HOUSE BILL No. 1040

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: Numerous citations throughout the Indiana Code.

Synopsis: Technical corrections bill. Corrects various technical problems in the Indiana Code and in noncode provisions. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the code revision commission.)

Effective: Upon passage.

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January 4, 2006, read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

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Introduced

Second Regular Session 114th General Assembly (2006)

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 2005 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning general provisions.

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

SECTION 1. IC 3-7-13-12, AS AMENDED BY P.L.81-2005, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. ~~(a)~~ Except as otherwise provided in this article, if a county voter registration office receives a properly completed registration application during a time other than the registration period described in section 10 of this chapter, the county voter registration office shall enter the data from the application into the computerized list and designate the application as pending in the same manner as other applications received while the registration period was open are designated as pending under IC 3-7-33-5. However, the county voter registration office shall ensure that:

(1) the notice required under IC 3-7-33-5 is not mailed to the applicant before the first day that the registration period reopens; and

(2) the registration information provided by the applicant does not appear on any certified list of voters or certificate of error issued under this article.

~~(b) If an individual does not have a driver's license issued under IC 9-24-11, the individual must provide the last four (4) digits of the individual's Social Security number when the individual registers to vote, as provided under 42 U.S.C. 15483.~~

~~(c) This subsection applies after December 31, 2005. As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, if an individual does not have a Social Security number, the election division shall assign the individual a number to be associated with the individual's registration in the computerized list maintained under IC 3-7-26.3. If the individual has an identification card number issued under IC 9-24-16, the election division shall assign that number as the voter's number under this subsection. If the individual does not have an identification card number issued under IC 9-24-16, the election division shall assign a unique identifying number to the voter's registration record in the computerized list, as provided under 42 U.S.C. 15483.~~

~~(d) The number provided by the individual under subsection (a) or (b), or the number assigned to the individual under subsection (c), is the individual's voter identification number.~~

~~(e) A voter's voter identification number may not be changed unless:~~

~~(1) the voter made an error when providing the number when registering to vote;~~

~~(2) the election division or a county voter registration office made an error when entering the number into the computerized list under IC 3-7-26.3;~~

~~(3) the voter obtains or provides a driver's license number under IC 9-24-11 or a Social Security number after the voter was assigned a number under subsection (c); or~~

~~(4) the voter ceases to have a driver's license number under IC 9-24-11 after the voter provided that number under subsection (a).~~

~~(f) If a voter transfers the voter's registration and the voter's voter identification number is not included in the voter's registration records, the voter registration officer of the county in which the voter's registration is to be transferred shall require the voter to provide the number required by subsection (a) or (b) before the voter's registration is transferred. If after December 31, 2005, the voter does not have either of the numbers described in subsection (a) or (b), a voter identification number shall be assigned to the voter under subsection (c).~~

SECTION 2. IC 3-7-13-13 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 13. (a) Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c), when an individual registers to

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vote, the individual must provide the individual's driver's license number issued under IC 9-24-11 as provided under 42 U.S.C. 15483.

(b) If an individual does not have a driver's license issued under IC 9-24-11, the individual must provide the last four (4) digits of the individual's Social Security number when the individual registers to vote, as provided under 42 U.S.C. 15483.

(c) ~~This subsection applies after December 31, 2005.~~ As required under 42 U.S.C. 15483, if an individual does not have a Social Security number, the election division shall assign the individual a number to be associated with the individual's registration in the computerized list maintained under IC 3-7-26.3. If the individual has an identification card number issued under IC 9-24-16, the election division shall assign that number as the voter's number under this subsection. If the individual does not have an identification card number issued under IC 9-24-16, the election division shall assign a unique identifying number to the voter's registration record in the computerized list, as provided under 42 U.S.C. 15483.

(d) The number provided by the individual under subsection (a) or (b), or the number assigned to the individual under subsection (c), is the individual's voter identification number.

(e) A voter's voter identification number may not be changed unless:

(1) the voter made an error when providing the number when registering to vote;

(2) the election division or a county voter registration office made an error when entering the number into the computerized list under IC 3-7-26.3;

(3) the voter obtains or provides a driver's license number under IC 9-24-11 or a Social Security number after the voter was assigned a number under subsection (c); or

(4) the voter ceases to have a driver's license number under IC 9-24-11 after the voter provided that number under subsection (a).

(f) If a voter transfers the voter's registration and the voter's voter identification number is not included in the voter's registration records, the voter registration officer of the county in which the voter's registration is to be transferred shall require the voter to provide the number required by subsection (a) or (b) before the voter's registration is transferred. If ~~after December 31, 2005,~~ the voter does not have either of the numbers described in subsection (a) or (b), a voter identification number shall be assigned to the voter under subsection (c).

SECTION 3. IC 3-8-3-9, AS AMENDED BY P.L.230-2005,

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SECTION 26, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.221-2005, SECTION 14, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. (a) Each circuit court clerk shall, not later than noon *on the second* Monday after the day the primary election is held, send to the election division by certified mail or hand delivery one (1) complete copy of all returns for presidential candidates. The clerk shall state the number of votes received by each candidate in each congressional district within the county.

(b) ~~*The*~~ *A* statement described in subsection (a) may be sent by using the computerized list established under IC 3-7-26.3. A statement sent under this ~~*subsection*~~ *section* complies with any requirement for the statement to be certified or sealed.

SECTION 4. IC 3-10-4-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.230-2005, SECTION 41, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) The names of the candidates of:

(1) a political party;

(2) a group of petitioners under IC 3-8-6; or

(3) a write-in candidate for the office of President or Vice President of the United States under IC 3-8-2-2.5;

for electors of President and Vice President of the United States may not be placed on the ballot.

(b) The names of the nominees for President and Vice President of the United States of each political party or group of petitioners shall be placed:

(1) in one (1) column on the ballot if paper ballots are used; ~~or~~

(2) either:

(A) grouped together on a separate screen; or

(B) grouped together below the names of the offices as specified in IC 3-11-14-3.5;

if an electronic voting system is used; or

~~(4)~~ **(3)** grouped together below the names of the offices as specified in IC 3-11-13-11 if a ballot card is used.

(c) The ballot must permit a voter to cast a ballot for a write-in candidate for the office of President or Vice President of the United States in the manner provided under IC 3-11-2-6.

SECTION 5. IC 3-11-4-5.1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.103-2005, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5.1. (a) The commission shall prescribe the form of an application for an absentee ballot.

(b) This subsection does not apply to the form for an absentee ballot application to be submitted by an absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter that contains a standardized oath for those voters. The

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form of the application for an absentee ballot must do all of the following:

(1) Require the applicant to swear to or affirm under the penalties of perjury that all of the information set forth on the application is true to the best of the applicant's knowledge and belief.

(2) Require a person who assisted with the completion of the application to swear to or affirm under the penalties of perjury the statements set forth in ~~section 2(c)~~ **section 2(f)** of this chapter.

(3) Set forth the penalties for perjury.

(c) The form prescribed by the commission shall require that a voter who:

(1) requests an absentee ballot; and

(2) is eligible to vote in the precinct under IC 3-10-11 or IC 3-10-12;

must include the affidavit required by IC 3-10-11 or a written affirmation described in IC 3-10-12.

SECTION 6. IC 4-1-8-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.246-2005, SECTION 37, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) No individual may be compelled by any state agency, board, commission, department, bureau, or other entity of state government (referred to as "state agency" in this chapter) to provide the individual's Social Security number to the state agency against the individual's will, absent federal requirements to the contrary. However, the provisions of this chapter do not apply to the following:

(1) Department of state revenue.

(2) Department of workforce development.

(3) The programs administered by:

(A) the division of family and children;

(B) the division of mental health and addiction;

(C) the division of disability, aging, and rehabilitative services; and

(D) the office of Medicaid policy and planning;

of the office of the secretary of family and social services.

(4) Auditor of state.

(5) State personnel department.

(6) Secretary of state, with respect to the registration of broker-dealers, agents, and investment advisors.

(7) The legislative ethics commission, with respect to the registration of lobbyists.

(8) Indiana department of administration, with respect to bidders on contracts.

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(9) Indiana department of transportation, with respect to bidders on contracts.

~~(10) Health professions bureau.~~

~~(11)~~ **(10)** Indiana professional licensing agency.

~~(12)~~ **(11)** Department of insurance, with respect to licensing of insurance producers.

~~(13)~~ **(12)** A pension fund administered by the board of trustees of the public employees' retirement fund.

~~(14)~~ **(13)** The Indiana state teachers' retirement fund.

~~(15)~~ **(14)** The state police benefit system.

~~(16)~~ **(15)** The alcohol and tobacco commission.

(b) The bureau of motor vehicles may, notwithstanding this chapter, require the following:

(1) That an individual include the individual's Social Security number in an application for an official certificate of title for any vehicle required to be titled under IC 9-17.

(2) That an individual include the individual's Social Security number on an application for registration.

(3) That a corporation, limited liability company, firm, partnership, or other business entity include its federal tax identification number on an application for registration.

(c) The Indiana department of administration, the Indiana department of transportation, ~~the health professions bureau,~~ and the Indiana professional licensing agency may require an employer to provide its federal employer identification number.

(d) The department of correction may require a committed offender to provide the offender's Social Security number for purposes of matching data with the Social Security Administration to determine benefit eligibility.

(e) The Indiana gaming commission may, notwithstanding this chapter, require the following:

(1) That an individual include the individual's Social Security number in any application for a riverboat owner's license, supplier's license, or occupational license.

(2) That a sole proprietorship, a partnership, an association, a fiduciary, a corporation, a limited liability company, or any other business entity include its federal tax identification number on an application for a riverboat owner's license or supplier's license.

(f) Notwithstanding this chapter, the department of education established by IC 20-19-3-1 may require an individual who applies to the department for a license or an endorsement to provide the individual's Social Security number. The Social Security number may

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be used by the department only for conducting a background investigation, if the department is authorized by statute to conduct a background investigation of an individual for issuance of the license or endorsement.

SECTION 7. IC 4-1-11-10, AS ADDED BY P.L.91-2005, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. If a state agency is required to provide notice under this ~~section~~ **chapter** to more than one thousand (1,000) individuals, the state agency shall notify without unreasonable delay all consumer reporting agencies (as defined in 15 U.S.C. 1681a) of the distribution and content of the notice.

SECTION 8. IC 4-4-2.5-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. ~~(a)~~ In all cases where the lieutenant governor is a member of a state agency, committee, division, board, authority, or other organization created by law, the lieutenant governor may designate another individual to serve on the agency, committee, division, board, authority, or organization in place of the lieutenant governor as a member for all purposes. A designation under this section becomes effective when filed in the official records of the agency, committee, division, board, authority, or organization and remains in effect until the designation lapses in accordance with its terms.

~~(b) Whenever an employee of the department of commerce is made a member of a board, commission, or committee, such employee shall mean the lieutenant governor or the lieutenant governor's designee.~~

SECTION 9. IC 4-4-3.2-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) As used in this chapter, ~~"commissioner"~~ **"department"** means the ~~commissioner~~ **department** of agriculture.

(b) As used in this chapter, "livestock" includes but is not limited to the following:

(1) Beef cattle, dairy cattle, and other animals of the bovine species.
(2) Swine and other animals of the porcine species.
(3) Sheep and other members of the ovine species.
(4) Horses, mules, burros, asses, and other animals of the equine species.
(5) Goats and other members of the caprine species.
(6) Poultry and other birds of the avian species.
(7) Ostriches, rhea, emus, and other members of the ratite species.
(8) Camels, llamas, and other members of the camelid species.
(9) Farm raised deer, elk, moose, and other members of the

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cervidae species.

(10) Bison.

(11) Aquatic animals that are the subject of aquaculture.

(12) Rabbits.

SECTION 10. IC 4-4-3.2-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. The ~~commissioner~~ **department** shall aid, encourage, foster, and promote the development and improvement of the livestock industry throughout Indiana.

SECTION 11. IC 4-4-3.2-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. (a) The livestock industry promotion and development fund (referred to as the "fund" in this chapter) is established as a dedicated fund to be administered by the ~~commissioner.~~ **department.**

(b) The money in the fund must be spent by the ~~commissioner.~~ **department:**

(1) exclusively for the purposes described in this chapter, including administrative expenses; and

(2) throughout Indiana.

(c) No portion of the fund shall revert to the **state** general fund ~~of the state~~ at the end of a fiscal year. However, if the fund is abolished, its contents shall revert to the **state** general fund. ~~of the state.~~

(d) There is annually appropriated to the ~~commissioner~~ **department** the entire amount of money in the fund for the use of the ~~commissioner~~ **department** in carrying out the purposes of this chapter.

SECTION 12. IC 4-4-3.2-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. The ~~commissioner~~ **department** may make grants from the fund to associations or organizations for the following purposes:

(1) To conduct or support livestock industry shows, sales, expositions, conventions, or similar events throughout Indiana consistent with the purposes of this chapter.

(2) To support expanding markets for Indiana livestock producers by encouraging the development of business and industry related to livestock production, processing, and distribution.

SECTION 13. IC 4-4-3.2-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. An association or organization may not qualify for or be eligible to receive any part of the fund to be awarded as ~~premiums~~ **grants** unless there is provided and made available from sources other than the fund an amount for ~~premiums~~ **grants** equal to or in excess of that allocated from the fund under this chapter. Funds approved and designated by the

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~~commissioner~~ **department** for purposes other than ~~premium~~ **grant** awards are exempt from the matching fund requirements for ~~premium~~ **grant** awards.

SECTION 14. IC 4-4-3.2-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. The ~~commissioner~~ **department** may ~~develop and promulgate~~ **adopt** rules ~~and regulations pursuant to~~ **under** IC 4-22-2 to carry out the provisions of this chapter.

SECTION 15. IC 4-4-3.3-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, ~~"commissioner"~~ **"director"** means the ~~commissioner of agriculture.~~ **director of the department of agriculture.**

SECTION 16. IC 4-4-3.3-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. The ~~commissioner shall have the responsibility~~ **director is responsible** for foreign market promotion for agricultural products.

SECTION 17. IC 4-4-3.3-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. Within the limit of funds specifically appropriated for that purpose, the ~~commissioner~~ **director** may establish and maintain offices in foreign countries for the purpose of promoting international markets for Indiana agricultural products.

SECTION 18. IC 4-4-3.3-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. Within the limit of funds specifically appropriated for that purpose, the ~~commissioner~~ **director** may operate livestock export inspection facilities meeting the requirements of the United States Department of Agriculture for livestock inspection prior to export shipments.

SECTION 19. IC 4-4-3.3-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. The ~~commissioner~~ **director** may establish and collect fair and reasonable livestock inspection fees ~~related~~ to **cover** the cost of administering livestock export facilities.

SECTION 20. IC 4-4-3.3-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. The livestock export facility administration fund is established as a dedicated fund to be administered by the ~~commissioner.~~ **director.** All fees collected under section 5 of this chapter shall be deposited in the fund. The ~~monies~~ **money** in the fund may be spent by the ~~commissioner~~ **director** exclusively for the purposes described in this chapter. No portion of the fund shall revert to the **state** general fund ~~of the state~~ at the end of a fiscal year. However, if the fund is abolished, its contents shall revert

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to the **state** general fund. ~~of the state.~~

SECTION 21. IC 4-4-3.4-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. The ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture shall establish a center for value added research to perform the following duties:

(1) ~~Developing~~ **Develop** a strategic assessment of the Indiana agricultural industries and ~~establishing~~ **establish** targeted priorities for industry expansion.

(2) ~~Developing~~ **Develop** recommendations for legislative and administrative programs that will enhance economic development in the targeted agricultural industries.

(3) Identify and prioritize research development and educational needs for expanding value added opportunities in Indiana.

(4) ~~Establishing~~ **Establish** cooperative industry research and development initiatives that lead to new agricultural industry opportunities in Indiana.

