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## SENATE BILL No. 157

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DIGEST OF SB0157 (Updated February 23, 1999 11:04 am - DI 71)

**Citations Affected:** IC 4-20.5.

**Synopsis:** Leasing of state property. Requires any facility used by the news media that is located on state owned or state leased property to be leased from the state by the news media.

**Effective:** July 1, 1999.

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January 6, 1999, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Policy.  
February 23, 1999, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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First Regular Session 111th General Assembly (1999)

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~~.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state offices and administration.

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 4-20.5-5-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 2. As used in this  
3 chapter, "facility" includes any of the following:

- 4 (1) Office space.  
5 (2) Storage space.  
6 (3) A parking garage or lot.  
7 (4) Other property that can be used by an agency **or the news**  
8 **media.**

9 SECTION 2. IC 4-20.5-5-2.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
10 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
11 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: **Sec. 2.5. As used in this chapter,**  
12 **"news media" means newspapers, magazines, news services,**  
13 **licensed commercial or public television stations, licensed**  
14 **commercial or public radio stations, and other established means**  
15 **of mass communication.**

16 SECTION 3. IC 4-20.5-5-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
17 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 3. The department shall

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1 do the following:

- 2 (1) Establish uniform standards for determining the amount and  
3 type of facilities needed by agencies.  
4 (2) Assign facilities in or on property owned or leased by the  
5 state.  
6 (3) With the approval of the governor, lease facilities for the use  
7 of agencies.  
8 (4) Prepare and make available for public inspection an annual  
9 report of facilities leased for agencies in each county.  
10 **(5) Establish uniform standards for determining the amount**  
11 **and type of facilities that are available for lease by the news**  
12 **media.**  
13 **(6) Lease facilities for the use of the news media.**

14 SECTION 4. IC 4-20.5-5-5.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
15 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
16 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: **Sec. 5.5. (a) Any facility used by the**  
17 **news media that is located on state owned or state leased property**  
18 **must be leased from the state by the news media.**

19 **(b) A representative of a news medium that needs facilities must**  
20 **submit a description of its needs to the department.**

21 **(c) The department shall establish guidelines for the leasing of**  
22 **space to the news media.**

23 SECTION 5. IC 4-20.5-5-6.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
24 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
25 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: **Sec. 6.5. The department shall**  
26 **determine whether a news medium's need for facilities can be met**  
27 **by leasing facilities in or on property owned or leased by the state.**  
28 **If a news medium's need can be met by leasing state controlled**  
29 **property, the department shall approve all or part of the request**  
30 **and enter into a lease.**

31 SECTION 6. IC 4-20.5-5-8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
32 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
33 1, 1999]: **Sec. 8. (a) This section applies to the negotiation and**  
34 **execution of a lease of state owned or state leased property by a**  
35 **news medium.**

36 **(b) After a lease agreement is entered into and set forth in**  
37 **writing, the department shall submit the lease agreement for**  
38 **review by the attorney general. A lease agreement that is:**

- 39 **(1) negotiated;**  
40 **(2) executed by the authorized agents of the state and the**  
41 **lessee; and**  
42 **(3) approved by the attorney general;**



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1     **under this section is a binding contract between the state and the**  
2     **lessee.**

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. President: The Senate Committee on Public Policy, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 157, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill DO PASS.

(Reference is made to Senate Bill 157 as introduced.)

WYSS, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0.

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