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## SENATE BILL No. 157

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**Citations Affected:** IC 20-18; IC 20-20; IC 20-43.

**Synopsis:** Real world career readiness program. Establishes the real world career readiness program (program). Provides that the state board of education (state board) shall establish the program to provide a real world career readiness student with career and technical education credentials necessary to transition from school to the workforce. Provides that the state board, in consultation with the department of workforce development, may create an authorized program, or approve high or moderate value career and technical education programs administered by one or more school corporations or charter schools. Provides that a real world career readiness student may attend an authorized program for a period of not more than one school year after the student's cohort's expected graduation year in order to obtain an industry recognized certification, credential, or postsecondary degree. Provides that a program must include an apprenticeship program, a cooperative program, or a work based learning program. Provides that a student may participate in an authorized program if the student: (1) participates in the Indiana career explorer program or curriculum or an alternative Internet based system  
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**Effective:** July 1, 2018.

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January 3, 2018, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.

January 25, 2018, reported favorably — Do Pass; reassigned to Committee on Appropriations.

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and curriculum approved by the department of education, in consultation with the department of workforce development, that includes an aptitude assessment that demonstrates the student's aptitude, in a manner prescribed by the state board, on the aptitude assessment administered for the applicable field of study; or (2) meets alternative qualification requirements for the student's applicable field of study established by the state board in consultation with the department of workforce development. Provides that not later than July 1, 2019, each school corporation or charter high school, either solely, or in a cooperative or consortia with one or more school corporations or charter high schools, must participate in an authorized program beginning with a cohort with an expected graduation year of 2023. Provides that an eligible pupil, for purposes of calculating state tuition support, includes a student enrolled in a program.



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Second Regular Session 120th General Assembly (2018)

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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.

## SENATE BILL No. 157

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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 20-18-2-7, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION  
2 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,  
3 2018]: Sec. 7. "High school" means any combination of grades 9, 10,  
4 11, or 12, **or students enrolled in a real world career readiness**  
5 **program under IC 20-20-38.1 who have met the graduation**  
6 **requirements under IC 20-32-4.**

7           SECTION 2. IC 20-20-38-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.230-2017,  
8 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
9 JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 4. (a) The state board shall develop and  
10 implement a long range state plan for a comprehensive secondary level  
11 career and technical education program in Indiana.

12           (b) The plan developed under this section must be updated as  
13 changes occur. The state board shall make the plan and any revisions  
14 made to the plan available to:

- 15           (1) the governor;  
16           (2) the general assembly;  
17           (3) the department of workforce development;

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- 1 (4) the commission for higher education;  
 2 (5) the council;  
 3 (6) the board for proprietary education; and  
 4 (7) any other appropriate state or federal agency.
- 5 A plan or revised plan submitted under this section to the general  
 6 assembly must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.
- 7 (c) The plan developed under this section must set forth specific  
 8 goals for secondary level public career and technical education and  
 9 must include the following:
- 10 (1) The preparation of each graduate for both employment and  
 11 further education.
- 12 (2) Accessibility of career and technical education to individuals  
 13 of all ages who desire to explore and learn for economic and  
 14 personal growth.
- 15 (3) Projected employment opportunities in various career and  
 16 technical education fields.
- 17 (4) A study of the supply of and the demand for a labor force  
 18 skilled in particular career and technical education areas.
- 19 (5) A study of technological and economic change affecting  
 20 Indiana.
- 21 (6) An analysis of the private career and education sector in  
 22 Indiana.
- 23 (7) Recommendations for improvement in the state career and  
 24 technical education program, **including the real world career**  
 25 **readiness program established under IC 20-20-38.1-6.**
- 26 (8) The educational levels expected of career and technical  
 27 education programs proposed to meet the projected employment  
 28 needs.
- 29 (d) When making any revisions to the plan, the state board shall  
 30 consider the workforce needs and training and education needs  
 31 identified in the occupational demand report prepared by the  
 32 department of workforce development under IC 22-4.1-4-10.
- 33 (e) The state board shall use data from the department of workforce  
 34 development to develop and implement a plan or make revisions to a  
 35 plan under this section.
- 36 SECTION 3. IC 20-20-38-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.230-2017,  
 37 SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 38 JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 8. (a) The state board shall adopt statewide  
 39 systems or policies concerning the following as the systems or policies  
 40 relate to the implementation of career and technical education  
 41 programs:
- 42 (1) Student records.



