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SENATE BILL No. 397

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Citations Affected: IC 12-15; IC 20-28.

Synopsis: Matters concerning children in nursing facilities. Requires the office of Medicaid policy and planning to reimburse in a specified manner for a specialized or nonstandard wheelchair for a child recipient who resides in a nursing facility. Specifies that a school employee who teaches a child who resides in a nursing facility and attends the school may not be adversely assessed on the employee's performance evaluation based on the child's assessment results.

Effective: July 1, 2014.

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Charbonneau, Stoops, Kruse, Breaux**

January 14, 2014, read first time and referred to Committee on Health and Provider Services.
January 23, 2014, reported favorably — Do Pass.
January 30, 2014, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning human services.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 12-15-5-12 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2014]: **Sec. 12. (a) As used in this section, "child" includes any of**
4 **the following:**
5 (1) **An individual who is less than eighteen (18) years of age.**
6 (2) **An individual who is at least eighteen (18) years of age and**
7 **either:**
8 (A) **continues to be enrolled in a kindergarten through**
9 **grade 12 school; or**
10 (B) **has a developmental disability.**
11 (b) **The office shall reimburse a nursing facility for a specialized**
12 **or nonstandard wheelchair for a child recipient who resides in a**
13 **nursing facility at a rate outside the nursing facility's per diem**
14 **payment for nursing facility services, regardless of whether the**
15 **child recipient is determined by the office to be rehabilitative.**
16 (c) **The office may require prior authorization for**

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1 **reimbursement under this section.**

2 SECTION 2. IC 20-28-11.5-4, AS ADDED BY P.L.90-2011,
3 SECTION 39, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
4 JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 4. (a) Each school corporation shall develop a
5 plan for annual performance evaluations for each certificated employee
6 (as defined in IC 20-29-2-4). A school corporation shall implement the
7 plan beginning with the 2012-2013 school year.

8 (b) Instead of developing its own staff performance evaluation plan
9 under subsection (a), a school corporation may adopt a staff
10 performance evaluation plan that meets the requirements set forth in
11 this chapter or any of the following models:

12 (1) A plan using master teachers or contracting with an outside
13 vendor to provide master teachers.

14 (2) The System for Teacher and Student Advancement (TAP).

15 (3) The Peer Assistance and Review Teacher Evaluation System
16 (PAR).

17 (c) A plan must include the following components:

18 (1) Performance evaluations for all certificated employees,
19 conducted at least annually.

20 (2) **Except as provided in subsection (e)**, objective measures of
21 student achievement and growth to significantly inform the
22 evaluation. The objective measures must include:

23 (A) student assessment results from statewide assessments for
24 certificated employees whose responsibilities include
25 instruction in subjects measured in statewide assessments;

26 (B) methods for assessing student growth for certificated
27 employees who do not teach in areas measured by statewide
28 assessments; and

29 (C) student assessment results from locally developed
30 assessments and other test measures for certificated employees
31 whose responsibilities may or may not include instruction in
32 subjects and areas measured by statewide assessments.

33 (3) Rigorous measures of effectiveness, including observations
34 and other performance indicators.

35 (4) An annual designation of each certificated employee in one
36 (1) of the following rating categories:

37 (A) Highly effective.

38 (B) Effective.

39 (C) Improvement necessary.

40 (D) Ineffective.

41 (5) An explanation of the evaluator's recommendations for
42 improvement, and the time in which improvement is expected.



- 1 (6) A provision that a teacher who negatively affects student
2 achievement and growth cannot receive a rating of highly
3 effective or effective.
4 (d) The evaluator shall discuss the evaluation with the certificated
5 employee.
6 **(e) A certificated employee who teaches a child who resides in**
7 **a nursing facility and attends the school may not be adversely**
8 **assessed on the employee's performance evaluation based on the**
9 **child's assessment results.**



COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Health and Provider Services, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 397, 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 397 as introduced.)

Committee Vote: Yeas 10, Nays 0

Senator Miller Patricia, Chairperson

SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senate Bill 397 be amended to read as follows:

Page 1, line 3, after "(a)" insert "**As used in this section, "child" includes any of the following:**

- (1) An individual who is less than eighteen (18) years of age.**
- (2) An individual who is at least eighteen (18) years of age and either:**

(A) continues to be enrolled in a kindergarten through grade 12 school; or

(B) has a developmental disability.

(b)".

Page 1, line 9, delete "(b)" and insert "(c)".

Page 3, delete lines 3 through 14.

Re-number all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to SB 397 as printed January 24, 2014.)

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