
SENATE BILL No. 124

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 12-7-2; IC 12-17.

Synopsis: Early childhood development institute. Establishes the institute for early childhood development. Provides that the institute is governed by a 20 member board appointed by the governor. Establishes the child development associate credential and professional scholarship fund.

Effective: July 1, 2000.

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January 10, 2000, read first time and referred to Committee on Health and Provider Services.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 12-7-2-22, AS AMENDED BY P.L.272-1999,
2 SECTION 10, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2000]: Sec. 22. "Board" means the following:
4 (1) For purposes of IC 12-10-10 and IC 12-10-11, the community
5 and home options to institutional care for the elderly and disabled
6 board established by IC 12-10-11-1.
7 (2) For purposes of 12-12-7-5, the meaning set forth in
8 IC 12-12-7-5(a).
9 (3) For purposes of IC 12-15-35, the meaning set forth in
10 IC 12-15-35-2.
11 (4) For purposes of IC 12-17-2-36, the meaning set forth in
12 IC 12-17-2-36(a).
13 (5) For purposes of IC 12-17-19, the meaning set forth in
14 IC 12-17-19-3.
15 (6) For purposes of IC 12-17-20, the meaning set forth in
16 IC 12-17-20-2.
17 SECTION 2. IC 12-7-2-29.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE



1 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
2 1, 2000]: **Sec. 29.5. "Child development associate credential", for**
3 **purposes of IC 12-17-20, has the meaning set forth in**
4 **IC 12-17-20-3.**

5 SECTION 3. IC 12-7-2-73.8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
6 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
7 1, 2000]: **Sec. 73.8. "Early childhood development" means the**
8 **developmental processes that occur in the brain of a child during**
9 **the child's early years.**

10 SECTION 4. IC 12-7-2-91, AS AMENDED BY P.L.273-1999,
11 SECTION 60 AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.273-1999, SECTION 164,
12 IS AMENDED AND CORRECTED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
13 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2000]: Sec. 91. "Fund" means the following:

14 (1) For purposes of IC 12-12-1-9, the fund described in
15 IC 12-12-1-9.

16 (2) For purposes of IC 12-13-8, the meaning set forth in
17 IC 12-13-8-1.

18 (3) For purposes of IC 12-15-20, the meaning set forth in
19 IC 12-15-20-1.

20 (4) For purposes of IC 12-17-12, the meaning set forth in
21 IC 12-17-12-4.

22 (5) *For purposes of IC 12-17.6, the meaning set forth in*
23 *IC 12-17.6-1-3.*

24 **(6) For purposes of IC 12-17-20, the meaning set forth in**
25 **IC 12-17-20-4.**

26 ~~(5)~~ ~~(6)~~ **(7)** For purposes of IC 12-18-4, the meaning set forth in
27 IC 12-18-4-1.

28 ~~(6)~~ ~~(7)~~ **(8)** For purposes of IC 12-18-5, the meaning set forth in
29 IC 12-18-5-1.

30 ~~(7)~~ ~~(8)~~ *For purposes of IC 12-19-3, the meaning set forth in*
31 *IC 12-19-3-1.*

32 ~~(8)~~ ~~(9)~~ *For purposes of IC 12-19-4, the meaning set forth in*
33 *IC 12-19-4-1.*

34 ~~(9)~~ ~~(10)~~ ~~(7)~~ **(9)** For purposes of IC 12-19-7, the meaning set forth
35 in IC 12-19-7-2.

36 ~~(10)~~ ~~(11)~~ ~~(8)~~ **(10)** For purposes of IC 12-23-2, the meaning set
37 forth in IC 12-23-2-1.

38 ~~(11)~~ ~~(12)~~ ~~(9)~~ **(11)** For purposes of IC 12-24-6, the meaning set
39 forth in IC 12-24-6-1.

40 ~~(12)~~ ~~(13)~~ ~~(10)~~ **(12)** For purposes of IC 12-24-14, the meaning set
41 forth in IC 12-24-14-1.

