW SECTION** TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
11 1, 2018]: **Sec. 4.7. If a child who is a student attending kindergarten**  
12 **through grade 12 is taken into custody under IC 31-34-2, the**  
13 **department shall, not later than seventy-two (72) hours after the**  
14 **child is taken into custody, provide written or verbal notice to the**  
15 **individual designated as the point of contact for the school that the**  
16 **child attends that the child has been removed from the child's**  
17 **home.**

SB 135—LS 6209/DI 125



COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Family and Children Services, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 135, 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, delete lines 1 through 17.

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 9.

Page 2, line 22, delete "before the start of the next school day," and insert "**not later than seventy-two (72) hours after the child is taken into custody,**".

Page 2, line 23, delete "principal, or the designee of the" and insert "**individual designated as the point of contact for**".

Page 2, line 24, delete "principal, of".

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 135 as introduced.)

GROOMS, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0.

