

# HOUSE BILL No. 1220

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 20-10.1-16-8.

**Synopsis:** Graduation examinations. Prohibits the inclusion in the ISTEP graduation examination of questions that are used only to allow comparison of a student's achievement with national and international academic standards.

**Effective:** July 1, 2000.

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

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Introduced

Second Regular Session 111th General Assembly (2000)

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 20-10.1-16-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.193-1999,  
2 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3 JULY 1, 2000]: Sec. 8. (a) The state superintendent shall develop an  
4 ISTEP program testing schedule in which:  
5 (1) each student in grades 3, 6, 8, and 10 must be tested; and  
6 (2) each student in grade 10 must take a graduation examination.  
7 The board shall adopt rules to establish when a student is considered  
8 to be in grade 10 for purposes of initially taking the graduation  
9 examination.  
10 (b) A student who is a child with a disability (as defined in  
11 IC 20-1-6-1) shall be tested under this chapter with appropriate  
12 accommodations in testing materials and procedures unless the  
13 individuals who develop the child's individualized education program  
14 determine that testing under this chapter, or a part of the testing, is not  
15 appropriate for the student and that an alternate assessment will be  
16 used to test the student's achievement.  
17 (c) Any decision with regard to a student who is a child with a



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1 disability (as defined in IC 20-1-6-1) to participate in testing under this  
2 chapter, to receive accommodations in testing materials and  
3 procedures, to participate in remediation under IC 20-10.1-17, or to be  
4 retained at the same grade level for consecutive school years shall be  
5 made in accordance with the child's individualized education program,  
6 subject to the ISTEP program manual, and federal law.

7 **(d) Notwithstanding section 5(b)(3) of this chapter, a graduation**  
8 **examination under this section must not include questions that are**  
9 **used only to allow comparison of a student's achievement with**  
10 **national and international academic standards.**

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