42 ~~(13)~~ ~~(14)~~ ~~(11)~~ **(13)** For purposes of IC 12-30-7, the meaning set

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1 forth in IC 12-30-7-3.

2 SECTION 5. IC 12-7-2-118.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
3 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
4 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2000]: **Sec. 118.5. "Institute", for purposes**
5 **of IC 12-17-19, has the meaning set forth in IC 12-17-19-4.**

6 SECTION 6. IC 12-7-2-169.7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
7 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
8 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2000]: **Sec. 169.7. "Scholarship", for**
9 **purposes of IC 12-17-20, has the meaning set forth in**
10 **IC 12-17-20-5.**

11 SECTION 7. IC 12-17-19 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
12 AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
13 JULY 1, 2000]:

14 **Chapter 19. Institute for Early Childhood Development**

15 **Sec. 1. (a) The purpose of the institute for early childhood**
16 **development is to increase the leadership and partnership among**
17 **the state, higher education community, local communities,**
18 **businesses, and other public and private entities to:**

- 19 (1) ensure the quality of early childhood services; and
20 (2) promote the healthy development of children from birth
21 to four (4) years of age.

22 **(b) The primary focus of the institute is children from birth**
23 **through four (4) years of age and the developmental processes that**
24 **affect those children, including development in the following areas:**

- 25 (1) Biological characteristics.
26 (2) Physical characteristics.
27 (3) Emotional abilities.
28 (4) Intellectual abilities.
29 (5) Social abilities.

30 **Sec. 2. The goals of the institute are as follows:**

- 31 (1) To support responsible parenting.
32 (2) To promote children's health and protection.
33 (3) To promote quality child care and early education.

34 **Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "board" refers to the board of**
35 **directors of the institute for early childhood development**
36 **established by section 7 of this chapter.**

37 **Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "institute" refers to the institute**
38 **for early childhood development established by section 6 of this**
39 **chapter.**

40 **Sec. 5. (a) The office of the secretary shall carry out this**
41 **chapter.**

42 **(b) The office of the secretary, in coordination with a review**

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1 committee appointed by the governor, shall select a public or
2 private university or college in Indiana to host the institute.

3 **Sec. 6. The institute for early childhood development is**
4 **established.**

5 **Sec. 7. (a) The board of directors of the institute is established.**

6 **(b) The board shall oversee the activities of the institute.**

7 **(c) The board consists of the following members appointed by**
8 **the governor:**

9 **(1) Two (2) members who represent the medical field.**

10 **(2) One (1) member who represents the field of child welfare.**

11 **(3) Two (2) members who represent the field of child care.**

12 **(4) Two (2) members who represent the field of elementary**
13 **education.**

14 **(5) One (1) member who represents the field of developmental**
15 **services for children with special needs.**

16 **(6) One (1) member who represents the field of child**
17 **advocacy.**

18 **(7) Two (2) members who are parents of children less than**
19 **five (5) years of age.**

20 **(8) Eight (8) members who are representatives of Indiana**
21 **universities and colleges that have a curriculum focusing on**
22 **early childhood development.**

23 **One (1) individual who represents the building bright beginnings**
24 **work group shall be appointed to the board as a nonvoting**
25 **advisory member of the board.**

26 **(d) Board members serve at the pleasure of the governor.**

27 **(e) The board shall annually elect one (1) member to be the**
28 **chair.**

29 **(f) Each board member who is not a state employee is entitled**
30 **to the minimum salary per diem provided by IC 4-10-11-2.1(b).**
31 **The member is also entitled to reimbursement for traveling**
32 **expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses**
33 **actually incurred in connection with the member's duties as**
34 **provided in the state policies and procedures established by the**
35 **Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget**
36 **agency.**

37 **(g) Each board member who is a state employee is entitled to**
38 **reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under**
39 **IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection**
40 **with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and**
41 **procedures established by the Indiana department of**
42 **administration and approved by the budget agency.**



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1 (h) The university or college selected to host the institute shall
2 provide staff to the board.