(5) ~~Serving~~ **Serve** as a resource for industry in the planning, promotion, and development of value added agricultural products and agricultural industry opportunities in Indiana, including product feasibility, market feasibility, economic feasibility, product development, product testing, and test marketing.

(6) ~~Serving~~ **Serve** as a resource for industry and **the** state ~~government~~ in attracting value added agricultural industry to Indiana.

(7) ~~Developing~~ **Develop** private sector research funding and technology transfer programs commensurate with the state's targeted agricultural industry economic development objectives.

(8) ~~Providing~~ **Provide** a forum for continuing dialogue between industry, government, and researchers in addressing the needs and opportunities for expanding the value added agricultural industry.

SECTION 22. IC 4-4-3.4-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. To carry out the duties described in section 1 of this chapter, the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture, acting for and on behalf of the center for value added research, may:

(1) organize the center in the manner necessary to implement this chapter;

(2) execute contractual agreements, including contracts for:

(A) the operation of the center;

(B) the performance of any of the duties described in section 1 of this chapter;

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(C) the services of an executive director to serve as the chief operating officer of the center; and

(D) any other services necessary to carry out the duties described in section 1 of this chapter;

(3) receive money from any source;

(4) expend money for an activity appropriate to the purposes of this chapter;

(5) execute agreements and cooperate with:

(A) any other state or federal department or agency;

(B) political subdivisions located in Indiana;

(C) any private person or corporation; or

(D) colleges and universities located in Indiana; and

(6) subject to the approval of the budget agency, employ personnel as necessary for the efficient administration of this chapter.

SECTION 23. IC 4-4-3.4-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) The value added research fund is established for the purpose of providing money for:

(1) the center for value added research; and

(2) the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture to carry out the duties specified under this chapter.

The fund shall be administered by the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture.

(b) The fund consists of money appropriated by the general assembly.

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

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

SECTION 24. IC 4-4-3.8-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. The ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture shall do the following:

(1) Organize and develop an information and market research center for aquaculture.

(2) Instigate the formation of a market and development plan for the aquaculture industry.

(3) Encourage the development and growth of aquaculture.

SECTION 25. IC 4-4-9.3-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.83-2005, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE

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UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. (a) The rural development administration advisory board is established to make recommendations concerning the expenditure of money from the fund.

(b) The advisory board shall meet at least four (4) times per year and shall also meet at the call of the executive director of the rural development council.

(c) The advisory board consists of the following members:

(1) The executive director of the Indiana rural development council, who serves as an ex officio member and as the chairperson of the advisory board.

(2) Two (2) members of the senate, who may not be members of the same political party, and who are appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate.

(3) Two (2) members of the house of representatives, who may not be members of the same political party, and who are appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

(4) The secretary of agriculture and rural development or the secretary's designee.

(5) A representative of the ~~department of commerce,~~ **Indiana economic development corporation,** to be appointed by the governor.

(6) A representative of the department of workforce development, to be appointed by the governor.

(7) Two (2) persons with knowledge and experience in state and regional economic needs, to be appointed by the governor.

(8) A representative of a local rural economic development organization, to be appointed by the governor.

(9) A representative of a small town or rural community, to be appointed by the governor.

(10) A representative of the rural development council, to be appointed by the governor.

(11) A representative of rural education, to be appointed by the governor.

(12) A representative of the league of regional conservation and development districts, to be appointed by the governor.

(13) A person currently enrolled in rural secondary education, to be appointed by the governor.

(d) The members of the advisory board listed in subsection (c)(1) through (c)(3) are nonvoting members.

(e) The term of office of a legislative member of the advisory board is four (4) years. However, a legislative member of the advisory board ceases to be a member if the member:

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(1) is no longer a member of the chamber from which the member was appointed; or

(2) is removed from the advisory board by the appointing authority who appointed the legislator.

(f) The term of office of a voting member of the advisory board is four (4) years. However, these members serve at the pleasure of the governor and may be removed for any reason.

(g) If a vacancy exists on the advisory board, the appointing authority who appointed the former member whose position has become vacant shall appoint an individual to fill the vacancy for the balance of the unexpired term.

(h) Six (6) voting members of the advisory board constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting of the advisory board. The affirmative vote of at least six (6) voting members is necessary for the advisory board to take action.

SECTION 26. IC 4-4-10.9-1.2, AS ADDED BY P.L.235-2005, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1.2. "Affected statutes" means all statutes that grant a power to or impose a duty on the authority, including but not limited to IC 4-4-11, **IC 4-4-11.4,** IC 4-4-21, IC 4-13.5, IC 8-1-33, IC 8-9.5, IC 8-14.5, IC 8-15, IC 8-16, IC 13-18-13, IC 13-18-21, IC 13-19-5, IC 14-14, and IC 15-7-5.

SECTION 27. IC 4-4-11-2.5, AS ADDED BY P.L.235-2005, SECTION 8, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2.5. (a) The general assembly makes the following findings of fact in addition to those set forth in section 2 of this chapter:

(1) There are currently numerous bodies corporate and politic of the state, with separate decision making and borrowing authority, that may issue bonds, notes, **and** obligations, and otherwise access the financial markets.

(2) Consolidation of this decision making and borrowing authority may provide economic efficiencies and management synergies and enable the state to communicate, with a single voice, with the various participants in the financial markets, including credit rating agencies, investment bankers, investors, and municipal bond insurers and other credit enhancers.

(b) In addition to the purposes set forth in section 2 of this chapter, the authority is established for the purpose of permitting the consolidation of certain bodies in a single body of decision making concerning access to the capital and financial markets in the name of, or for the benefit of, the state.

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(c) The authority is authorized to carry out the public purposes provided for in the affected statutes through a single entity in order to achieve the purposes of this section.

SECTION 28. IC 4-4-11-15, AS AMENDED BY P.L.232-2005, SECTION 3, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.235-2005, SECTION 19, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 15. (a) The authority is granted all powers necessary or appropriate to carry out and effectuate its public and corporate purposes under ~~*this chapter, IC 4-4-21, and IC 15-7-5,*~~ *the affected statutes,* including but not limited to the following:

(1) Have perpetual succession as a body politic and corporate and an independent instrumentality exercising essential public functions.

(2) Without complying with IC 4-22-2, adopt, amend, and repeal bylaws, rules, *guidelines,* and ~~*regulations*~~ *policies* not inconsistent with ~~*this chapter, IC 4-4-21, and IC 15-7-5,*~~ *the affected statutes,* and necessary or convenient to regulate its affairs and to carry into effect the powers, duties, and purposes of the authority and conduct its business *under the affected statutes. These bylaws, rules, guidelines, and policies must be made by a resolution of the authority introduced at one (1) meeting and approved at a subsequent meeting of the authority.*

(3) Sue and be sued in its own name.

(4) Have an official seal and alter it at will.

(5) Maintain an office or offices at a place or places within the state as it may designate.

(6) Make, ~~*and*~~ execute, *and enforce* contracts and all other instruments necessary, ~~*or*~~ convenient, *or desirable* for the ~~*performance of its duties and the exercise of its powers and functions under this chapter, IC 4-4-21, and IC 15-7-5.*~~ *purposes of the authority or pertaining to:*

(A) a purchase, acquisition, or sale of securities or other investments; or

(B) the performance of the authority's duties and execution of any of the authority's powers under the affected statutes.

(7) Employ architects, engineers, attorneys, inspectors, accountants, agriculture experts, silviculture experts, aquaculture experts, and financial experts, and such other advisors, consultants, and agents as may be necessary in its judgment and to fix their compensation.

(8) Procure insurance against any loss in connection with its

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property and other assets, including loans and loan notes in amounts and from insurers as it may consider advisable.

(9) Borrow money, make guaranties, issue bonds, and otherwise incur indebtedness for any of the authority's purposes, and issue debentures, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness, whether secured or unsecured, to any person, as provided by ~~this chapter, IC 4-4-21, IC 4-4-11.4 and IC 15-7-5,~~ *the affected statutes. Notwithstanding any other law, the:*

(A) issuance by the authority of any indebtedness that establishes a procedure for the authority or a person acting on behalf of the authority to certify to the general assembly the amount needed to restore a debt service reserve fund or another fund to required levels; or

(B) execution by the authority of any other agreement that creates a moral obligation of the state to pay all or part of any indebtedness issued by the authority;

is subject to review by the budget committee and approval by the budget director.

(10) Procure insurance or guaranties from any public or private entities, including any department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States, for payment of any bonds issued by the authority or for reinsurance on amounts paid from the industrial development project guaranty fund, including the power to pay premiums on any insurance or reinsurance.

(11) Purchase, receive, take by grant, gift, devise, bequest, or otherwise, and accept, from any source, aid or contributions of money, property, labor, or other things of value to be held, used, and applied to carry out the purposes of ~~this chapter, IC 4-4-21, and IC 15-7-5,~~ *the affected statutes,* subject to the conditions upon which the grants or contributions are made, including but not limited to gifts or grants from any department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States, and lease or otherwise acquire, own, hold, improve, employ, use, and otherwise deal in and with real or personal property or any interest in real or personal property, wherever situated, for any purpose consistent with ~~this chapter, IC 4-4-21, or IC 15-7-5,~~ *the affected statutes.*

(12) Enter into agreements with any department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States or this state and with lenders and enter into loan agreements, sales contracts, and leases with contracting parties, including *participants (as defined in IC 13-11-2-151.1) for any purpose permitted under IC 13-18-13 or IC 13-18-21,* borrowers, lenders, developers, or users, for the

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purpose of planning, regulating, and providing for the financing and refinancing of any agricultural enterprise (as defined in IC 15-7-4.9-2), rural development project (as defined in IC 15-7-4.9-19.5), industrial development project, *purpose permitted under IC 13-18-13 and IC 13-18-21,* or international exports, and distribute data and information concerning the encouragement and improvement of agricultural enterprises and agricultural employment, rural development projects, industrial development projects, international exports, and other types of employment in the state undertaken with the assistance of the authority under this chapter.

(13) Enter into contracts or agreements with lenders and lessors for the servicing and processing of loans and leases pursuant to ~~*this chapter, IC 4-4-21, and IC 15-7-5,*~~ *the affected statutes.*

(14) Provide technical assistance to local public bodies and to profit and nonprofit entities in the development or operation of agricultural enterprises, rural development projects, and industrial development projects.

(15) To the extent permitted under its contract with the holders of the bonds of the authority, consent to any modification with respect to the rate of interest, time, and payment of any installment of principal or interest, or any other term of any contract, loan, loan note, loan note commitment, contract, lease, or agreement of any kind to which the authority is a party.

(16) To the extent permitted under its contract with the holders of bonds of the authority, enter into contracts with any lender containing provisions enabling it to reduce the rental or carrying charges to persons unable to pay the regular schedule of charges when, by reason of other income or payment by any department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States of America or of this state, the reduction can be made without jeopardizing the economic stability of the agricultural enterprise, rural development project, or industrial development project being financed.

(17) *Notwithstanding IC 5-13, but subject to the requirements of any trust agreement entered into by the authority,* invest: ~~*any funds not needed for immediate disbursement, including any funds held in reserve, in direct and general obligations of or obligations fully and unconditionally guaranteed by the United States, obligations issued by agencies of the United States, obligations of this state, or any obligations or securities which may from time to time be legally purchased by governmental*~~

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~~*subdivisions of this state pursuant to IC 5-13, or any obligations or securities which are permitted investments for bond proceeds or any construction, debt service, or reserve funds secured under the trust indenture or resolution pursuant to which bonds are issued.*~~

(A) the authority's money, funds, and accounts;

(B) any money, funds, and accounts in the authority's custody; and

(C) proceeds of bonds or notes;

in the manner provided by an investment policy established by resolution of the authority.

(18) *Fix and revise periodically, and charge and* collect, fees and charges as the authority determines to be reasonable in connection with: ~~*its*~~

(A) the authority's loans, guarantees, advances, insurance, commitments, and servicing; *and*

(B) the use of the authority's services or facilities.

(19) Cooperate and exchange services, personnel, and information with any federal, state, or local government agency, or instrumentality of the United States or this state.

(20) Sell, at public or private sale, with or without public bidding, any loan or other obligation held by the authority.

(21) Enter into agreements concerning, and acquire, hold, and dispose by any lawful means, land or interests in land, building improvements, structures, personal property, franchises, patents, accounts receivable, loans, assignments, guarantees, and insurance needed for the purposes of ~~*this chapter, IC 4-4-21, or IC 15-7-5,*~~ *the affected statutes.*

(22) Take assignments of accounts receivable, loans, guarantees, insurance, notes, mortgages, security agreements securing notes, and other forms of security, attach, seize, or take title by foreclosure or conveyance to any industrial development project when a guaranteed loan thereon is clearly in default and when in the opinion of the authority such acquisition is necessary to safeguard the industrial development project guaranty fund, and sell, or on a temporary basis, lease or rent such industrial development project for any use.

(23) Expend money, as the authority considers appropriate, from the industrial development project guaranty fund created by section 16 of this chapter.

(24) Purchase, lease as lessee, construct, remodel, rebuild, enlarge, or substantially improve industrial development projects,

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including land, machinery, equipment, or any combination thereof.

(25) Lease industrial development projects to users or developers, with or without an option to purchase.

(26) Sell industrial development projects to users or developers, for consideration to be paid in installments or otherwise.

(27) Make direct loans from the proceeds of the bonds to users or developers for:

(A) the cost of acquisition, construction, or installation of industrial development projects, including land, machinery, equipment, or any combination thereof; or

(B) eligible expenditures for an educational facility project described in IC 4-4-10.9-6.2(a)(2);

with the loans to be secured by the pledge of one (1) or more bonds, notes, warrants, or other secured or unsecured debt obligations of the users or developers.

(28) Lend or deposit the proceeds of bonds to or with a lender for the purpose of furnishing funds to such lender to be used for making a loan to a developer or user for the financing of industrial development projects under this chapter.

(29) Enter into agreements with users or developers to allow the users or developers, directly or as agents for the authority, to wholly or partially construct industrial development projects to be leased from or to be acquired by the authority.

(30) Establish reserves from the proceeds of the sale of bonds, other funds, or both, in the amount determined to be necessary by the authority to secure the payment of the principal and interest on the bonds.

(31) Adopt rules *and guidelines* governing its activities authorized under ~~*this chapter, IC 4-4-21, and IC 15-7-5,*~~ *the affected statutes.*

(32) Use the proceeds of bonds to make guaranteed participating loans.

(33) Purchase, discount, sell, and negotiate, with or without guaranty, notes and other evidences of indebtedness.

(34) Sell and guarantee securities.

(35) Make guaranteed participating loans under IC 4-4-21-26.

(36) Procure insurance to guarantee, insure, coinsure, and reinsure against political and commercial risk of loss, and any other insurance the authority considers necessary, including insurance to secure the payment of principal and interest on notes or other obligations of the authority.

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(37) Provide performance bond guarantees to support eligible export loan transactions, subject to the terms of ~~*this chapter or IC 4-4-21.*~~ *the affected statutes.*

(38) Provide financial counseling services to Indiana exporters.

(39) Accept gifts, grants, or loans from, and enter into contracts or other transactions with, any federal or state agency, municipality, private organization, or other source.

(40) Sell, convey, lease, exchange, transfer, or otherwise dispose of property or any interest in property, wherever the property is located.

(41) Cooperate with other public and private organizations to promote export trade activities in Indiana.

(42) Make guarantees and administer the agricultural loan and rural development project guarantee fund established by IC 15-7-5.

(43) Take assignments of notes and mortgages and security agreements securing notes and other forms of security, and attach, seize, or take title by foreclosure or conveyance to any agricultural enterprise or rural development project when a guaranteed loan to the enterprise or rural development project is clearly in default and when in the opinion of the authority the acquisition is necessary to safeguard the agricultural loan and rural development project guarantee fund, and sell, or on a temporary basis, lease or rent the agricultural enterprise or rural development project for any use.

