

HOUSE BILL No. 1065

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 31-14-14-1.5; IC 31-17-4-1.5.

Synopsis: Visitation rights. Prohibits a court from granting visitation rights with a child to a parent who has been convicted of murder of the child's other parent unless the court finds that: (1) the statutory requirements entitling a parent to reasonable visitation under current law are met; (2) the child is of a reasonable age to agree to the visitation; and (3) the child consents to the visitation.

Effective: July 1, 1999.

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January 6, 1999, read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

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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 1998 General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning family law and juvenile law.

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 31-14-14-1.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
2 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: **Sec. 1.5. A court may not grant**
4 **visitation rights with a child to a parent who has been convicted of**
5 **murder under IC 35-42-1-1 of the child's other parent unless the**
6 **court finds that all of the following conditions exist:**

- 7 (1) **The parent is entitled to reasonable visitation under**
- 8 **section 1 of this chapter.**
- 9 (2) **The child is of reasonable age to demonstrate that the child**
- 10 **approves of the visitation order.**
- 11 (3) **The child consents to the visitation.**

12 SECTION 2. IC 31-17-4-1.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
13 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
14 1, 1999]: **Sec. 1.5. A court may not grant visitation rights with a**
15 **child to a parent who has been convicted of murder under**
16 **IC 35-42-1-1 of the child's other parent unless the court finds that**
17 **all of the following conditions exist:**



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- 2 **section 1 of this chapter.**
- 3 **(2) The child is of reasonable age to demonstrate that the child**
- 4 **approves of the visitation order.**
- 5 **(3) The child consents to the visitation.**

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