

HOUSE BILL No. 1110

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 16-20-2-16.

Synopsis: Local health officer qualifications. Removes the requirement that a person appointed as a local health officer in certain counties must be a licensed physician. Requires a local board of health to contract with a licensed physician for medical advice when the board appoints a nonphysician as its health officer.

Effective: July 1, 1998.

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January 6, 1998, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Health.



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 health.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 16-20-2-16 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1998]: Sec. 16. (a) Each local board
3 of health shall appoint a health officer to serve for a term of four (4)
4 years. The health officer ~~must~~ **may** be a licensed physician.
5 (b) The appointment shall be certified by the county executive and
6 sent to the state department. The state department shall maintain a
7 record of the certification.
8 (c) The health officer is eligible for reappointment.
9 (d) The health officer is the executive officer of the local health
10 department and shall serve as secretary of the local board of health.
11 (e) **If the health officer appointed under subsection (a) is not a**
12 **licensed physician, the local board of health shall contract with a**
13 **licensed physician to provide advice with respect to health matters.**

