

SENATE BILL No. 82

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 20-14-1-7.

Synopsis: Internet services at public libraries. Requires a public library that offers Internet access to library patrons to adopt a written policy on the blocking of certain Internet sites and to have in place software to block access to Internet sites identified under the policy. Provides that the state library and historical board may not distribute state money to a public library that fails to block patron access to the specified Internet sites.

Effective: September 1, 1998.

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Introduced

Second Regular Session 110th General Assembly (1998)

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 1997 General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning public libraries.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 20-14-1-7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW SECTION** TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 SEPTEMBER 1, 1998]: **Sec. 7. (a) The board of a public library that**
4 **offers Internet access to library patrons shall do the following:**
5 **(1) Adopt a written policy identifying:**
6 **(A) Internet sites; or**
7 **(B) types of Internet sites;**
8 **that may not be accessed by library patrons who are using**
9 **library software to access the Internet.**
10 **(2) Install and maintain functioning filtering software on**
11 **computers located in the public library to block access by**
12 **library patrons to Internet sites identified by the policy**
13 **adopted under subdivision (1).**
14 **(b) The state library and historical board may not distribute**
15 **state money to a public library that does not comply with the**
16 **requirements of subsection (a).**