(44) Expend money, as the authority considers appropriate, from the agricultural loan and rural development project guarantee fund created by IC 15-7-5-19.5.

(45) Reimburse from bond proceeds expenditures for industrial development projects under this chapter.

(46) Acquire, hold, use, and dispose of the authority's income, revenues, funds, and money.

(47) Purchase, acquire, or hold debt securities or other investments for the authority's own account at prices and in a manner the authority considers advisable, and sell or otherwise dispose of those securities or investments at prices without relation to cost and in a manner the authority considers advisable.

(48) Fix and establish terms and provisions with respect to:

(A) a purchase of securities by the authority, including dates and maturities of the securities;

(B) redemption or payment before maturity; and

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(C) any other matters that in connection with the purchase are necessary, desirable, or advisable in the judgment of the authority.

(49) To the extent permitted under the authority's contracts with the holders of bonds or notes, amend, modify, and supplement any provision or term of:

(A) a bond, a note, or any other obligation of the authority; or

(B) any agreement or contract of any kind to which the authority is a party.

(50) Subject to the authority's investment policy, do any act and enter into any agreement pertaining to a swap agreement (as defined in IC 8-9.5-9-4) related to the purposes of the affected statutes in accordance with IC 8-9.5-9-5 and IC 8-9.5-9-7, whether the action is incidental to the issuance, carrying, or securing of bonds or otherwise.

~~(46)~~ *(51)* Do any act necessary or convenient to the exercise of the powers granted by ~~*this chapter, IC 4-4-21, or IC 15-7-5,*~~ *the affected statutes,* or reasonably implied from those statutes, including but not limited to compliance with requirements of federal law imposed from time to time for the issuance of bonds.

(b) The authority's powers under this chapter shall be interpreted broadly to effectuate the purposes of this chapter and may not be construed as a limitation of powers. *The omission of a power from the list in subsection (a) does not imply that the authority lacks that power. The authority may exercise any power that is not listed in subsection (a) but is consistent with the powers listed in subsection (a) to the extent that the power is not expressly denied by the Constitution of the State of Indiana or by another statute.*

(c) This chapter does not authorize the financing of industrial development projects for a developer unless any written agreement that may exist between the developer and the user at the time of the bond resolution is fully disclosed to and approved by the authority.

(d) The authority shall work with and assist the Indiana health and educational facility financing authority established by IC 5-1-16-2, the Indiana housing ~~*finance*~~ **and community development** *authority established by IC 5-20-1-3, the Indiana port commission established under IC 8-10-1, and the state fair commission established by IC 15-1.5-2-1 in the issuance of bonds, notes, or other indebtedness. The Indiana health and educational facility financing authority, the Indiana housing* ~~*finance*~~ **and community development** *authority, the Indiana port commission, and the state fair commission shall work with and cooperate with the authority in connection with the issuance*

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of bonds, notes, or other indebtedness.

SECTION 29. IC 4-4-11-15.3, AS ADDED BY P.L.235-2005, SECTION 21, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 15.3. The authority: ~~may not:~~

(1) **may not** deal in securities within the meaning of or subject to any securities law, securities exchange law, or securities dealers law of the United States of America or of the state or of any other state or jurisdiction, domestic or foreign, except as authorized in the affected statutes;

(2) **may not:**

(A) emit bills of credit; ~~or~~

(B) accept deposits of money for time or demand deposit; ~~or~~

(C) administer trusts; ~~or~~

(D) engage in any form or manner, or in the conduct of, any private or commercial banking business; or

(E) act as a savings bank, ~~or~~ savings association, or any other kind of financial institution; ~~or~~ **and**

(3) **may not** engage in any form of private or commercial banking business.

SECTION 30. IC 4-4-11-43 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 43. (a) In addition to the findings of fact set forth in section 2 of this chapter, the general assembly finds that:

(1) the federal Clean Air Act, as implemented, will have a harmful and injurious effect on the state's coal industry, resulting in critical and chronic conditions of unemployment affecting the unemployed workers and their families and communities and, ultimately, the state;

(2) there exists clean coal technology that, if successfully implemented, will increase the fortunes of the coal industry and, as a result, workers in the industry and their families and communities and, ultimately, the state; and

(3) implementation of clean coal technology consistent with the findings of fact set forth in subdivisions (1) and (2) serves the public purposes of public health, welfare, safety, and economic development.

(b) For purposes of this section, "political subdivision" has the meaning set forth in IC 36-1-2-13.

(c) There is created within the authority a clean coal technology program. The authority shall manage the clean coal technology program with the advice of the ~~department of commerce.~~ **lieutenant governor.**

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(d) Subject to subsection (i), the authority is authorized and directed to issue revenue bonds, or to guarantee its revenue bonds, in an amount not to exceed forty million dollars ($40,000,000), under this chapter to finance clean coal technology projects, including all costs related to the financing. Subject to subsection (i), as an alternative to issuing revenue bonds, and notwithstanding any other law, the authority may guarantee revenue bonds issued by another body politic and corporate of the state or a political subdivision for these purposes. Revenue bonds or guarantees are payable solely from or secured by:

(1) revenues from the clean coal technology projects;

(2) contributions made by and to the authority for the clean coal technology program;

(3) appropriations made by the general assembly; and

(4) appropriations or pledges made by other bodies corporate and politic of the state and political subdivisions.

(e) Notwithstanding any other law or provisions of this chapter, revenue bonds may be issued or guaranteed under this section by resolution of the authority. Subject to subsection (i), no other procedures or findings, including procedures or findings required under this chapter for revenue bonds or guarantees, are required to be followed. The terms of the revenue bonds or the guarantee must be set forth in the resolution in the discretion of the authority.

(f) Bodies corporate and politic of the state and political subdivisions, including cities, towns, and counties, may make appropriations to the clean coal technology program and clean coal technology projects and, notwithstanding any other law, may pledge county option and economic development income tax revenues to the clean coal technology program or one (1) or more clean coal technology projects or to revenue bonds issued or guaranteed for the program or projects, whether by the authority or otherwise.

(g) Revenue bonds and guarantees of the authority under this section do not constitute debt of the state, and the general assembly shall not be obligated to make appropriations to the authority for such purposes.

(h) In addition to other powers granted to the authority or a political subdivision under this chapter, the authority or a political subdivision may lease clean coal technology projects under this section from a lessor corporation or authority and sublease the project to any entity. Bonds issued by any lessor corporation or authority shall be considered revenue bonds of a body politic and corporate of the state or a political subdivision for all purposes of this section.

(i) The authority may not issue revenue bonds to finance a clean

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coal technology project, guarantee revenue bonds issued by another body corporate and politic of Indiana or a political subdivision to finance a clean coal technology project, or enter into a lease in connection with a clean coal technology project unless and until:

(1) the ~~state department of commerce~~ **lieutenant governor** evaluates in writing the technical merits and feasibility of the clean coal technology project and the ~~department~~ **lieutenant governor** presents the evaluation with a recommendation to proceed to the budget committee for review;

(2) the authority, in cooperation with the budget agency, evaluates the financial merits and feasibility of the clean coal technology project (including a plan of finance for the project and appropriate assurances that the project will be constructed as contemplated) and the authority presents the evaluation with a recommendation to proceed to the budget committee for review;

(3) the budget committee completes the reviews described in this subsection and makes a recommendation to proceed to the state board of finance; and

(4) the **state** board of finance approves the undertaking of the clean coal technology project and plan of finance.

(j) In evaluating the technical merits and feasibility of the clean coal technology project, the ~~department of commerce~~ **lieutenant governor** may rely upon the written testimony of outside experts retained for this purpose.

(k) The plan of finance described in subsection (i) must indicate whether, in the authority's opinion, state appropriations will be needed to support the project and if so, the anticipated times and amounts of the appropriations.

(l) In creating the clean coal technology program and in authorizing the financing of clean coal technology projects, the general assembly expects that the plan of finance for each project will take into account revenues from the project and contributions from the beneficiaries of the program. For purposes of this section, "beneficiaries" means corporate and individual sponsors and proponents of projects, the coal industry and coal users, and employees of the coal industry and coal users, and political subdivisions whose economies are dependent in whole or in part on the coal industry. Contributions may be in cash, in kind, or in any combination of in cash and in kind, and may include real and personal property and interests in real and personal property and in technology, patents, licenses, franchises, marketing agreements, and shares and other interests in any of the foregoing. In evaluating and reviewing projects and plans of finance under this section, the

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authority, the ~~department of commerce,~~ **lieutenant governor,** the budget agency, the budget committee, and the state board of finance shall be guided by the general assembly's expectation as to contributions from the beneficiaries of the program as described in this subsection. However, failure of any particular beneficiary to contribute to a project shall not in itself disqualify a project.

(m) This section only applies to the clean coal technology program and clean coal technology projects and not to any other programs or projects undertaken by the authority.

SECTION 31. IC 4-4-11-45, AS ADDED BY P.L.25-2005, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 45. (a) As used **in** this section, "permit" means any local, state, or federal agency permit, license, certificate, approval, registration, or similar form of approval required by statute, administrative rule, regulation, ordinance, or resolution.

(b) In addition to the duties set forth in section 44 of this chapter, the shovel ready site development center shall, in cooperation with political subdivisions, create programs to enable political subdivisions to obtain all or part of any permits to create sites that are ready for economic development.

SECTION 32. IC 4-4-11.4-1, AS ADDED BY P.L.232-2005, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "authority" refers to the Indiana ~~development~~ finance authority.

SECTION 33. IC 4-4-11.4-7, AS ADDED BY P.L.232-2005, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. (a) The authority may issue its bonds in principal amounts that the authority considers necessary to provide funds for the purposes under this chapter, including the following:

(1) Providing a source of money for the Indiana twenty-first century research and technology fund established by ~~IC 4-4-5.1-3.~~ **IC 5-28-16-2.**

(2) Payment, funding, or refunding of the principal of, or interest or redemption premiums on, bonds issued by the authority under this chapter whether the bonds or interest to be paid, funded, or refunded have or have not become due.

(3) Establishment or increase of reserves to secure or to pay bonds or interest on bonds and all other costs or expenses of the authority incident to and necessary or convenient to carry out the authority's corporate purposes and powers under this chapter.

(b) Every issue of bonds shall be obligations of the authority payable solely out of the revenues or funds of the authority under section 15 of

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this chapter, subject to agreements with the holders of a particular series of bonds pledging a particular revenue or fund. Bonds may be additionally secured by a pledge of a grant or contributions from the United States, a political subdivision, or a person, or by a pledge of income or revenues, funds, or money of the authority from any source.

SECTION 34. IC 4-4-11.5-6.3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6.3. As used in this chapter, ~~"IHFA"~~ **"IHCDA"** refers to the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority established by IC 5-20-1.

SECTION 35. IC 4-4-11.5-7.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.235-2005, SECTION 35, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7.5. As used in this chapter, "issuer" means IFA, ~~IHFA,~~ **IHCDA,** ISMEL, a local unit, or any other issuer of bonds that must procure volume under the volume cap.

SECTION 36. IC 4-4-11.5-18, AS AMENDED BY P.L.235-2005, SECTION 36, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 18. (a) The volume cap shall be allocated annually among categories of bonds in accordance with section 19 of this chapter. Those categories are as follows:

(1) Bonds issued by the IFA.

(2) Bonds issued by the ~~IHFA.~~ **IHCDA.**

(3) Bonds issued by the ISMEL.

(4) Bonds issued by local units or any other issuers not specifically referred to in this section whose bonds are or may become subject to the volume cap for projects described in:

(A) Division A - Agricultural, Forestry, and Fishing;

(B) Division B - Mining;

(C) Division C - Construction;

(D) Division D - Manufacturing;

(E) Division E - Transportation; and

(F) Division F - Wholesale Trade;

of the SIC Manual (or corresponding sector in the NAICS Manual), and any projects described in Section 142(a)(3), 142(a)(4), 142(a)(5), 142(a)(6), 142(a)(8), 142(a)(9), or 142(a)(10) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(5) Bonds issued by local units or any other issuers not specifically referred to in this section whose bonds are or may become subject to the volume cap for projects described in:

(A) Division G - Retail Trade;

(B) Division H - Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate;

(C) Division I - Services;

(D) Division J - Public Administration; and

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(E) Division K - Miscellaneous;

of the SIC Manual (or corresponding sector in the NAICS Manual), and any projects described in Section 142(a)(7) or 144(c) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(b) For purposes of determining the SIC category of a facility, the determination shall be based upon the type of activity engaged in by the user of the facility within the facility in question, rather than upon the ultimate enterprise in which the developer or user of the facility is engaged.

SECTION 37. IC 4-4-11.5-19, AS AMENDED BY P.L.235-2005, SECTION 37, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 19. (a) On or before January 1 of each year, the IFA shall determine the dollar amount of the volume cap for that year.

(b) Each year the volume cap shall be allocated among the categories specified in section 18 of this chapter as follows:

Type of Bonds	Percentage of Volume Cap
Bonds issued by the IFA	9%
Bonds issued by the ~~IHFA~~ **IHCDA**	28%
Bonds issued by the ISMEL	1%
Bonds issued by local units or other issuers under section 18(a)(3) of this chapter	42%
Bonds issued by local units or other issuers under section 18(a)(4) of this chapter	20%

(c) Except as provided in subsection (d), the amount allocated to a category represents the maximum amount of the volume cap that will be reserved for bonds included within that category.

(d) The IFA may adopt a resolution to alter the allocations made by subsection (b) for a year if it determines that the change is necessary to allow maximum usage of the volume cap and to promote the health and well-being of the residents of Indiana by promoting the public purposes served by the bond categories then subject to the volume cap.

(e) The governor may, by executive order, establish for a year a different dollar amount for the volume cap, different bond categories, and different allocations among the bond categories than those set forth in or established under this section and section 18 of this chapter if it becomes necessary to adopt a different volume cap and bond category allocation system in order to allow maximum usage of the volume cap among the bond categories then subject to the volume cap and to

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promote the health, welfare, and well-being of the residents of Indiana by promoting the public purposes served by the bond categories then subject to the volume cap.

SECTION 38. IC 4-4-15-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. The ~~department of commerce~~ **lieutenant governor** may make grants from the fund to eligible entities for the following purposes in order to promote economic development, community development, or both, in Indiana:

(1) Planning market research activities.

(2) Obtaining technical assistance from universities.

(3) Conducting feasibility studies.

(4) Conducting studies or surveys to gather information required to obtain federal funding.

(5) Developing and conducting marketing campaigns for economic development purposes.

(6) Conducting studies of the steps necessary to permit a community's industrial and business establishments to recover from a fire, flood, tornado, or other natural disaster.

(7) Other similar purposes approved by the ~~department of commerce.~~ **lieutenant governor.**

However, each grant must be matched by funds provided by the applicant, and the ~~department of commerce~~ **lieutenant governor** may not provide more than one-half (1/2) the funds for the project. The matching funds required by the applicant may be provided by any source except other state funds.

SECTION 39. IC 4-4-15-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. After consideration of the general merits, potential effectiveness, total cost, and other factors affecting a proposed project, the ~~department of commerce~~ **lieutenant governor** shall approve or disapprove the application in whole or in part.

SECTION 40. IC 4-4-15-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. If an application is approved, the ~~department of commerce~~ **lieutenant governor** shall determine the amount of the grant to be made from the fund for the project and shall pay the sum granted from the fund to the eligible entity from which the application originated.

SECTION 41. IC 4-4-15-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. All promotional materials produced with the assistance of funds provided under this chapter must include the following statement: "Produced in cooperation with the **Office of the** Indiana ~~Department of Commerce".~~ **Lieutenant**

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SECTION 42. IC 4-4-19-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, ~~"department"~~ **"corporation"** refers to the ~~department of commerce.~~ **Indiana economic development corporation established by IC 5-28-3-1.**

SECTION 43. IC 4-4-19-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. (a) ~~Before July 1, 2004,~~ The ~~department~~ **corporation** shall devise a distinctive trademark and register it with the secretary of state under IC 24-2-1. The trademark must indicate in some way that the product to which it is affixed is substantially produced or assembled in Indiana.

