

# HOUSE BILL No. 1208

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 20-10.1-4-11.

**Synopsis:** Abstinence education in schools. Changes for accredited public and nonpublic schools the requirements for teaching abstinence from sexual activity outside of marriage throughout instruction on human sexuality or sexually transmitted diseases.

**Effective:** July 1, 1998.

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January 8, 1998, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.

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Second Regular Session 110th General Assembly (1998)

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

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

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 20-10.1-4-11 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
- 2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1998]: Sec. 11. Throughout
- 3 instruction on human sexuality or sexually transmitted diseases, an
- 4 accredited school shall **teach the following:**
- 5 (1) ~~teach~~ **Why** abstinence from sexual activity outside of marriage
- 6 ~~as is~~ the expected standard for all school age children.
- 7 (2) ~~include that~~ **Why** abstinence from sexual activity is the only
- 8 certain way to avoid out-of-wedlock pregnancy, sexually
- 9 transmitted diseases, and other associated health problems. ~~and~~
- 10 (3) ~~include that~~ **Why** the best way to avoid sexually transmitted
- 11 diseases and other associated health problems is to establish a
- 12 mutually faithful monogamous relationship in the context of
- 13 marriage.
- 14 (4) **Why sexual activity outside the context of marriage is**
- 15 **likely to have harmful psychological and emotional effects.**