1 (2) Data processing at the secondary level.

2 (3) An evaluation system that must be conducted by the state  
3 board at least annually and that evaluates the following as each  
4 relates to the career and technical education programs and courses  
5 offered at the secondary level, **including disaggregated results**  
6 **for the real world career readiness program established under**  
7 **IC 20-20-38.1-6:**

8 (A) Graduation rates.

9 (B) Student placement rates.

10 (C) Retention rates.

11 (D) Enrollment.

12 (E) Student transfer rates to postsecondary educational  
13 institutions.

14 (F) When applicable, student performance on state licensing  
15 examinations or other external certification examinations.

16 (G) Cost data study.

17 (4) A system of financial audits to be conducted at least biennially  
18 at the secondary level.

19 (b) The state board shall use data from the department of workforce  
20 development in adopting statewide systems or policies under  
21 subsection (a).

22 SECTION 4. IC 20-20-38-10, AS AMENDED BY P.L.230-2017,  
23 SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
24 JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 10. (a) The state board shall develop a definition  
25 for and report biennially to:

26 (1) the general assembly; and

27 (2) the governor;

28 on attrition and persistence rates by students enrolled in secondary  
29 career and technical education, **including disaggregated rates for**  
30 **students enrolled in a real world career readiness program**  
31 **established under IC 20-20-38.1-6 upon completion of the student's**  
32 **graduation requirements under IC 20-32-4.** A biennial report under  
33 this section to the general assembly must be in an electronic format  
34 under IC 5-14-6.

35 (b) The state board shall use data from the department of workforce  
36 development in developing a definition and a report under subsection  
37 (a).

38 SECTION 5. IC 20-20-38.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
39 AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
40 JULY 1, 2018]:

41 **Chapter 38.1. Real World Career Readiness Program**

42 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "authorized program" refers to**



1 a real world career readiness program established or approved by  
2 the state board under section 6 of this chapter.

3 **Sec. 2.** As used in this chapter, "career and technical education"  
4 has the meaning set forth in IC 20-20-38-1.

5 **Sec. 3.** As used in this chapter, "cohort" has the meaning set  
6 forth in IC 20-26-13-2.

7 **Sec. 4.** As used in this chapter, "expected graduation year" has  
8 the meaning set forth in IC 20-26-13-4.

9 **Sec. 5.** As used in this chapter, "real world career readiness  
10 student" refers to a student enrolled in a real world career  
11 readiness program established or approved by the state board  
12 under section 6 of this chapter.

13 **Sec. 6. (a)** The state board shall establish the real world career  
14 readiness program to provide a real world career readiness student  
15 with career and technical education credentials necessary to  
16 transition from school to the workforce.

17 **(b)** The state board, in consultation with the department of  
18 workforce development, may create an authorized program or  
19 approve, in a manner prescribed by the state board, high or  
20 moderate value career and technical education programs  
21 administered by one (1) or more school corporations or charter  
22 schools. The career and technical education programs must  
23 combine the theory of a particular career with workforce practice  
24 or application. In order to qualify as an authorized program, a  
25 career and technical education program must:

26 (1) include:

27 (A) an apprenticeship program;

28 (B) a cooperative program; or

29 (C) a work based learning program;

30 (2) include employment assistance in consultation with the  
31 department of workforce development for real world career  
32 readiness students; and

33 (3) result in the real world career readiness student earning  
34 an industry recognized certification, credential, or  
35 postsecondary degree upon completion of the authorized  
36 program.

37 **(c)** Subject to section 7 of this chapter, a real world career  
38 readiness student who meets the requirements under section 8 of  
39 this chapter may attend an authorized program for a period of not  
40 more than one (1) school year after the real world career readiness  
41 student's cohort's expected graduation year, provided the real  
42 world career readiness student is on track to meet the



1 requirements specified in subsection (b)(3) within one (1) school  
 2 year after the real world career readiness student's cohort's  
 3 expected graduation year.