(b) The ~~department~~ **corporation** shall register the trademark with the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

SECTION 44. IC 4-4-19-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. A person may apply to the ~~department~~ **corporation** for permission to use the trademark.

SECTION 45. IC 4-4-19-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. The ~~department~~ **corporation** may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 or establish policies to provide:

(1) the conditions under which the trademark may be used, which may include such criteria as the extent to which the product is actually produced or assembled in Indiana; and

(2) a procedure under which application for use of the trademark may be made.

SECTION 46. IC 4-4-27-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. The ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture or the ~~commissioner's~~ **director's** designee shall, at least one (1) time each year, inspect and test all equipment used to test the moisture and the foreign material and dockage content of grain purchased, sold, or exchanged in Indiana.

SECTION 47. IC 4-4-27-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. Each piece of equipment that is tested and found to be true in accordance with rules or standards prescribed by the National Institute of Standards and Technology, the United States Department of Agriculture, and the ~~office of the commissioner~~ **department** of agriculture must bear a seal issued by the office of the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture to that effect with the date of inspection and expiration

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SECTION 48. IC 4-4-27-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. (a) The ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture or the ~~commissioner's~~ **director's** designee shall charge a fee of ten dollars ($10) for each moisture testing device inspected from each inspection site under this chapter.

(b) All fees shall be deposited in the state treasury.

SECTION 49. IC 4-4-27-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. Money shall be appropriated to the ~~office of the commissioner~~ **department** of agriculture for the use of the office in carrying out this chapter.

SECTION 50. IC 4-4-27-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. The ~~office of the commissioner~~ **department** of agriculture may adopt rules **under IC 4-22-2** to administer this chapter.

SECTION 51. IC 4-4-27-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. The ~~office of the commissioner~~ **department** of agriculture may:

(1) employ such persons;
(2) make such expenditures;
(3) require such reports and records;
(4) make such investigations; and
(5) take such other action;

as the ~~office~~ **department of agriculture** considers necessary or suitable for the proper administration of this chapter.

SECTION 52. IC 4-4-28-11, AS AMENDED BY P.L.235-2005, SECTION 46, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 11. (a) Each community development corporation shall annually provide the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority with information needed to determine:

(1) the number of accounts administered by the community development corporation;
(2) the length of time each account under subdivision (1) has been established; and
(3) the amount of money an individual has deposited into each account under subdivision (1) during the preceding twelve (12) months.

(b) The Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority shall use the information provided under subsection (a) to deposit the correct amount of money into each account as provided in

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section 12 of this chapter.

SECTION 53. IC 4-4-28-12, AS AMENDED BY P.L.235-2005, SECTION 47, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. (a) The Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority shall allocate, for each account that has been established after June 30, 2001, for not more than four (4) years, including any time in which an individual held an individual development account under this chapter before July 1, 2001, three dollars ($3) for each one dollar ($1) an individual deposited into the individual's account during the preceding twelve (12) months. However, the authority's allocation under this subsection may not exceed nine hundred dollars ($900) for each account described in this subsection.

(b) Not later than June 30 of each year, the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority shall deposit into each account established under this chapter the appropriate amount of money determined under this section. However, if the individual deposits the maximum amount allowed under this chapter on or before December 31 of each year, the individual may request in writing that the authority allocate and deposit the matched funds under subsection (a) into the individual's account not later than forty-five (45) days after the authority receives the written request.

(c) Money from a federal block grant program under Title IV-A of the federal Social Security Act may be used by the state to provide money under this section for deposit into an account held by an individual who receives assistance under IC 12-14-2.

SECTION 54. IC 4-4-28-15, AS AMENDED BY P.L.235-2005, SECTION 48, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 15. (a) An individual must request and receive authorization from the community development corporation that administers the individual's account before withdrawing money from the account for any purpose.

(b) An individual who is denied authorization to withdraw money under subsection (a) may appeal the community development corporation's decision to the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority under rules adopted by the authority under IC 4-22-2.

SECTION 55. IC 4-4-28-18, AS AMENDED BY P.L.235-2005, SECTION 49, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 18. (a) Each community development corporation shall annually:

(1) evaluate the individual development accounts administered by

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the community development corporation; and

(2) submit a report containing the evaluation information to the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority.

(b) Two (2) or more community development corporations may work together in carrying out the purposes of this chapter.

SECTION 56. IC 4-4-28-21, AS AMENDED BY P.L.235-2005, SECTION 50, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 21. The Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement this chapter.

SECTION 57. IC 4-4-30-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. To carry out the center's duties described in section 5 of this chapter, the ~~director~~ **lieutenant governor** or the ~~director's~~ **lieutenant governor's** designee, acting on behalf of the center, may:

(1) organize the center in the manner necessary to implement this chapter;

(2) execute contractual agreements, including contracts for:

(A) the operation of the center;

(B) the performance of any of the duties described in section 5 of this chapter; and

(C) any other services necessary to carry out this chapter;

(3) receive money from any source for purposes of this chapter;

(4) expend money for an activity appropriate to the purposes of this chapter;

(5) execute agreements and cooperate with:

(A) Purdue University and other state educational institutions;

(B) a state or federal department or agency;

(C) a political subdivision; and

(D) interest groups representing business, the environment, industry, science, and technology; and

(6) subject to the approval of the budget agency, employ personnel as necessary for the efficient administration of this chapter.

SECTION 58. IC 4-4-30-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. (a) The coal technology research fund is established to provide money for the center for coal technology research and for the ~~director~~ **lieutenant governor** to carry out the duties specified under this chapter. The budget agency shall administer the fund.

(b) The fund consists of the following:

(1) Money appropriated or otherwise designated or dedicated by

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the general assembly.

(2) Gifts, grants, and bequests.

(c) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same manner as the treasurer may invest other public funds.

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

SECTION 59. IC 4-6-12-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) The following may cooperate with the unit to implement this chapter:

(1) The Indiana professional licensing agency and the appropriate licensing boards with respect to persons licensed under IC 25.

(2) The department of financial institutions.

(3) The department of insurance with respect to the sale of insurance in connection with mortgage lending.

(4) The securities division of the office of the secretary of state.

(5) The supreme court disciplinary commission with respect to attorney misconduct.

(6) The Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority.

(7) The department of state revenue.

(8) The state police department.

(9) A prosecuting attorney.

(10) Local law enforcement agencies.

(11) The ~~department of commerce.~~ **lieutenant governor.**

(b) Notwithstanding IC 5-14-3, the entities listed in subsection (a) may share information with the unit.

SECTION 60. IC 4-12-9-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The tobacco farmers and rural community impact fund is established. The fund shall be administered by the ~~commissioner of agriculture.~~ **director of the department of agriculture.** The fund consists of:

(1) amounts, if any, that another statute requires to be distributed to the fund from the Indiana tobacco master settlement agreement fund;

(2) appropriations to the fund from other sources;

(3) grants, gifts, and donations intended for deposit in the fund; and

(4) interest that accrues from money in the fund.

(b) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from money in the fund.

(c) Notwithstanding IC 5-13, the treasurer of state shall invest the

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money in the fund not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same manner as money is invested by the public employees retirement fund under IC 5-10.3-5. The treasurer of state may contract with investment management professionals, investment advisors, and legal counsel to assist in the management of the fund and may pay the state expenses incurred under those contracts.

(d) Money in the fund at the end of the state fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund and remains available for expenditure.

SECTION 61. IC 4-12-9-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. (a) Subject to subsection (b), money in the fund shall be used for the following purposes:

(1) Agricultural grant and loan programs to assist cooperative arrangements consisting of tobacco quota owners and tobacco growers working together to transition from tobacco production to other agricultural enterprises and to assist individual tobacco quota owners and tobacco growers who are in the process of transitioning to other agricultural enterprises.

(2) Value-added cooperatives, incubators, and other enterprises or facilities established for the purpose of assisting tobacco quota owners and tobacco growers to capture additional revenues from non-tobacco agricultural commodities.

(3) Agricultural mentoring programs, entrepreneurial leadership development, and tuition and scholarships to assist displaced tobacco growers in acquiring new training and employment skills.

(4) Academic research to identify new transitional crop enterprises to replace tobacco production.

(5) Market facility development for marketing current and new crop enterprises.

(6) Administrative and planning services for local communities and economic development entities that suffer a negative impact from the loss of tobacco production.

(7) Establishment and operation of a regional economic development consortium to address common problems faced by local communities that suffer a negative impact from the loss of tobacco production.

(b) Expenditures from the fund are subject to appropriation by the general assembly and approval by the ~~the commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture. The ~~commissioner~~ **director** of **the department of** agriculture may not approve an expenditure from the fund unless that expenditure has been recommended by the advisory board established by section 4 of this chapter.

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SECTION 62. IC 4-12-9-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) The tobacco farmers and rural community impact fund advisory board is established. The advisory board shall meet at least quarterly and at the call of the ~~commissioner of agriculture~~ **director of the department of agriculture** to make recommendations concerning expenditures of money from the fund.

(b) The advisory board consists of the following:

(1) The ~~commissioner of agriculture,~~ **director of the department of agriculture,** who is an ex officio member and serves as chairperson of the advisory board.

(2) Two (2) members of the senate, who may not be members of the same political party, appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate.

(3) Two (2) members of the house of representatives, who may not be members of the same political party, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

(4) The following appointees by the governor who represent the following organizations or interests:

(A) Two (2) tobacco growers.

(B) One (1) tobacco quota owner.

(C) Two (2) persons with knowledge and experience in state and regional economic development needs.

(D) One (1) person representing small towns or rural communities.

(E) One (1) person representing the Indiana Rural Development Council.

(F) One (1) person representing the Southern Indiana Rural Development Project.

(G) One (1) person representing agricultural programs at universities located in Indiana.

The members of the advisory board listed in subdivisions (1) through (3) are nonvoting members. The members of the advisory board listed in subdivision (4) are voting members.

(c) The term of office of a legislative member of the advisory board is four (4) years. However, a legislative member of the advisory board ceases to be a member of the advisory board if the member:

(1) is no longer a member of the chamber from which the member was appointed; or

(2) is removed from the advisory board under subsection (d).

(d) A legislative member of the advisory board may be removed at any time by the appointing authority who appointed the legislative

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member.

(e) The term of office of a member of the advisory board appointed under subsection ~~(a)(4)~~ **(b)(4)** is four (4) years. However, these members serve at the pleasure of the governor and may be removed for any reason.

(f) If a vacancy exists on the advisory board with respect to a legislative member or the members appointed under subsection ~~(a)(4),~~ **(b)(4),** the appointing authority who appointed the former member whose position has become vacant shall appoint an individual to fill the vacancy for the balance of the unexpired term.

(g) Five (5) voting members of the advisory board constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting of the advisory board. The affirmative vote of at least five (5) voting members of the advisory board is necessary for the advisory board to take action.

(h) Each member of the advisory board who is not a state employee is not entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). The member is, however, entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

(i) Each member of the advisory board who is a state employee but who is not a member of the general assembly is entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

(j) Each member of the advisory board who is a member of the general assembly is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage, and travel allowances paid to legislative members of interim study committees established by the legislative council. Per diem, mileage, and travel allowances paid under this subsection shall be paid from appropriations made to the legislative council or the legislative services agency.

(k) Payments authorized for members of the advisory board under subsections (h) through (i) are payable from the tobacco farmers and rural community impact fund.

SECTION 63. IC 4-13-1-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.11-2005, SECTION 1, P.L.177-2005, SECTION 5, AND P.L.214-2005, SECTION 4, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. The department

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shall, subject to this chapter, do the following:

(1) Execute and administer all appropriations as provided by law, and execute and administer all provisions of law that impose duties and functions upon the executive department of government, including executive investigation of state agencies supported by appropriations and the assembly of all required data and information for the use of the executive department and the legislative department.

(2) Supervise and regulate the making of contracts by state agencies.

(3) Perform the property management functions required by IC 4-20.5-6.

(4) Assign office space and storage space for state agencies in the manner provided by IC 4-20.5-5.

(5) Maintain and operate the following for state agencies:

(A) Central duplicating.

(B) Printing.

(C) Machine tabulating.

(D) Mailing services.

(E) Centrally available supplemental personnel and other essential supporting services.

~~*(F) Information services.*~~

~~*(G) Telecommunication services.*~~

The department may require state agencies to use these general services in the interests of economy and efficiency. The general services rotary fund ~~*the telephone rotary fund, and the data processing rotary fund are*~~ *is* established through which ~~*these*~~ *these* services may be rendered to state agencies. The budget agency shall determine the amount for ~~*each*~~ *the general services* rotary fund.

(6) Control and supervise the acquisition, operation, maintenance, and replacement of state owned vehicles by all state agencies. The department may establish and operate, in the interest of economy and efficiency, a motor vehicle pool, and may finance the pool by a rotary fund. The budget agency shall determine the amount to be deposited in the rotary fund.

(7) Promulgate and enforce rules relative to the travel of officers and employees of all state agencies when engaged in the performance of state business. These rules may allow reimbursement for travel expenses by any of the following methods:

(A) Per diem.

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(B) For expenses necessarily and actually incurred.

(C) Any combination of the methods in clauses (A) and (B).

The rules must require the approval of the travel by the commissioner and the head of the officer's or employee's department prior to payment.

(8) Administer IC 4-13.6.

(9) Prescribe the amount and form of certified checks, deposits, or bonds to be submitted in connection with bids and contracts when not otherwise provided for by law.

(10) Rent out, with the approval of the governor, any state property, real or personal:

(A) not needed for public use; or

(B) for the purpose of providing services to the state or employees of the state;

the rental of which is not otherwise provided for or prohibited by law. Property may not be rented out under this subdivision for a term exceeding ten (10) years at a time. However, if property is rented out for a term of more than four (4) years, the commissioner must make a written determination stating the reasons that it is in the best interests of the state to rent property for the longer term. This subdivision does not include the power to grant or issue permits or leases to explore for or take coal, sand, gravel, stone, gas, oil, or other minerals or substances from or under the bed of any of the navigable waters of the state or other lands owned by the state.

(11) Have charge of all central storerooms, supply rooms, and warehouses established and operated by the state and serving more than one (1) agency.

(12) Enter into contracts and issue orders for printing as provided by IC 4-13-4.1.

(13) Sell or dispose of surplus property under IC 5-22-22, or if advantageous, to exchange or trade in the surplus property toward the purchase of other supplies, materials, or equipment, and to make proper adjustments in the accounts and inventory pertaining to the state agencies concerned.

(14) With respect to power, heating, and lighting plants owned, operated, or maintained by any state agency:

(A) inspect;

(B) regulate their operation; and

(C) recommend improvements to those plants to promote economical and efficient operation.

(15) Administer, determine salaries, and determine other

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personnel matters of the department of correction ombudsman bureau established by IC 4-13-1.2-3.

(16) Adopt rules to establish and implement a "Code Adam" safety protocol as described in ~~IC 4-20.5-6-9.~~ **IC 4-20.5-6-9.2.**

(17) Adopt policies and standards for making state owned property reasonably available to be used free of charge as locations for making motion pictures.

SECTION 64. IC 4-13-1.4-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. Each year the department shall, in cooperation with the ~~department of commerce created by IC 4-4-3,~~ **lieutenant governor,** host at least one (1) conference to bring together the following:

(1) Purchasing agents.

(2) Suppliers of products made from recycled materials.

SECTION 65. IC 4-13.6-3-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. (a) There is established a certification board. The following persons shall serve on the certification board:

(1) The ~~state building commissioner.~~ **state fire marshal or the state fire marshal's designee.**

(2) The chief engineer of the department of natural resources.

(3) The director.

(b) The board shall administer IC 4-13.6-4.

