

SENATE BILL No. 367

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: Noncode.

Synopsis: Trauma sensitive schools. Requires the department of education to conduct a statewide needs assessment survey concerning student service providers and how schools are addressing the social and emotional needs of students.

Effective: July 1, 2018.

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January 4, 2018, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.



Second Regular Session 120th General Assembly (2018)

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A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning education.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018] (a) **The definitions in**
- 2 **IC 20 apply throughout this SECTION.**
- 3 **(b) The following definitions apply throughout this SECTION:**
- 4 **(1) "Credential" means a professional certificate or license**
- 5 **issued to an individual by an agency of Indiana.**
- 6 **(2) "Educational and career services" means services that**
- 7 **assist students in identifying realistic and challenging futures**
- 8 **and provide support services to help students in realizing**
- 9 **those futures.**
- 10 **(3) "Health services" means programs and services that**
- 11 **promote and protect the health, safety, and well-being of**
- 12 **students to ensure a healthy environment that nurtures**
- 13 **academic growth. The term includes mental health services.**
- 14 **(4) "Student assistance services" means services that prevent**
- 15 **or alleviate problems that interfere with student learning.**
- 16 **(5) "Student services" means:**
- 17 **(A) educational and career services;**
- 18 **(B) student assistance services; and**



- 1 (C) health services.
- 2 (6) "Student services provider" means an individual who:
- 3 (A) provides educational and career services, student
- 4 assistance services, or health services; and
- 5 (B) holds credentials in the area of:
- 6 (i) school counseling, for educational and career services;
- 7 (ii) school counseling, school psychology, or school social
- 8 work (master's level), for student assistance services; or
- 9 (iii) registered nursing, for health services.
- 10 (c) The department shall conduct a statewide needs assessment
- 11 survey that collects data concerning:
- 12 (1) the status of the student services provider workforce;
- 13 (2) the relevant roles and functions being performed by
- 14 student services providers;
- 15 (3) the percentages of time spent by student services providers
- 16 in addressing various student needs;
- 17 (4) the level of unmet student needs;
- 18 (5) how schools are addressing trauma occurring in the
- 19 student population;
- 20 (6) how the social and emotional needs of students are being
- 21 addressed;
- 22 (7) the steps that schools take to promote a positive school
- 23 environment; and
- 24 (8) the recommended ratios of student services providers
- 25 within school workforces as determined by national student
- 26 services professional associations;
- 27 in public elementary, middle, and high schools in Indiana,
- 28 including charter schools.
- 29 (d) The survey described in subsection (c) may be in an
- 30 electronic format.
- 31 (e) Before January 1, 2019, the department shall report the
- 32 department's findings to the general assembly in an electronic
- 33 format under IC 5-14-6. The department shall post the report on
- 34 its Internet web site.
- 35 (f) This SECTION expires July 1, 2019.