4 **Sec. 7. (a) In order for a real world career readiness student to**  
 5 **be eligible to attend an authorized program after the real world**  
 6 **career readiness student meets the graduation requirements under**  
 7 **IC 20-32-4, the real world career readiness student must maintain**  
 8 **a full course load throughout high school and remain on track to**  
 9 **graduate with the real world career readiness student's cohort.**

10 **(b) A real world career readiness student who meets the**  
 11 **requirements under subsection (a) may attend an authorized**  
 12 **program after the real world career readiness student meets the**  
 13 **graduation requirements under IC 20-32-4 until the earlier of:**

- 14 **(1) the date the real world career readiness student earns an**  
 15 **industry recognized certification, credential, or postsecondary**  
 16 **degree upon completion of the authorized program; or**  
 17 **(2) the end of one (1) school year immediately following the**  
 18 **expected graduation date of the real world career readiness**  
 19 **student's cohort.**

20 **Sec. 8. A student may participate in an authorized program**  
 21 **under this chapter if the student does the following:**

22 **(1) Either:**

- 23 **(A) participates in the Indiana career explorer program**  
 24 **and curriculum or an alternative Internet based system**  
 25 **and curriculum approved by the department, in**  
 26 **consultation with the department of workforce**  
 27 **development, under IC 20-30-5-14 that includes an**  
 28 **aptitude assessment and demonstrates an aptitude, in a**  
 29 **manner prescribed by the state board, for the applicable**  
 30 **field of study offered as part of the authorized program; or**  
 31 **(B) meets alternative qualification requirements for the**  
 32 **student's applicable field of study established by the state**  
 33 **board in consultation with the department of workforce**  
 34 **development.**

- 35 **(2) Meets any other requirement established by the state**  
 36 **board, in consultation with the department of workforce**  
 37 **development.**

38 **Sec. 9. Not later than July 1, 2019, each school corporation or**  
 39 **charter high school, either solely or in a cooperative or consortia**  
 40 **with one (1) or more school corporations or charter high schools,**  
 41 **must participate in an authorized program beginning with a cohort**  
 42 **with an expected graduation year of 2023.**



1           **Sec. 10. The state board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2**  
 2 **necessary to carry out this chapter.**

3           SECTION 6. IC 20-43-4-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008,  
 4 SECTION 487, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
 5 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 1. (a) An individual is an eligible  
 6 pupil if the individual is a pupil enrolled in a school corporation and:

7           (1) the school corporation has the responsibility to educate the  
 8 pupil in its public schools without the payment of tuition;

9           (2) subject to subdivision (5), the school corporation has the  
 10 responsibility to pay transfer tuition under IC 20-26-11 because  
 11 the pupil is:

12           (A) transferred for education to another school corporation; or

13           (B) placed in an out-of-state institution or facility by or with  
 14 the consent of the department of child services;

15           (3) the pupil is enrolled in a school corporation as a transfer  
 16 student under IC 20-26-11-6 or entitled to be counted for ADM  
 17 purposes as a resident of the school corporation when attending  
 18 its schools under any other applicable law or regulation;

19           (4) the state is responsible for the payment of transfer tuition to  
 20 the school corporation for the pupil under IC 20-26-11; ~~or~~

21           (5) all of the following apply:

22           (A) The school corporation is a transferee corporation.

23           (B) The pupil does not qualify as a qualified pupil in the  
 24 transferee corporation under subdivision (3) or (4).

25           (C) The transferee corporation's attendance area includes a  
 26 state licensed private or public health care facility or child care  
 27 facility where the pupil was placed:

28           (i) by or with the consent of the department of child  
 29 services;

30           (ii) by a court order;

31           (iii) by a child placing agency licensed by the department of  
 32 child services;

33           (iv) by a parent or guardian under IC 20-26-11-8; or

34           (v) by or with the consent of the department under  
 35 IC 20-35-6-2; **or**

36           **(6) the pupil is enrolled in the school corporation as a real**  
 37 **world career readiness student under IC 20-20-38.1.**

38           (b) For purposes of a career and technical education grant, an  
 39 eligible pupil includes a student enrolled in a charter school.





## COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Education and Career Development, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 157, 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 and be reassigned to the Senate Committee on Appropriations.

(Reference is to SB 157 as introduced.)

KRUSE, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 9, Nays 2

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