SECTION 66. IC 4-15-2-3.8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.218-2005, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3.8. "State service" means public service by:

(1) employees and officers, including the incumbent directors, of the county offices of family and children; and

(2) employees and officers, except members of boards and commissions or individuals hired for or appointed to, after June 30, 1982, positions as appointing authorities, deputies, assistants reporting to appointing authorities, or supervisors of major units within state agencies, irrespective of the title carried by those positions, of the division of disability, aging, and rehabilitative services, Fort Wayne State Developmental Center, Muscatatuck State Developmental Center, division of mental health and addiction, Larue D. Carter Memorial Hospital, Evansville State Psychiatric Treatment Center for Children, Evansville State Hospital, Logansport State Hospital, Madison State Hospital, Richmond State Hospital, state department of health, Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, Indiana School for the Deaf, Indiana Veterans' Home, Indiana Soldiers' and Sailors'

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Children's Home, Silvercrest Children's Development Center, department of correction, Westville Correctional Facility, Plainfield Juvenile Correctional Facility, Putnamville Correctional Facility, Indianapolis Juvenile Correctional Facility, Indiana State Prison, Indiana Women's Prison, Pendleton Correctional Facility, Reception and Diagnostic Center, Rockville Correctional Facility, Youth Rehabilitation Facility, Plainfield Correctional Facility, ~~department of fire and building services, state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** (excluding a county emergency management organization and any other local emergency management organization created under IC 10-14-3), civil rights commission, criminal justice planning agency, department of workforce development, Indiana historical bureau, Indiana state library, division of family and children, Indiana state board of animal health, Federal Surplus Property Warehouse, Indiana education employment relations board, department of labor, Indiana protection and advocacy services commission, commission on public records, Indiana horse racing commission, and state personnel department.

SECTION 67. IC 4-15-2-35.5, AS ADDED BY P.L.222-2005, SECTION 20, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 35.5. (a) This section applies only to an employee who has been suspended or terminated by the ethics commission.

(b) An employee who has been suspended or terminated by the ethics commission may request that the ethics commission reconsider its decision by filing a written petition for reconsideration with the ethics commission not later than fifteen (15) days after the date on which the employee was suspended or terminated. The employee must include in the petition for reconsideration a concise statement of the reasons that the employee believes that the termination or suspension was erroneous.

(c) After receipt of the petition for reconsideration, the ethics commission shall set the matter for hearing. At the hearing, the employee is entitled to the due process protections of IC 4-21.5, including the right to:

(1) be represented by counsel;

(2) present relevant evidence; and

(3) cross-examine opposing witnesses.

(d) The ethics commission shall rule on the petition for reconsideration not later than thirty (30) days from the date of the

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hearing. The ethics commission may:

(1) affirm its decision to suspend or terminate the employee;

(2) modify its decision to suspend or terminate the employee by:

(A) reducing the term of suspension; or

(B) vacating its order for termination and imposing a term of suspension; or

(3) vacate its order to suspend or terminate the employee.

(e) If the ethics commission vacates its order to suspend or terminate the employee under subsection (d)(3), the ethics commission may order the payment of all or part of the wages lost by the employee during the period of suspension or termination.

(f) Unless the ethics commission orders otherwise, the pendency of a petition for reinstatement does not stay the order for termination or suspension.

(g) An employee who has filed a petition for reconsideration may not file a second or subsequent petition for reconsideration.

(h) If the ruling by the ethics commission on the employee's petition for reconsideration is not agreeable to the employee, the employee may submit an appeal in writing to the commission not later than fifteen (15) calendar days after the date of the ruling by the ethics commission on the petition for reconsideration. After submission of the appeal, the commission shall, before rendering its decision, grant the appealing employee and the ethics commission a public hearing, with the right to be represented and to present evidence. With respect to all appeals, the commission shall render its decision within thirty (30) days after the date of the hearing on the appeal. If the commission finds that the action against the employee was taken on the basis of politics, religion, sex, age, race, or because of membership in an employee organization, the employee shall be reinstated without loss of pay. In all other cases the ethics commission shall follow the recommendation of the commission, which may include reinstatement and payment of salary or wages lost by the employee, which may be mitigated by any wages the employee earned from other employment during a period when the employee was dismissed or suspended.

(i) If the recommendation of the commission under subsection (h) is not agreeable to the employee, not later than fifteen (15) calendar days after receipt of **the** commission's recommendation, the employee may elect to submit the complaint to arbitration. The cost of arbitration shall be shared equally by the employee and the state of Indiana. The commissioner of labor shall prepare a list of three (3) impartial individuals trained in labor relations, and from this list each party shall strike one (1) name. The remaining arbitrator shall consider the issues

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that were presented to the commission and shall afford the parties a public hearing with the right to be represented and to present evidence. The arbitrator's findings and recommendations shall be binding on both parties and shall immediately be instituted by the commission.

SECTION 68. IC 4-20.5-6-9.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 9.2. (a) The department shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to establish and implement a "Code Adam" safety protocol at the buildings that:**

(1) the department:

(A) maintains;

(B) equips; or

(C) operates;

under section 2(b) of this chapter; and

(2) are open to the public.

(b) Rules adopted under this section must include the following:

(1) Procedures for a state employee to follow when a parent, teacher, or guardian notifies the state employee that a child is lost or missing. The procedures must:

(A) set forth the information that the state employee is to obtain from the parent, teacher, or guardian concerning the description of the lost or missing child; and

(B) identify the person in the department whom the state employee is to contact about the lost or missing child.

(2) Procedures for the department contact person identified under subdivision (1)(B) to follow after being notified of the lost or missing child.

(3) Procedures for department employees to follow in searching the building in which the lost or missing child is presumed to be.

(4) Procedures under which department employees will contact law enforcement if the lost or missing child is not found.

SECTION 69. IC 4-20.5-6-9.4 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 9.4. The department and the office of the secretary of family and social services shall establish policies that prohibit the construction of fences and bleachers on real property that is part of the Evansville State Hospital. This section applies to real property used either by:**

(1) Evansville State Hospital for recreational purposes; or

(2) an entity using part of the property of the hospital with the

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permission of the hospital.

SECTION 70. IC 4-21.5-2-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.4-2005, SECTION 19, P.L.229-2005, SECTION 1, AND P.L.235-2005, SECTION 60, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. This article does not apply to the following agency actions:

(1) The issuance of a warrant or jeopardy warrant for the collection of taxes.

(2) A determination of probable cause or no probable cause by the civil rights commission.

(3) A determination in a factfinding conference of the civil rights commission.

(4) A personnel action, except review of a personnel action by the state employees appeals commission under IC 4-15-2 or a personnel action that is not covered by IC 4-15-2 but may be taken only for cause.

(5) A resolution, directive, or other action of any agency that relates solely to the internal policy, organization, or procedure of that agency or another agency and is not a licensing or enforcement action. Actions to which this exemption applies include the statutory obligations of an agency to approve or ratify an action of another agency.

(6) An agency action related to an offender within the jurisdiction of the department of correction.

(7) A decision of the Indiana economic development corporation, *the office of tourism development,* the department of environmental management, the tourist information and grant fund review committee **(before the repeal of the statute that created the tourist information and grant fund review committee),** the Indiana ~~*development*~~ finance authority, the corporation for innovation development, or the lieutenant governor that concerns a grant, loan, bond, tax incentive, or financial guarantee.

(8) A decision to issue or not issue a complaint, summons, or similar accusation.

(9) A decision to initiate or not initiate an inspection, investigation, or other similar inquiry that will be conducted by the agency, another agency, a political subdivision, including a prosecuting attorney, a court, or another person.

(10) A decision concerning the conduct of an inspection, investigation, or other similar inquiry by an agency.

(11) The acquisition, leasing, or disposition of property or

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procurement of goods or services by contract.

(12) Determinations of the department of workforce development under IC 22-4-18-1(g)(1), IC 22-4-40, or IC 22-4-41.

(13) A decision under IC 9-30-12 of the bureau of motor vehicles to suspend or revoke ~~the~~ *a* driver's license, a driver's permit, a vehicle title, or a vehicle registration of an individual who presents a dishonored check.

(14) An action of the department of financial institutions under IC 28-1-3.1 or a decision of the department of financial institutions to act under IC 28-1-3.1.

(15) A determination by the NVRA official under IC 3-7-11 concerning an alleged violation of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (42 U.S.C. 1973gg) or IC 3-7.

(16) Imposition of a civil penalty under IC 4-20.5-6-8 if the rules of the Indiana department of administration provide an administrative appeals process.

SECTION 71. IC 4-22-2-24, AS AMENDED BY P.L.215-2005, SECTION 4, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.239-2005, SECTION 1, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 24. (a) An agency shall notify the public of its intention to adopt a rule by complying with the publication requirements in subsections (b) and (c).

(b) The agency shall cause a notice of a public hearing to be published once in one (1) newspaper of general circulation in Marion County, Indiana. To publish the newspaper notice, the agency shall directly contract with the newspaper. *An agency may not contract for the publication of a notice under this chapter until the agency has received a written or an electronic authorization to proceed from the publisher under subsection (g).*

(c) The agency shall cause a notice of public hearing and the full text of the agency's proposed rule (excluding the full text of a matter incorporated by reference under section 21 of this chapter) to be published once in the Indiana Register. To publish the notice and proposed rule in the Indiana Register, the agency shall submit the text to the publisher *in accordance with subsection (g).* The agency shall submit the rule in the form required by section 20 of this chapter and with the documents required by section 21 of this chapter. The publisher shall determine the number of copies of the rule and other documents to be submitted under this subsection.

(d) The agency shall include *the following* in the notice required by subsections (b) and (c):

(1) A statement of the date, time, and place at which the public

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hearing required by section 26 of this chapter will be convened.

(2) A general description of the subject matter of the proposed rule. ~~and~~

(3) In a notice published after June 30, 2005, a statement justifying any requirement or cost that is:

(A) imposed on a regulated entity under the rule; and

(B) not expressly required by:

(i) the statute authorizing the agency to adopt the rule; or

(ii) any other state or federal law.

The statement required under this subdivision must include a reference to any data, studies, or analyses relied upon by the agency in determining that the imposition of the requirement or cost is necessary.

~~(3)~~ *(4)* an explanation that:

(A) the proposed rule; *and*

(B) any data, studies, or analysis referenced in a statement under subdivision (3);

may be inspected and copied at the office of the agency.

However, inadequacy or insufficiency of the subject matter description *under subdivision (2) or a statement of justification under subdivision (3)* in a notice does not invalidate a rulemaking action.

(e) Although the agency may comply with the publication requirements in this section on different days, the agency must comply with all of the publication requirements in this section at least twenty-one (21) days before the public hearing required by section 26 of this chapter is convened.

(f) This section does not apply to the solicitation of comments under section 23 of this chapter.

(g) The publisher shall review materials submitted under this section and determine the date that the publisher intends to include the material in the Indiana Register. After:

(1) establishing the intended publication date; and

(2) receiving the public hearing information specified in subsection (d) from the agency;

the publisher shall provide a written or an electronic mail authorization to proceed to the agency.

SECTION 72. IC 4-22-2-32 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 32. (a) The attorney general shall review each rule submitted under section 31 of this chapter for legality.

(b) In the review, the attorney general shall determine whether the rule adopted by the agency complies with the requirements under

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section 29 of this chapter. The attorney general shall consider the following:

(1) The extent to which all persons affected by the adopted rule should have understood from the published rule or rules that their interests would be affected.

(2) The extent to which the subject matter of the adopted rule or the issues determined in the adopted rule are different from the subject matter or issues that were involved in the published rule or rules.

(3) The extent to which the effects of the adopted rule differ from the effects that would have occurred if the published rule or rules had been adopted instead.

In the review, the attorney general shall consider whether the adopted rule may constitute the taking of property without just compensation to an owner.

(c) Except as provided in subsections (d) and (h), the attorney general shall disapprove a rule under this section only if it:

(1) has been adopted without statutory authority;

(2) has been adopted without complying with this chapter;

(3) does not comply with requirements under section 29 of this chapter; or

(4) violates another law.

Otherwise, the attorney general shall approve the rule without making a specific finding of fact concerning the subjects.

(d) If an agency submits a rule to the attorney general without complying with section ~~20(2)~~ **20(a)(2)** of this chapter, the attorney general may:

(1) disapprove the rule; or

(2) return the rule to the agency without disapproving the rule.

(e) If the attorney general returns a rule under subsection (d)(2), the agency may bring the rule into compliance with section ~~20(2)~~ **20(a)(2)** of this chapter and resubmit the rule to the attorney general without readopting the rule.

(f) If the attorney general determines in the course of the review conducted under subsection (b) that a rule may constitute a taking of property, the attorney general shall advise the following:

(1) The governor.

(2) The agency head.

Advice given under this subsection shall be regarded as confidential attorney-client communication.

(g) The attorney general has forty-five (45) days from the date that an agency:

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(1) submits a rule under section 31 of this chapter; or
(2) resubmits a rule under subsection (e);

to approve or disapprove the rule. If the attorney general neither approves nor disapproves the rule, the rule is deemed approved, and the agency may submit it to the governor for approval under section 33 of this chapter without the approval of the attorney general.

(h) For rules adopted under IC 13-14-9, the attorney general:

(1) shall determine whether the rule adopted by the agency under IC 13-14-9-9(2) is a logical outgrowth of the proposed rule as published under IC 13-14-9-5(a)(2) and of testimony presented at the board meeting held under IC 13-14-9-5(a)(3); and
(2) may disapprove a rule under this section only if the rule:
(A) has been adopted without statutory authority;
(B) has been adopted without complying with this chapter or IC 13-14-9;
(C) is not a logical outgrowth of the proposed rule as published under IC 13-14-9-5(a)(2) and of the testimony presented at the board meeting held under IC 13-14-9-5(a)(3); or
(D) violates another law.

SECTION 73. IC 4-22-2-37.1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.235-2005, SECTION 61, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 37.1. (a) This section applies to a rulemaking action resulting in any of the following rules:

(1) An order adopted by the commissioner of the Indiana department of transportation under IC 9-20-1-3(d) or IC 9-21-4-7(a) and designated by the commissioner as an emergency rule.
(2) An action taken by the director of the department of natural resources under IC 14-22-2-6(d) or IC 14-22-6-13.
(3) An emergency temporary standard adopted by the occupational safety standards commission under IC 22-8-1.1-16.1.
(4) An emergency rule adopted by the solid waste management board under IC 13-22-2-3 and classifying a waste as hazardous.
(5) A rule, other than a rule described in subdivision (6), adopted by the department of financial institutions under IC 24-4.5-6-107 and declared necessary to meet an emergency.
(6) A rule required under IC 24-4.5-1-106 that is adopted by the department of financial institutions and declared necessary to meet an emergency under IC 24-4.5-6-107.
(7) A rule adopted by the Indiana utility regulatory commission to

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address an emergency under IC 8-1-2-113.

(8) An emergency rule adopted by the state lottery commission under IC 4-30-3-9.

(9) A rule adopted under IC 16-19-3-5 that the executive board of the state department of health declares is necessary to meet an emergency.

(10) An emergency rule adopted by the Indiana ~~transportation~~ finance authority under IC 8-21-12.

(11) An emergency rule adopted by the insurance commissioner under IC 27-1-23-7.

(12) An emergency rule adopted by the Indiana horse racing commission under IC 4-31-3-9.

(13) An emergency rule adopted by the air pollution control board, the solid waste management board, or the water pollution control board under IC 13-15-4-10(4) or to comply with a deadline required by federal law, provided:

(A) the variance procedures are included in the rules; and

(B) permits or licenses granted during the period the emergency rule is in effect are reviewed after the emergency rule expires.

(14) An emergency rule adopted by the Indiana election commission under IC 3-6-4.1-14.

(15) An emergency rule adopted by the department of natural resources under IC 14-10-2-5.

(16) An emergency rule adopted by the Indiana gaming commission under IC 4-33-4-2, IC 4-33-4-3, or IC 4-33-4-14.

