
HOUSE BILL No. 1136

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 20-6.1-5-2.5.

Synopsis: Teacher compensation. Provides a method to allow school corporations to count the number of course work credit hours and the graduate degrees attributable to individual teachers for purposes of providing teachers' salaries, compensation, and other benefits. Provides equivalent salary, compensation, and benefits for teachers who hold master's degrees and teachers who have 36 hours of credit in course work approved by the professional standards board for license renewal purposes.

Effective: July 1, 2000.

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January 10, 2000, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.

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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 1999 General Assembly.

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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 20-6.1-5-2.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
2 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2000]: **Sec. 2.5. (a) For school corporations**
4 **where teacher salaries, compensation, and other benefits are**
5 **determined under a contract reached through collective bargaining**
6 **under IC 20-7.5, this section applies to teacher salaries,**
7 **compensation, and other benefits under collective bargaining**
8 **contracts that are executed and take effect after July 1, 2000.**

9 (b) For purposes of determining teachers' salaries,
10 compensation, and other benefits, a school corporation:

11 (1) shall count in the number of hours of credit attributable to
12 an individual teacher all hours of credit beyond an
13 undergraduate degree that the teacher earns in courses that
14 the board approves as suitable courses for license renewal
15 purposes;

16 (2) may elect to count in the number of hours of credit
17 attributable to an individual teacher any hours of credit



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- 1 beyond an undergraduate degree that the teacher earns in
 2 courses that are not approved by the board as suitable courses
 3 for license renewal purposes;
 4 (3) shall recognize a graduate degree that a teacher earns if
 5 the board approves the graduate degree as a suitable graduate
 6 degree for license renewal purposes;
 7 (4) may elect to recognize a graduate degree that a teacher
 8 earns if the graduate degree is not approved by the board as
 9 a suitable graduate degree for license renewal purposes;
 10 (5) shall recognize as equivalent:
 11 (A) a teacher who earns a master's degree; and
 12 (B) a teacher who earns thirty-six (36) hours of credit
 13 beyond an undergraduate degree with courses that the
 14 board approves as suitable courses for license renewal
 15 purposes;
 16 (6) may elect to recognize as equivalent:
 17 (A) a teacher who earns a master's degree; and
 18 (B) a teacher who earns thirty-six (36) hours of credit
 19 beyond an undergraduate degree with courses that are not
 20 approved by the board as suitable courses for license
 21 renewal purposes;
 22 (7) shall count in the number of hours of credit attributable to
 23 an individual teacher all hours of credit beyond:
 24 (A) a master's degree; or
 25 (B) thirty-six (36) hours of credit beyond an undergraduate
 26 degree;
 27 in courses that the board approves as suitable courses for
 28 license renewal purposes; and
 29 (8) may elect to count in the number of hours of credit
 30 attributable to an individual teacher any hours of credit
 31 beyond:
 32 (A) a master's degree; or
 33 (B) thirty-six (36) hours of credit beyond an undergraduate
 34 degree;
 35 in courses that are not approved by the board as suitable
 36 courses for license renewal purposes.

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