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SENATE BILL No. 154

DIGEST OF SB 154 (Updated January 18, 2024 8:08 am - DI 140)

Citations Affected: IC 20-27; IC 20-40.

Synopsis: Transportation funding. Provides that a school corporation may use the school corporation's operations fund for transportation of school children to certain: (1) apprenticeship programs; (2) career and technical education programs; (3) modern youth apprenticeships; and (4) work based learning courses.

Effective: July 1, 2024.

Alexander, Rogers

January 8, 2024, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.
January 18, 2024, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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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 education.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 20-27-12.1-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.155-2020,
2 SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "career and technical
4 education" ~~has the meaning set forth in IC 20-20-38-1.~~ **refers to:**
5 **(1) an apprenticeship program (as defined in IC 20-43-8-0.3);**
6 **(2) a career and technical education (as defined in**
7 **IC 20-20-38-1) program;**
8 **(3) a modern youth apprenticeship (as defined in**
9 **IC 20-51.4-2-9.5); and**
10 **(4) a work based learning course (as defined in**
11 **IC 20-43-8-0.7).**
12 SECTION 2. IC 20-40-18-8, AS ADDED BY P.L.244-2017,
13 SECTION 86, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
14 JULY 1, 2024]: Sec. 8. (a) A school corporation shall use the
15 operations fund to pay the transportation costs attributable to
16 transportation of school children as specified in subsection (b).
17 (b) Only the following costs are payable from the fund:

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- 1 (1) Salaries paid to bus drivers, transportation supervisors,
 2 mechanics and garage employees, clerks, and other transportation
 3 related employees.
 4 (2) Contracted transportation services.
 5 (3) Wages of independent contractors.
 6 (4) Contracts with common carriers.
 7 (5) Student fares.
 8 (6) Transportation related insurance.
 9 **(7) Transportation of school children to:**
 10 **(A) an apprenticeship program (as defined in**
 11 **IC 20-43-8-0.3);**
 12 **(B) a career and technical education (as defined in**
 13 **IC 20-20-38-1) program;**
 14 **(C) a modern youth apprenticeship (as defined in**
 15 **IC 20-51.4-2-9.5); and**
 16 **(D) a work based learning course (as defined in**
 17 **IC 20-43-8-0.7).**
 18 ~~(7)~~ **(8)** Other expenses of operating the school corporation's
 19 transportation service, including gasoline, lubricants, tires,
 20 repairs, contracted repairs, parts, supplies, equipment, and other
 21 related expenses.
 22 (c) Percentages or parts of salaries of teaching personnel or
 23 principals are not attributable to transportation. However, parts of
 24 salaries of instructional aides who are assigned to assist with the school
 25 transportation program are attributable to transportation. The costs
 26 described in this subsection (other than instructional aide costs) may
 27 not be budgeted for payment or paid from the fund.
 28 (d) Costs for a calendar year are those costs attributable to
 29 transportation for students during the school year ending in the
 30 calendar year.



COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Education and Career Development, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 154, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill DO PASS.

(Reference is to SB 154 as introduced.)

RAATZ, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 11, Nays 2