(17) An emergency rule adopted by the alcohol and tobacco commission under IC 7.1-3-17.5, IC 7.1-3-17.7, or IC 7.1-3-20-24.4.

(18) An emergency rule adopted by the department of financial institutions under IC 28-15-11.

(19) An emergency rule adopted by the office of the secretary of family and social services under IC 12-8-1-12.

(20) An emergency rule adopted by the office of the children's health insurance program under IC 12-17.6-2-11.

(21) An emergency rule adopted by the office of Medicaid policy and planning under IC 12-15-41-15.

(22) An emergency rule adopted by the Indiana state board of animal health under IC 15-2.1-18-21.

(23) An emergency rule adopted by the board of directors of the Indiana education savings authority under IC 21-9-4-7.

(24) An emergency rule adopted by the Indiana board of tax

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review under IC 6-1.1-4-34.

(25) An emergency rule adopted by the department of local government finance under IC 6-1.1-4-33.

(26) An emergency rule adopted by the boiler and pressure vessel rules board under IC 22-13-2-8(c).

(27) An emergency rule adopted by the Indiana board of tax review under IC 6-1.1-4-37(l) or an emergency rule adopted by the department of local government finance under IC 6-1.1-4-36(j) or IC 6-1.1-22.5-20.

(28) An emergency rule adopted by the board of the Indiana economic development corporation under IC 5-28-5-8.

(29) A rule adopted by the department of financial institutions under IC 34-55-10-2.5.

(b) The following do not apply to rules described in subsection (a):

(1) Sections 24 through 36 of this chapter.

(2) IC 13-14-9.

(c) After a rule described in subsection (a) has been adopted by the agency, the agency shall submit the rule to the publisher for the assignment of a document control number. The agency shall submit the rule in the form required by section 20 of this chapter and with the documents required by section 21 of this chapter. The publisher shall determine the number of copies of the rule and other documents to be submitted under this subsection.

(d) After the document control number has been assigned, the agency shall submit the rule to the secretary of state for filing. The agency shall submit the rule in the form required by section 20 of this chapter and with the documents required by section 21 of this chapter. The secretary of state shall determine the number of copies of the rule and other documents to be submitted under this subsection.

(e) Subject to section 39 of this chapter, the secretary of state shall:

(1) accept the rule for filing; and

(2) file stamp and indicate the date and time that the rule is accepted on every duplicate original copy submitted.

(f) A rule described in subsection (a) takes effect on the latest of the following dates:

(1) The effective date of the statute delegating authority to the agency to adopt the rule.

(2) The date and time that the rule is accepted for filing under subsection (e).

(3) The effective date stated by the adopting agency in the rule.

(4) The date of compliance with every requirement established by law as a prerequisite to the adoption or effectiveness of the rule.

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(g) Subject to subsection (h), IC 14-10-2-5, IC 14-22-2-6, IC 22-8-1.1-16.1, and IC 22-13-2-8(c), and except as provided in subsections (j) and (k), a rule adopted under this section expires not later than ninety (90) days after the rule is accepted for filing under subsection (e). Except for a rule adopted under subsection (a)(13), (a)(24), (a)(25), or (a)(27), the rule may be extended by adopting another rule under this section, but only for one (1) extension period. The extension period for a rule adopted under subsection (a)(28) may not exceed the period for which the original rule was in effect. A rule adopted under subsection (a)(13) may be extended for two (2) extension periods. Subject to subsection (j), a rule adopted under subsection (a)(24), (a)(25), or (a)(27) may be extended for an unlimited number of extension periods. Except for a rule adopted under subsection (a)(13), for a rule adopted under this section to be effective after one (1) extension period, the rule must be adopted under:

(1) sections 24 through 36 of this chapter; or

(2) IC 13-14-9;

as applicable.

(h) A rule described in subsection (a)(6), (a)(8), (a)(12), or (a)(29) expires on the earlier of the following dates:

(1) The expiration date stated by the adopting agency in the rule.

(2) The date that the rule is amended or repealed by a later rule adopted under sections 24 through 36 of this chapter or this section.

(i) This section may not be used to readopt a rule under IC 4-22-2.5.

(j) A rule described in subsection (a)(24) or (a)(25) expires not later than January 1, 2006.

(k) A rule described in subsection (a)(28) expires on the expiration date stated by the board of the Indiana economic development corporation in the rule.

SECTION 74. IC 4-22-2-44 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 44. A rulemaking action that does not conform with this chapter is invalid, and a rule that is the subject of a noncomplying rulemaking action does not have the effect of law until it is adopted in conformity with this chapter. However, the failure of an agency to comply with section ~~20(2)~~ **20(a)(2)** of this chapter does not invalidate the rulemaking action.

SECTION 75. IC 4-22-2.1-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.188-2005, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) If an agency intends to adopt a rule under IC 4-22-2 that will impose requirements or costs on small businesses, the agency shall prepare a statement that describes the

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annual economic impact of a rule on all small businesses after the rule is fully implemented as described in subsection (b). The statement required by this section must include the following:

(1) An estimate of the number of small businesses, classified by industry sector, that will be subject to the proposed rule.

(2) An estimate of the average annual reporting, record keeping, and other administrative costs that small businesses will incur to comply with the proposed rule.

(3) ~~A~~ **An** estimate of the total annual economic impact that compliance with the proposed rule will have on all small businesses subject to the rule. The agency is not required to submit the proposed rule to the legislative services agency for a fiscal analysis under IC 4-22-2-28 unless the estimated economic impact of the rule is greater than five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) on all regulated entities, as set forth in IC 4-22-2-28.

(4) A statement justifying any requirement or cost that is:

(A) imposed on small businesses by the rule; and

(B) not expressly required by:

(i) the statute authorizing the agency to adopt the rule; or

(ii) any other state or federal law.

The statement required by this subdivision must include a reference to any data, studies, or analyses relied upon by the agency in determining that the imposition of the requirement or cost is necessary.

(5) A regulatory flexibility analysis that considers any less intrusive or less costly alternative methods of achieving the purpose of the proposed rule. The analysis under this subdivision must consider the following methods of minimizing the economic impact of the proposed rule on small businesses:

(A) The establishment of less stringent compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses.

(B) The establishment of less stringent schedules or deadlines for compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses.

(C) The consolidation or simplification of compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses.

(D) The establishment of performance standards for small businesses instead of design or operational standards imposed on other regulated entities by the rule.

(E) The exemption of small businesses from part or all of the requirements or costs imposed by the rule.

If the agency has made a preliminary determination not to implement one (1) or more of the alternative methods considered,

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the agency shall include a statement explaining the agency's reasons for the determination, including a reference to any data, studies, or analyses relied upon by the agency in making the determination.

(b) For purposes of subsection (a), a proposed rule will be fully implemented with respect to small businesses after:

(1) the conclusion of any phase-in period during which:

(A) the rule is gradually made to apply to small businesses or certain types of small businesses; or

(B) the costs of the rule are gradually implemented; and

(2) the rule applies to all small businesses that will be affected by the rule.

In determining the total annual economic impact of the rule under subsection (a)(3), the agency shall consider the annual economic impact on all small businesses beginning with the first twelve (12) month period after the rule is fully implemented. The agency may use actual or forecasted data and may consider the actual and anticipated effects of inflation and deflation. The agency shall describe any assumptions made and any data used in determining the total annual economic impact of a rule under subsection (a)(3).

(c) The agency shall:

(1) publish the statement required under subsection (a) in the Indiana Register as required by IC 4-22-2-24; and

(2) deliver a copy of the statement, along with the proposed rule, to the Indiana economic development corporation not later than the date of publication under subdivision (1).

SECTION 76. IC 4-22-2.5-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.188-2005, SECTION 7, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.215-2005, SECTION 10, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) *and subject to section 3.1 of this chapter,* an agency may readopt all rules subject to expiration under this chapter under one (1) rule that lists all rules that are readopted by their titles and subtitles only. A rule that has expired but is readopted under this subsection may not be removed from the Indiana Administrative Code.

(b) If, not later than thirty (30) days after an agency's publication of notice of its intention to adopt a rule under ~~*IC 4-22-2-24*~~ *IC 4-22-2-23* using the listing allowed under subsection (a), a person submits to the agency a written request and the person's basis for the request that a particular rule be readopted separately from the readoption rule described in subsection (a), the agency must:

(1) readopt that rule separately from the readoption rule described

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in subsection (a); and

(2) follow the procedure for adoption of administrative rules under IC 4-22-2 with respect to the rule.

(c) If the agency does not receive a written request under subsection (b) regarding a rule within thirty (30) days after the agency's publication of notice, the agency may:

(1) submit the rule for filing with the secretary of state under IC 4-22-2-35 and publish notice in the Indiana Register that the agency has readopted the rule; or

(2) elect the procedure for readoption under IC 4-22-2.

SECTION 77. IC 4-22-7-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.215-2005, SECTION 12, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) The secretary of state shall retain the original copy of each rule that has been accepted for filing by the secretary of state (including documents filed with the secretary of state under IC 4-22-2-21) and one (1) copy of any supporting documentation submitted under ~~section 31 of this chapter.~~ **IC 4-22-2-31.** The secretary of state has official custody of an agency's adopted rules.

(b) Within one (1) business day after the date that the secretary of state accepts a rule for filing, the secretary of state shall distribute one (1) copy of the rule to the publisher in the form specified by the publisher. The secretary of state shall also return to the agency one (1) copy of the rule and one (1) copy of any supporting documentation submitted under ~~section 31 of this chapter.~~ **IC 4-22-2-31.** However, the secretary of state may distribute the rule without including the full text of any matter incorporated into the rule.

(c) When the copies are distributed under subsection (b), the secretary of state shall include a notice briefly describing the incorporated matters.

SECTION 78. IC 4-23-5.5-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. As used in this chapter,

~~(1)~~ "board" means the Indiana recycling and energy development board created by this chapter.

~~(2) "department" means the department of commerce; and~~

~~(3) "director" refers to the director of the office of energy policy of the department.~~

SECTION 79. IC 4-23-5.5-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The Indiana recycling and energy development board is created and constitutes a public instrumentality of the state. The exercise by the board of the powers conferred by this chapter is an essential governmental function.

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(b) The board consists of thirteen (13) members, one (1) of whom shall be the lieutenant governor or the lieutenant governor's designee and twelve (12) of whom shall be appointed by the governor for four (4) year terms. The governor's appointees shall be chosen from among representatives of:

(1) the coal industry;

(2) other regulated and nonregulated energy related industries;

(3) Indiana universities and colleges with expertise in:

(A) recycling research and development; or

(B) energy research and development;

(4) agriculture;

(5) labor;

(6) industrial and commercial consumers;

(7) environmental groups; and

(8) private citizens with a special interest in:

(A) recycling; or

(B) energy resources development.

No more than six (6) appointive members shall be of the same political party.

(c) A vacancy in the office of an appointive member, other than by expiration, shall be filled in like manner as the original appointment for the remainder of the term of that retiring member. Appointed members may be removed by the governor for cause.

(d) The board shall have ~~eight (8)~~ **seven (7)** ex officio advisory members as follows:

(1) The governor.

~~(2) The director of the office of energy policy of the department.~~

~~(3)~~ **(2)** The director of the department of natural resources.

~~(4)~~ **(3)** The commissioner of the department of environmental management.

~~(5)~~ **(4)** Two (2) members from the house of representatives of opposite political parties appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives for two (2) year terms.

~~(6)~~ **(5)** Two (2) members from the senate of opposite political parties appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate for two (2) year terms.

(e) The ~~department~~ **office of the lieutenant governor** shall serve as the staff of the board.

SECTION 80. IC 4-23-5.5-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. The ~~director~~ **lieutenant governor or the lieutenant governor's designee** shall be the chief administrative officer for the board and shall direct and

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supervise the administrative affairs and technical activities of the board in accordance with rules, regulations, and policies established by the board. The ~~director~~ **lieutenant governor or the lieutenant governor's designee** may appoint ~~such~~ **the** employees as the board may require and ~~such~~ **the** agents or consultants as may be necessary for implementing this chapter. The ~~director~~ **lieutenant governor or the lieutenant governor's designee** shall prepare an annual administrative budget for review by the budget agency and the budget committee.

SECTION 81. IC 4-23-5.5-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) The board shall do the following:

(1) Adopt procedures for the regulation of its affairs and the conduct of its business.

(2) Meet at the offices of the ~~department~~ **lieutenant governor** on call of the ~~director,~~ **lieutenant governor or the lieutenant governor's designee** at least once each calendar quarter. The meetings shall be upon ten (10) days written notification, shall be open to the public, and shall have official minutes recorded for public scrutiny.

(3) Report annually in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6 to the legislative council the projects in which it has participated and is currently participating with a complete list of expenditures for those projects.

(4) Annually prepare an administrative budget for review by the budget agency and the budget committee.

(5) Keep proper records of accounts and make an annual report of its condition to the state board of accounts.

(b) The board may request that the ~~department~~ **lieutenant governor** conduct assessments of the opportunities and constraints presented by all sources of energy. The board shall encourage the balanced use of all sources of energy with primary emphasis on:

(1) the utilization of Indiana's high sulphur coal; and

(2) the utilization of Indiana's agricultural and forest resources and products for the production of alcohol fuel.

However, the board shall seek to avoid possible undesirable consequences of total reliance on a single source of energy.

(c) The board shall consider projects involving the creation of the following:

(1) Markets for products made from recycled materials.

(2) New products made from recycled materials.

(d) The board may promote, fund, and encourage programs facilitating the development and effective use of all sources of energy

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SECTION 82. IC 4-23-5.5-16 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 16. (a) As used in this section, "center" refers to the center for coal technology research established by IC 4-4-30-5.

(b) The Indiana coal research grant fund is established for the purpose of providing grants for research and other projects designed to develop and expand markets for Indiana coal. The fund shall be administered by the center.

(c) Sources of money for the fund consist of the following:

(1) Appropriations from the general assembly.

(2) Donations, gifts, and money received from any other source, including transfers from other funds or accounts.

(d) Money remaining in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund.

(e) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same manner as other public funds may be invested. Interest that accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the fund.

(f) The center shall establish:

(1) amounts for grants under this section; and

(2) criteria for awarding grants under this section.

(g) A person, business, or manufacturer that wants a grant from the fund must file an application in the manner prescribed by the center.

(h) The center shall appoint a panel of at least eight (8) members to review and make recommendations to the center about each application filed under this section. To be a member of the panel, an individual must be a scientist, a professional engineer registered under IC 25-31-1, or another professional who is familiar with coal combustion, coal properties, coal byproducts, and other coal uses.

(i) The ~~department~~ **lieutenant governor** shall pursue available private and public sources of money for the fund.

SECTION 83. IC 4-23-24.1-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. (a) Each member of the commission who is not a state employee is entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). The member is also entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency. Expenses incurred under this subsection shall be paid out of the funds appropriated to the ~~department~~

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~~of commerce~~ **lieutenant governor** or the civil rights commission.

(b) Each member of the commission who is a state employee but who is not a member of the general assembly is entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

(c) Each member of the commission who is a member of the general assembly is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage, and travel allowances paid to members of the general assembly serving on interim study committees established by the legislative council.

SECTION 84. IC 4-23-28-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) The commission consists of twenty (20) members appointed as follows:

(1) Two (2) members of the senate who may not be affiliated with the same political party, to be appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate.

(2) Two (2) members of the house of representatives who may not be affiliated with the same political party, to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

(3) Four (4) members of the Hispanic/Latino community who are not members of the general assembly, to be appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate.

(4) Four (4) members of the Hispanic/Latino community who are not members of the general assembly, to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

(5) The secretary of family and social services or a designee of the secretary who is a Hispanic or Latino employee of the office of the secretary of family and social services.

(6) The commissioner of the state department of health or a designee of the commissioner who is a Hispanic or Latino employee of the state department of health.

