

# HOUSE BILL No. 1303

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** None (noncode).

**Synopsis:** School violence study commission. Establishes a one year school violence study commission with members jointly appointed by the governor and the superintendent of public instruction. Provides that the superintendent of public instruction chairs and funds the commission. Requires the commission to conduct a study and report findings to the legislative council and the executive director of the legislative services agency.

**Effective:** Upon passage.

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January 12, 1999, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning education.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) **As used in this**
- 2 **SECTION, "commission" refers to the school violence study**
- 3 **commission established by subsection (c).**
- 4 (b) **As used in this SECTION, "department" refers to the**
- 5 **department of education established by IC 20-1-1.1-2.**
- 6 (c) **The school violence study commission is established.**
- 7 (d) **The commission shall do the following:**
- 8 (1) **Study matters related to school violence, including the**
- 9 **following:**
- 10 (A) **The current effect and extent of school violence in**
- 11 **Indiana.**
- 12 (B) **Effective state and local efforts to curb violence in**
- 13 **schools.**
- 14 (C) **Relevant subjects selected by the chairperson.**
- 15 (2) **Report the commission's findings, conclusions, and**
- 16 **recommendations to the legislative council and to the**
- 17 **executive director of the legislative services agency before**
- 18 **December 30, 1999.**

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1 (e) The governor and the superintendent of public instruction  
2 shall jointly appoint commission members. The commission  
3 consists of the following seventeen (17) members:

4 (1) The superintendent of public instruction.

5 (2) Four (4) members of the house of representatives, not  
6 more than two (2) of whom are of the same political party.

7 (3) Four (4) members of the senate, not more than two (2) of  
8 whom are of the same political party.

9 (4) Four (4) community members having an interest in  
10 curbing violence in schools.

11 (5) Two (2) superintendents (as defined in IC 20-10.1-1-6).

12 (6) Two (2) teachers.

13 (f) The superintendent of public instruction is chairperson of the  
14 commission.

15 (g) A member of the commission may be removed at any time by  
16 the appointing authorities.

17 (h) The appointing authorities shall fill a vacancy on the  
18 commission by appointing a member for the unexpired term.

19 (i) The chairperson shall give notice of the time, place, and  
20 agenda of commission meetings.

21 (j) The affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed  
22 to the commission is required for the commission to take action on  
23 any measure.

24 (k) A member of the commission is entitled to receive the same  
25 per diem, mileage, and travel allowances paid to individuals  
26 serving as legislative and lay members, respectively, on interim  
27 study commissions established by the legislative council.

28 (l) The department shall:

29 (1) provide staff and administrative support for the  
30 commission; and

31 (2) establish a budget for the commission.

32 The expenses incurred by the commission in performing the  
33 commission's duties shall be paid from the funds appropriated to  
34 the department of education.

35 (m) This SECTION expires December 31, 1999.

36 SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.

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