

# SENATE BILL No. 391

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** Noncode.

**Synopsis:** Teacher evaluation study and recommendations. Requires the department of education to: (1) study and make recommendations regarding establishing regional teams that would independently conduct teacher performance evaluations, developing a uniform teacher performance evaluation system in Indiana, and establishing other requirements regarding teacher performance evaluations; and (2) prepare and submit, not later than November 1, 2019, a report to the general assembly regarding the study and recommendations.

**Effective:** Upon passage.

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January 14, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.

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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.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2018 Regular and Special Session of the General Assembly.

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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 UPON PASSAGE] (a) **As used in this**
- 2 **SECTION, "department" refers to the department of education**
- 3 **established by IC 20-19-3-1.**
- 4 (b) **The department shall study and make recommendations**
- 5 **regarding the following:**
- 6 (1) **Establishing regional teams that would independently**
- 7 **conduct teacher performance evaluations.**
- 8 (2) **Developing a uniform teacher performance evaluation**
- 9 **system in Indiana.**
- 10 (3) **Requiring a regional team described in subdivision (1) to**
- 11 **conduct, every three (3) years, a performance evaluation for**
- 12 **each teacher in the regional team's region.**
- 13 (4) **Providing that teachers who receive a rating of highly**
- 14 **effective or effective on a performance evaluation are**
- 15 **required to receive a performance evaluation only once every**
- 16 **three (3) years by a regional team as provided under**
- 17 **subdivision (3).**
- 18 (5) **Except for the years in which a regional team conducts a**



- 1 performance evaluation of a teacher under subdivision (3),  
2 requiring a school corporation to continue conducting  
3 performance evaluations annually for teachers who receive a  
4 rating of improvement necessary or ineffective on a  
5 performance evaluation.  
6 (6) Requiring a teacher who receives a rating of ineffective on  
7 a performance evaluation to work with, and have as a mentor,  
8 a teacher who has received a rating of highly effective on a  
9 performance evaluation.  
10 (c) The department shall:  
11 (1) prepare a report regarding the department's study and  
12 recommendations under subsection (b); and  
13 (2) not later than November 1, 2019, submit the report to the  
14 general assembly in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.  
15 (d) This SECTION expires June 30, 2020.  
16 SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.