(7) The state superintendent of public instruction or a designee of the superintendent who is a Hispanic or Latino employee of the department of education.

(8) The commissioner of the department of correction or a designee of the commissioner who is a Hispanic or Latino employee of the department of correction.

(9) The director of the civil rights commission or a designee of the director who is a Hispanic or Latino employee of the civil rights commission.

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(10) The ~~director of the department of commerce~~ **lieutenant governor** or a designee of the ~~director~~ **lieutenant governor** who is a Hispanic or Latino employee of the ~~department of commerce.~~ **lieutenant governor.**

(11) A Hispanic or Latino business person, appointed by the governor.

(12) The commissioner of workforce development or a designee of the commissioner who is a Hispanic or Latino employee of the department of workforce development, who shall serve as an ex officio member of the commission.

In making their appointments under this section, the president pro tempore of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives shall attempt to have the greatest possible number of counties represented on the commission.

(b) If a legislative member of the commission ceases to be a member of the chamber from which the member was appointed, the member also ceases to be a member of the commission.

(c) A member of the commission may be removed at any time by the appointing authority who appointed the member.

(d) If a vacancy on the commission occurs, the appointing authority who appointed the former member whose position has become vacant shall appoint an individual to fill the vacancy.

SECTION 85. IC 4-31-8-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. Each applicant for a permit shall, before the opening of the applicant's racing season, request an inspection of the racetrack premises and obtain a certificate from the ~~state fire marshal and state building commissioner~~ **division of fire and building safety** stating that the premises are in compliance with all ~~of the~~ safety requirements. ~~of their respective agencies.~~

SECTION 86. IC 5-1-16-44 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 44. On behalf of the authority, the board of directors or board of managers of the hospital shall, prior to the execution of a contract of lease, submit to and receive the approval of the board of commissioners of the county of the plans, specifications, and estimates of cost for the building or renovation. The plans and specifications shall be submitted to and approved by the state board of health, ~~state building commissioner, state fire marshal,~~ **the division of fire and building safety,** and other state agencies that are required by law to pass on plans and specifications for public buildings.

SECTION 87. IC 5-1-17-18, AS ADDED BY P.L.214-2005, SECTION 6, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE

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UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 18. (a) Subject to subsection (h), the authority may issue bonds for the purpose of obtaining money to pay the cost of:

(1) acquiring real or personal property, including existing capital improvements;

(2) constructing, improving, reconstructing, or renovating one (1) or more capital improvements; or

(3) funding or refunding bonds issued under IC 36-10-8 or IC 36-10-9 or prior law.

(b) The bonds are payable from the lease rentals from the lease of the capital improvements for which the bonds were issued, insurance proceeds, and any other funds pledged or available.

(c) The bonds shall be authorized by a resolution of the board.

(d) The terms and form of the bonds shall either be set out in the resolution or in a form of trust indenture approved by the resolution.

(e) The bonds shall mature within forty (40) years.

(f) The board shall sell the bonds at public or private sale upon the terms determined by the board.

(g) All money received from any bonds issued under this chapter shall be applied to the payment of the cost of the acquisition or construction, or both, of capital improvements, or the cost of refunding or refinancing outstanding bonds, for which the bonds are issued. The cost may include:

(1) planning and development of the facility and all buildings, facilities, structures, and improvements related to it;

(2) acquisition of a site and clearing and preparing the site for construction;

(3) equipment, facilities, structures, and improvements that are necessary or desirable to make the capital improvement suitable for use and operations;

(4) architectural, engineering, consultant, and attorney's fees;

(5) incidental expenses in connection with the issuance and sale of bonds;

(6) reserves for principal and interest;

(7) interest during construction;

(8) financial advisory fees;

(9) insurance during construction;

(10) municipal bond insurance, debt service reserve insurance, letters of credit, or other credit enhancement; and

(11) in the case of refunding or refinancing, payment of the principal of, redemption premiums (if any) for, and interest on, the bonds being refunded or refinanced.

(h) The authority may not issue bonds under this chapter unless the

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authority first finds that the following conditions are met:

(1) Each contract or subcontract for the construction of a facility and all buildings, facilities, structures, and improvements related to that facility to be financed in whole or in part through the issuance of the bonds:

(A) requires payment of the common construction wage required by IC 5-16-7; and

(B) requires the contractor or subcontractor to enter into a project labor agreement as a condition of being awarded and performing work on the contract.

(2) The capital improvement board and the authority have entered into a written agreement concerning the terms of the financing of the facility. This agreement must include the following provisions:

(A) Notwithstanding any other law, if the capital improvement board selected a construction manager and an architect for a facility before May 15, 2005, the authority will contract with that construction manager and architect and use plans as developed by that construction manager and architect. In addition, any other agreements entered into by the capital improvement board or a political subdivision served by the capital improvement board with respect to the design and construction of the facility will be reviewed by a selection committee consisting of:

(i) two (2) of the members appointed to the board of directors of the authority under section 7(a)(1) of this chapter, as designated by the governor;

(ii) the two (2) members appointed to the board of directors of the authority under section 7(a)(2) of this chapter; and

(iii) the executive director of the authority.

The selection committee is not bound by any prior commitments of the capital improvement board or the political subdivision, other than the general project design, and will approve all contracts necessary for the design and construction of the facility.

(B) If before May 15, 2005, the capital improvement board acquired any land, plans, or other information necessary for the facility and the board had budgeted for these items, the capital improvement board will transfer the land, plans, or other information useful to the authority for a price not to exceed the lesser of:

(i) the actual cost to the capital improvement board; or

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(ii) three million five hundred thousand dollars ($3,500,000).

(C) The capital improvement board agrees to take any legal action that the authority considers necessary to facilitate the financing of the facility, including entering into agreements during the design and construction of the facility or a sublease of a capital improvement to any state agency that is then leased by the authority to any state agency under section 26 of this chapter.

(D) The capital improvement board is prohibited from taking any other action with respect to the financing of the facility without the prior approval of the authority. The authority is not bound by the terms of any agreement entered into by the capital improvement board with respect to the financing of the facility without the prior approval of the authority.

(E) As the project financier, the Indiana ~~development~~ finance authority (or its successor agency) and the public finance director will be responsible for selecting all investment bankers, bond counsel, trustees, and financial advisors.

(F) The capital improvement board agrees to deliver to the authority the one hundred million dollars ($100,000,000) that is owed to the capital improvement board, the consolidated city, or the county having a consolidated city pursuant to an agreement between the National Football League franchised professional football team and the capital improvement board, the consolidated city, or the county. This amount shall be applied to the cost of construction for the stadium part of the facility. This amount does not have to be delivered until a lease is entered into for the stadium between the authority and the capital improvement board.

(G) The authority agrees to consult with the staff of the capital improvement board on an as needed basis during the design and construction of the facility, and the capital improvement board agrees to make its staff available for this purpose.

(H) The authority, the county, the consolidated city, the capital improvement board and the National Football League franchised professional football team must commit to using their best efforts to assist and cooperate with one another to design and construct the facility on time and on budget.

(3) The capital improvement board and the National Football League franchised professional football team have entered into a lease for the stadium part of the facility that has been approved by

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the authority and has a term of at least thirty (30) years.

SECTION 88. IC 5-2-1-9, AS AMENDED BY P.L.2-2005, SECTION 12, P.L.52-2005, SECTION 6, P.L.170-2005, SECTION 8, AND P.L.227-2005, SECTION 2, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. (a) The board shall adopt in accordance with IC 4-22-2 all necessary rules to carry out the provisions of this chapter. ~~*Such*~~ *The* rules, which shall be adopted only after necessary and proper investigation and inquiry by the board, shall include the establishment of the following:

(1) Minimum standards of physical, educational, mental, and moral fitness which shall govern the acceptance of any person for training by any law enforcement training school or academy meeting or exceeding the minimum standards established pursuant to this chapter.

(2) Minimum standards for law enforcement training schools administered by towns, cities, counties, ~~*the northwest Indiana*~~ law enforcement training ~~*center,*~~ *centers,* agencies, or departments of the state.

(3) Minimum standards for courses of study, attendance requirements, equipment, and facilities for approved town, city, county, and state law enforcement officer, police reserve officer, and conservation reserve officer training schools.

(4) Minimum standards for a course of study on cultural diversity awareness that must be required for each person accepted for training at a law enforcement training school or academy.

(5) Minimum qualifications for instructors at approved law enforcement training schools.

(6) Minimum basic training requirements which law enforcement officers appointed to probationary terms shall complete before being eligible for continued or permanent employment.

(7) Minimum basic training requirements which law enforcement officers ~~*not appointed for probationary terms but*~~ appointed on other than a permanent basis shall complete in order to be eligible for continued employment or permanent appointment.

(8) Minimum basic training requirements which law enforcement officers appointed on a permanent basis shall complete in order to be eligible for continued employment.

(9) Minimum basic training requirements for each person accepted for training at a law enforcement training school or academy that include six (6) hours of training in interacting with persons with mental illness, addictive disorders, mental retardation, and developmental disabilities, to be provided by

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persons approved by the secretary of family and social services and the ~~*law enforcement training*~~ board.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (l), a law enforcement officer appointed after July 5, 1972, and before July 1, 1993, may not enforce the laws or ordinances of the state or any political subdivision unless the officer has, within one (1) year from the date of appointment, successfully completed the minimum basic training requirements established under this chapter by the board. If a person fails to successfully complete the basic training requirements within one (1) year from the date of employment, the officer may not perform any of the duties of a law enforcement officer involving control or direction of members of the public or exercising the power of arrest until the officer has successfully completed the training requirements. This subsection does not apply to any law enforcement officer appointed before July 6, 1972, or after June 30, 1993.

(c) Military leave or other authorized leave of absence from law enforcement duty during the first year of employment after July 6, 1972, shall toll the running of the first year, which ~~in such cases~~ shall be calculated by the aggregate of the time before and after the leave, for the purposes of this chapter.

(d) Except as provided in subsections (e), ~~*and*~~ (l), *and* ~~*(n),*~~ **(q),** a law enforcement officer appointed to a law enforcement department or agency after June 30, 1993, may not:

(1) make an arrest;

(2) conduct a search or a seizure of a person or property; or

(3) carry a firearm;

unless the law enforcement officer successfully completes, at a board certified law enforcement academy ~~*at the southwest Indiana law enforcement training academy under section 10.5 of this chapter,*~~ or at ~~*the northwest Indiana*~~ *a* law enforcement training center under section *10.5 or* 15.2 of this chapter, the basic training requirements established by the board under this chapter.

(e) *This subsection does not apply to a gaming agent employed as a law enforcement officer by the Indiana gaming commission.* Before a law enforcement officer appointed after June 30, 1993, completes the basic training requirements, the law enforcement officer may exercise the police powers described in subsection (d) if the officer successfully completes the pre-basic course established in subsection (f). Successful completion of the pre-basic course authorizes a law enforcement officer to exercise the police powers described in subsection (d) for one (1) year after the date the law enforcement officer is appointed.

(f) The board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to establish a

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pre-basic course for the purpose of training:

(1) law enforcement officers;

(2) police reserve officers (as described in IC 36-8-3-20); and

(3) conservation reserve officers (as described in IC 14-9-8-27);

regarding the subjects of arrest, search and seizure, *the lawful* use of force, and ~~*firearm qualification.*~~ *the operation of an emergency vehicle.* The pre-basic course must be offered on a periodic basis throughout the year at regional sites statewide. The pre-basic course must consist of *at least* forty (40) hours of course work. The board may prepare ~~*a*~~ *the classroom part of the* pre-basic course ~~*on videotape that must be used*~~ *using available technology* in conjunction with live instruction. The board shall provide the course material, the instructors, and the facilities at the regional sites throughout the state that are used for the pre-basic course. In addition, the board may certify pre-basic courses that may be conducted by other public or private training entities, including colleges and universities.

(g) The board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to establish a mandatory inservice training program for police officers. After June 30, 1993, a law enforcement officer who has satisfactorily completed ~~*the*~~ basic training and has been appointed to a law enforcement department or agency on either a full-time or part-time basis is not eligible for continued employment unless the officer satisfactorily completes ~~*a minimum of sixteen (16) hours each year of inservice training in any subject area included in the law enforcement academy's basic training course or other job related subjects that are approved by the board as determined by the law enforcement department's or agency's needs.*~~ *the mandatory inservice training requirements established by rules adopted by the board.* Inservice training must include training in interacting with persons with mental illness, addictive disorders, mental retardation, and developmental disabilities, to be provided by persons approved by the secretary of family and social services and the ~~*law enforcement training*~~ *board.* ~~*In addition, a certified academy staff may develop and make available inservice training programs on a regional or local basis.*~~ The board may approve courses offered by other public or private training entities, including colleges and universities, as necessary in order to ensure the availability of an adequate number of inservice training programs. The board may waive an officer's inservice training requirements if the board determines that the officer's reason for lacking the required amount of inservice training hours is due to ~~*any*~~ *either* of the following:

(1) An emergency situation.

(2) The unavailability of courses.

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(h) The board shall also adopt rules establishing a town marshal basic training program, subject to the following:

(1) The program must require fewer hours of instruction and class attendance and fewer courses of study than are required for the mandated basic training program.

(2) Certain parts of the course materials may be studied by a candidate at the candidate's home in order to fulfill requirements of the program.

(3) Law enforcement officers successfully completing the requirements of the program are eligible for appointment only in towns employing the town marshal system (IC 36-5-7) and having ~~no~~ *not* more than one (1) marshal and two (2) deputies.

(4) The limitation imposed by subdivision (3) does not apply to an officer who has successfully completed the mandated basic training program.

(5) The time limitations imposed by subsections (b) and (c) for completing the training are also applicable to the town marshal basic training program.

(i) The board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to establish ~~a police chief~~ *an* executive training program. The *executive training* program must include training in the following areas:

(1) Liability.

(2) Media relations.

(3) Accounting and administration.

(4) Discipline.

(5) Department policy making.

~~(6) Firearm policies.~~

(6) Lawful use of force.

(7) Department programs.

(8) Emergency vehicle operation.

(9) Cultural diversity.

(j) A police chief shall apply for admission to the ~~police chief~~ executive training program within two (2) months of the date the police chief initially takes office. A police chief must successfully complete the ~~police chief~~ executive training program within six (6) months of the date the police chief initially takes office. However, if space in the *executive training* program is not available at a time that will allow ~~the police chief to complete~~ *completion of* the *executive training* program within six (6) months of the date the police chief initially takes office, the police chief must successfully complete the next available *executive training* program that is offered ~~to the police chief~~ after the police chief initially takes office.

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(k) A police chief who fails to comply with subsection (j) may not *continue to* serve as the police chief until ~~*the police chief has completed the police chief*~~ *completion of the* executive training program. For the purposes of this subsection and subsection (j), "police chief" refers to:

(1) the police chief of any city; ~~*and*~~

(2) the police chief of any town having a metropolitan police department; *and*

(3) the chief of a consolidated law enforcement department established under IC 36-3-1-5.1.

A town marshal is not considered to be a police chief for these purposes, but a town marshal may enroll in the ~~*police chief*~~ executive training program.

(l) ~~An~~ **A fire** investigator in the ~~arson division of the office of the state fire marshal~~ **division of fire and building safety** appointed

~~*(1) before January 1, 1994, is not required, or*~~

~~*(2)*~~ after December 31, 1993, is required

to comply with the basic training standards established under this ~~*section.*~~ *chapter.*

(m) The board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to establish a program to certify handgun safety courses, including courses offered in the private sector, that meet standards approved by the board for training probation officers in handgun safety as required by IC 11-13-1-3.5(3).

(n) The board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to establish a refresher course for an officer who:

(1) is hired by an Indiana law enforcement department or agency as a law enforcement officer;

(2) worked as a full-time law enforcement officer for at least one (1) year before the officer is hired under subdivision (1);

(3) has not been employed as a law enforcement officer for at least two (2) years and less than six (6) years before the officer is hired under subdivision (1) due to the officer's resignation or retirement; and

(4) completed a basic training course certified by the board before the officer is hired under subdivision (1).