3 **Sec. 8. The role of the institute is as follows:**

4 (1) To analyze, correlate, evaluate, and synthesize national,
5 state, and local research.

6 (2) To work with state and local advisory and provider
7 groups, networks, community organizations, and other
8 related support services in the fields of early childhood
9 development, including:

10 (A) child care and early education;

11 (B) health care and protection; and

12 (C) parenting networks;

13 to improve the service system for young children.

14 (3) To convert research into action by:

15 (A) discussing and disseminating the best practices in
16 providing services;

17 (B) applying research to curriculum and training
18 processes;

19 (C) providing information on research implications for
20 public policy development and state planning; and

21 (D) convening experts to present the latest research on
22 early childhood development through an annual
23 conference.

24 (4) To promote results by working with providers in the fields
25 of:

26 (A) child care and early education;

27 (B) health care and protection; and

28 (C) parenting networks;

29 to provide better services to families, caregivers, and other
30 persons and professionals who directly affect a young child's
31 life.

32 (5) To evaluate, assess, and review current services for quality
33 and effectiveness.

34 **Sec. 9. The office of the secretary may adopt rules under
35 IC 4-22-2 to implement this chapter.**

36 SECTION 8. IC 12-17-20 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
37 AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
38 JULY 1, 2000]:

39 **Chapter 20. Child Development Associate Credential and
40 Professional Development Scholarship Fund**

41 **Sec. 1. The general assembly finds that there is a shortage of
42 professionally trained caregivers in Indiana. To alleviate the**

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1 shortage, the goals of the scholarship awarded under this chapter
2 are as follows:

- 3 (1) To encourage and promote qualified individuals to pursue
4 a career in child care.
5 (2) To increase the knowledge and training of child care
6 caregivers.
7 (3) To assist in paying for training and assessment toward a
8 child development associate credential.

9 Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "board" refers to the board of
10 directors of the Indiana Child Care Fund, Inc. created by
11 Executive Order 98-27.

12 Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "child development associate
13 credential" refers to a nationally recognized entry level education
14 certification for early childhood development caregivers.

15 Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "fund" refers to the child
16 development associate credential and professional scholarship fund
17 established by section 6 of this chapter.

18 Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "scholarship" refers to the child
19 development associate credential and professional scholarship
20 awarded under section 7 of this chapter.

21 Sec. 6. (a) The child development associate credential and
22 professional development scholarship fund is established.

23 (b) The fund consists of:

- 24 (1) appropriations made by the general assembly;
25 (2) contributions made by corporations or foundations; and
26 (3) gifts, grants, devises, or bequests made to the fund.

27 (c) The office of the secretary, in cooperation with the board,
28 shall administer the fund.

29 (d) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not
30 currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same
31 manner as other public funds may be invested.

32 (e) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not
33 revert to the state general fund.

34 Sec. 7. The office of the secretary, in cooperation with the board,
35 shall annually award a scholarship to individuals who:

36 (1) are providing care in a:

- 37 (A) child care center licensed under IC 12-17.2-4;
38 (B) child care home licensed under IC 12-17.2-5; or
39 (C) child care ministry licensed or registered under
40 IC 12-17.2-6;

41 (2) agree in writing to work as child care providers in a child
42 care setting described under subdivision (1) in Indiana for at

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1 **least one (1) year following completion of the training;**
2 **(3) demonstrate a financial need for the scholarship;**
3 **(4) are:**
4 **(A) at least eighteen (18) years of age; and**
5 **(B) residents of the state;**
6 **(5) have a high school diploma or equivalent; and**
7 **(6) meet any other minimum criteria established by the office**
8 **of the secretary.**
9 **Sec. 8. The office of the secretary may adopt rules under**
10 **IC 4-22-2 to implement this chapter.**

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