

SENATE BILL No. 277

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 20-18-2-22.5; IC 20-19-2-22.

Synopsis: Teacher leaders. Requires the state board of education (state board) to establish standards that a teacher must meet to qualify as a teacher leader and be eligible to receive a teacher leader endorsement. Provides that the state board may establish multiple standards and more than one pathway of standards that a teacher may meet to qualify as a teacher leader. Provides that the standards established by the state board may include part or all of the teacher leader model standards established by the Teacher Leadership Exploratory Consortium. Provides that, if a teacher meets the standards established by the state board and applies to the department of education (department) for a teacher leader endorsement, the department shall add to the teacher's teaching license a teacher leader endorsement that indicates the teacher has met the standards established by the state board.

Effective: July 1, 2019.

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January 7, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.



First Regular Session of the 121st General Assembly (2019)

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 20-18-2-22.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
2 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]: **Sec. 22.5. "Teacher leader" means a**
4 **teacher who demonstrates leadership by meeting the standards**
5 **established by the state board under IC 20-19-2-22.**

6 SECTION 2. IC 20-19-2-22 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
7 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
8 1, 2019]: **Sec. 22. (a) Subject to subsection (c), the state board shall**
9 **establish standards that a teacher must meet to qualify as a teacher**
10 **leader and be eligible to receive a teacher leader endorsement**
11 **under subsection (e).**

12 **(b) Subject to subsection (c), the state board may establish**
13 **multiple standards and more than one (1) pathway of standards**
14 **that a teacher may meet to qualify as a teacher leader.**

15 **(c) The state board may include the following factors in the**
16 **standards established under subsection (a):**

17 **(1) Participation in the evaluation of other teachers.**



- 1 **(2) Mentoring of other teachers.**
- 2 **(3) Demonstration of exceptional leadership in a school.**
- 3 **(4) Participation in the development of curriculum.**
- 4 **(d) The standards established under this section may include**
- 5 **part or all of the teacher leader model standards established by the**
- 6 **Teacher Leadership Exploratory Consortium.**
- 7 **(e) If a teacher:**
- 8 **(1) meets the standards established by the state board under**
- 9 **this section; and**
- 10 **(2) applies to the department for a teacher leader**
- 11 **endorsement;**
- 12 **the department shall add to the teacher's teaching license a teacher**
- 13 **leader endorsement that indicates the teacher has met the**
- 14 **standards established by the state board under this section.**
- 15 **(f) The state board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to**
- 16 **implement this section.**