(o) An officer to whom subsection (n) applies must successfully complete the refresher course described in subsection (n) not later than six (6) months after the officer's date of hire, or the officer loses the officer's powers of:

(1) arrest;

(2) search; and

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(3) seizure.

(p) A law enforcement officer who:

(1) has completed a basic training course certified by the board; and

(2) has not been employed as a law enforcement officer in the six (6) years before the officer is hired as a law enforcement officer;

is not eligible to attend the refresher course described in subsection (n) and must repeat the full basic training course to regain law enforcement powers.

~~(n)~~ **(q)** *This subsection applies only to a gaming agent employed as a law enforcement officer by the Indiana gaming commission. A gaming agent appointed after June 30, 2005, may exercise the police powers described in subsection (d) if:*

(1) the agent successfully completes the pre-basic course established in subsection (f); and

(2) the agent successfully completes any other training courses established by the Indiana gaming commission in conjunction with the board.

SECTION 89. IC 5-2-1-14, AS AMENDED BY P.L.52-2005, SECTION 10, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 14. There is hereby created the position of executive director of the law enforcement training board. The executive director shall be selected by the board and the executive director's tenure of office shall be protected by a four (4) year, renewable contract of employment which may be terminated earlier by the board only for inefficiency, incompetence, neglect of duty, or other good cause after having been accorded a hearing by the board upon reasonable notice of the charge being made against the executive director. A vote of at least eleven (11) members of the board shall be necessary for the early termination of said contract of employment. The executive director shall be selected on the basis of education, training, and experience and shall have at least ten (10) years experience as an active law enforcement officer, at least five (5) years of which shall have been in an executive or administrative capacity. The executive director shall perform such duties as may be assigned by the board and shall be the chief administrative officer of the law enforcement academy. The salary and compensation for the executive director, the training staff, and employees shall be fixed by the board with the approval of the governor. The executive director shall establish a table of organization to be supplemented with job descriptions for each position subordinate to that of the executive director, all of which shall be subject to the approval of the board. All persons hired to fill such

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approved vacancies shall be selected on the basis of qualifications and merit based on training, education, and experience through competitive examinations except that the filling of all new positions shall be made so as to maintain in each equivalent position not more than one-half (1/2) of members of either of the two (2) major political parties. Employees and members of the training staff shall not be subject to discharge, demotion, or suspension because of political affiliation, but may be discharged, demoted, or suspended only for cause after charges ~~perferred~~ **preferred** in writing by the executive director. Any person so discharged or disciplined shall have a right to a hearing before the board if such person requests a hearing by giving notice to the executive director within fifteen (15) days after receiving written notice of discharge or disciplinary action. Procedures shall be consistent with IC 4-21.5.

SECTION 90. IC 5-2-10.1-12, AS ADDED BY P.L.106-2005, SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. (a) Each school within a school corporation shall establish a safe school committee. The committee may be a subcommittee of the committee that develops the strategic and continuous school improvement and achievement plan under ~~IC 20-10.2-3.~~ **IC 20-31-5.**

(b) The department of education and the school corporation's school safety specialist shall provide materials to assist a safe school committee in developing a plan for the school that addresses the following issues:

(1) Unsafe conditions, crime prevention, school violence, bullying, and other issues that prevent the maintenance of a safe school.

(2) Professional development needs for faculty and staff to implement methods that decrease problems identified under subdivision (1).

(3) Methods to encourage:

(A) involvement by the community and students;

(B) development of relationships between students and school faculty and staff; and

(C) use of problem solving teams.

SECTION 91. IC 5-2-11-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. A county drug free community fund is established in each county to promote comprehensive local alcohol and drug abuse prevention initiatives by supplementing local funding for treatment, education, and criminal justice efforts. The fund consists of amounts deposited under

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~~IC 33-37-7-1(c),~~ IC 33-37-7-2(c) ~~IC 33-37-7-7(c),~~ and IC 33-37-7-8(e).

SECTION 92. IC 5-2-14-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. The task force consists of the following members:

(1) The superintendent of the state police department or the superintendent's designee.

(2) The commissioner of the state department of health or the commissioner's designee.

(3) The state superintendent of public instruction or the state superintendent's designee.

(4) The commissioner of the department of environmental management or the commissioner's designee.

(5) The **executive** director of the ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** or the **executive** director's designee.

(6) The secretary of family and social services or the secretary's designee.

(7) A judge, to be appointed by the governor.

(8) A prosecuting attorney, to be appointed by the governor.

(9) A county public defender, to be appointed by the governor.

(10) A sheriff from a county with a population less than thirty thousand (30,000), to be appointed by the governor, or the sheriff's designee.

(11) A sheriff from a county with a population greater than one hundred thousand (100,000), to be appointed by the governor, or the sheriff's designee.

(12) A chief of police from a first or second class city, to be appointed by the governor, or the chief's designee.

(13) A chief of police from a third class city, to be appointed by the governor, or the chief's designee.

(14) One (1) mental health professional with expertise in the treatment of drug addiction, to be appointed by the governor.

(15) A physician with experience in treating individuals who have been:

(A) injured by an explosion or a fire in a methamphetamine laboratory; or

(B) harmed by contact with methamphetamine precursors;

to be appointed by the governor.

(16) One (1) primary or secondary school professional with experience in educating children concerning the danger of methamphetamine abuse, to be appointed by the governor.

(17) Five (5) persons:

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(A) one (1) representing a retail grocery;
(B) one (1) representing a retail pharmacy;
(C) one (1) representing a retail hardware store;
(D) one (1) representing convenience stores; and
(E) one (1) representing retail propane gas dealers;

with experience in combating the sale of methamphetamine precursors, to be appointed by the governor.

(18) A representative of the farming industry with knowledge of the problem of theft of anhydrous ammonia for use in the manufacture of methamphetamine, to be appointed by the governor.

(19) An individual appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

(20) An individual appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate.

(21) A probation officer appointed by the governor.

(22) A pharmaceutical manufacturer representative appointed by the governor.

SECTION 93. IC 5-8-1-37, AS AMENDED BY P.L.113-2005, SECTION 2, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.119-2005, SECTION 25, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 37. (a) As used in this section:

(1) "Felony" ~~*means any crime punishable by imprisonment for more than one (1) year in any correctional facility.*~~ *has the meaning set forth in IC 3-8-1-5.*

(2) "Public officer" means any person, elected or appointed, who holds any state, county, township, city, or town office.

(b) Any public officer convicted of a felony during the officer's term of office shall:

(1) be removed from office by operation of law when: ~~*the officer is sentenced for the felony,*~~

(A) in a jury trial, a jury publicly announces a verdict against the person for a felony;

(B) in a bench trial, the court publicly announces a verdict against the person for a felony; or

(C) in a guilty plea hearing, the person pleads guilty or nolo contendere to a felony; and

(2) not receive any salary or remuneration from the time ~~*the officer is sentenced for the felony.*~~ *the officer is removed from office under subdivision (1).*

(c) The reduction of a felony to a Class A misdemeanor under IC 35-50-2-7 or IC 35-38-1-1.5 does not affect the operation of

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subsection (b).

~~(c)~~ *(d)* If the conviction is: ~~*reversed, vacated, or set aside,*~~

(1) reversed;

(2) vacated;

(3) set aside;

(4) for a felony other than a felony arising out of an action taken in the officer's official capacity, reduced to a Class A misdemeanor under IC 35-50-2-7 or IC 35-38-1-1.5; or

(5) not entered because the trial court did not accept the guilty plea;

and the officer's term has not expired, the officer shall ~~*(1)*~~ be reinstated in office and ~~*(2)*~~ receive any salary or other remuneration which the officer would have received had the officer not been removed from office.

~~*(d)*~~ *(e)* If the conviction is reversed, vacated, or set aside, and the officer's term has expired, the officer shall receive any salary or other remuneration which the officer would have received had ~~*he*~~ *the officer* not been removed from office.

~~*(e)*~~ *(f)* Every vacancy in a public office caused by the removal of a public officer under this section shall be filled as provided by law. If a convicted public officer is reinstated, the person filling the office during the appeal shall cease to hold the office.

~~*(f)*~~ **(g)** *This subsection applies whenever:*

(1) the court imposes on a public officer a sentence for a felony, as referred to in subsection (b); and

(2) a vacancy occurs in a state, county, township, city, or town office as the result of the court's sentence.

The court must file a certified copy of the sentencing order with the person who is entitled under IC 5-8-6 to receive notice of the death of an individual holding the office. The person receiving a copy of the sentencing order must give notice of the vacancy in the same manner as if the person had received a notice under IC 5-8-6. The person who is required or permitted to fill the vacancy must comply with IC 3-13.

~~*(g)*~~ **(h)** *This subsection applies if a public officer is reinstated in office under* ~~*subsection (c).*~~ **subsection (d).** *The court must file a certified copy of the order reversing, vacating, or setting aside the conviction with the person who is entitled under IC 5-8-6 to receive notice of the death of an individual holding the office. The person receiving a copy of the order must give notice of the reinstatement in the same manner as notice of a vacancy would be given under IC 5-8-6. In addition, the person receiving a copy of the order must also give notice to the person who was selected to fill the vacancy*

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before the reinstatement occurred.

SECTION 94. IC 5-10-1.1-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.220-2005, SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. (a) Any political subdivision (as defined ~~by~~ **in** IC 36-1-2-13) may establish for its employees a deferred compensation plan. The plan shall be selected by the governing body of the political subdivision, which in the case of a unit subject to IC 36-1-3 shall be done by ordinance. Participation shall be by written agreement between each employee and the governing body of the political subdivision, which agreement provides for the deferral of compensation and subsequent administration of such funds.

(b) For funding such agreements, the governing body of the political subdivision may:

(1) designate one (1) of its agencies or departments to establish and administer such plans and choose such funding as deemed appropriate by the agency or department, which may include more than one (1) funding product;

(2) extend the state employees' deferred compensation plan to employees of the political subdivision, subject to the terms and conditions of the state employees' deferred compensation plan as it is established from time to time; or

(3) offer both ~~of the plans~~ **a plan** described in ~~subdivisions~~ **subdivision** (1) and **the plan described in subdivision** (2).

(c) This section does not limit the power or authority of any political subdivision to establish and administer other plans deemed appropriate by the governing bodies of such subdivisions, including plans established under section 1(2) of this chapter.

SECTION 95. IC 5-10-1.7-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. In addition to any other investment power given to a board, a board may invest as much of its trust funds as are not required for current disbursements in mortgage-backed bonds or notes issued by the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority under IC 5-20-1.

SECTION 96. IC 5-10-8-6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.24-2005, SECTION 1, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.170-2005, SECTION 15, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) The state police department, conservation officers of the department of natural resources, *gaming agents of the Indiana gaming commission,* and the state excise police may establish common and unified plans of self-insurance for their employees, including retired employees, as separate entities of state government. These plans may be administered

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by a private agency, business firm, limited liability company, or corporation.

(b) *Except as provided in IC 5-10-14,* the state agencies listed in subsection (a) may not pay as the employer ~~*portion*~~ *part* of benefits for any employee or retiree an amount greater than that paid for other state employees for group insurance.

SECTION 97. IC 5-10-10-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.10-2005, SECTION 1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.170-2005, SECTION 16, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.227-2005, SECTION 3, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "public safety officer" means any of the following:

(1) A state police officer.
(2) A county sheriff.
(3) A county police officer.
(4) A correctional officer.
(5) An excise police officer.
(6) A county police reserve officer.
(7) A city police reserve officer.
(8) A conservation enforcement officer.
(9) A town marshal.
(10) A deputy town marshal.
(11) A probation officer.
(12) A state university, *college, or junior college* police officer appointed under IC 20-12-3.5.
(13) A police officer whose employer purchases coverage under section 4.5 of this chapter.
~~*(13)*~~ *(14)* An emergency medical services provider (as defined in IC 16-41-10-1) who is:
(A) employed by a political subdivision (as defined in IC 36-1-2-13); and
(B) not eligible for a special death benefit under IC 36-8-6-20, IC 36-8-7-26, IC 36-8-7.5-22, or IC 36-8-8-20.
~~*(14)*~~ *(15)* A firefighter who is employed by the fire department of a state university.
(16) A firefighter whose employer purchases coverage under section 4.5 of this chapter.
~~*(15)*~~ **(17)** *A member of a consolidated law enforcement department established under IC 36-3-1-5.1.*
~~*(15)*~~ **(18)** *A gaming agent of the Indiana gaming commission.*

SECTION 98. IC 5-10-10-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.10-2005, SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE

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UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) The special death benefit fund is established for the purpose of paying lump sum death benefits under section 6 of this chapter. The fund consists of the fees remitted to the board under **IC 35-33-8-3.2 and** section 4.5 of this chapter. The fund shall be administered by the board. The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from money in the fund.

(b) The board shall invest the money in the fund not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same manner as the board's other funds may be invested. Interest that accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the fund.

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

SECTION 99. IC 5-11-5.5-7, AS ADDED BY P.L.222-2005, SECTION 23, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. (a) This section does not apply to an action brought by:

(1) the attorney general;
(2) the inspector general;
(3) a prosecuting attorney; or
(4) a state employee in the employee's official capacity.

(b) A court does not have jurisdiction over an action brought under section 4 of this chapter that is based on information discovered by a present or former state employee in the course of the employee's employment, unless:

(1) the employee, acting in good faith, has exhausted existing internal procedures for reporting and recovering the amount owed the state; and
(2) the state has failed to act on the information reported by the employee within a reasonable amount of time.

(c) A court does not have jurisdiction over an action brought under section 4 of this chapter if the action is brought by an incarcerated offender, including an offender incarcerated in another jurisdiction.

(d) A court does not have jurisdiction over an action brought under section 4 of this chapter against the state, a state officer, a judge (as defined in IC 33-23-11-7), a justice, a member of the general assembly, a state employee, or an employee of a political subdivision, if the action is based ~~in~~ **on** information known to the state at the time the action was brought.

(e) A court does not have jurisdiction over an action brought under section 4 of this chapter if the action is based upon an act that is the subject of a civil suit, a criminal prosecution, or an administrative proceeding in which the state is a party.

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(f) A court does not have jurisdiction over an action brought under section 4 of this chapter if the action is based upon information contained in:

(1) a transcript of a criminal, a civil, or an administrative hearing;

(2) a legislative, an administrative, or another public report, hearing, audit, or investigation; or

(3) a news media report;

unless the person bringing the action has direct and independent knowledge of the information that is the basis of the action, and the person bringing the action has voluntarily provided this information to the state.

SECTION 100. IC 5-11-5.5-15, AS ADDED BY P.L.222-2005, SECTION 23, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 15. (a) The official who issued the civil investigative demand is the custodian of the documentary material, answers to interrogatories, and transcripts of oral testimony received under this chapter.

(b) An investigator who receives documentary material, answers to interrogatories, or transcripts of oral testimony under this section shall transmit them to the official who issued the civil investigative demand. The official shall take physical possession of the material, answers, or transcripts and is responsible for the use made of them and for the return of documentary material.

(c) The official who issued the civil investigative demand may make copies of documentary material, answers to interrogatories, or transcripts of oral testimony as required for official use by the attorney general, the inspector general, or the state police. The material, answers, or transcripts may be used in connection with the taking of oral testimony under this chapter.

(d) Except as provided in subsection (e), documentary material, answers to interrogatories, or transcripts of oral testimony, while in the possession of the official who issued the civil investigative demand, may not be made available for examination to any person other than:

(1) the attorney general or designated personnel of the attorney general's office;

(2) the inspector general or designated personnel of the inspector general's office; or

(3) an officer of the state police who has been authorized by the official who issued the civil investigative demand.

(e) The restricted availability of documentary material, answers to interrogatories, or transcripts of oral testimony does not apply:

(1) if the person who provided:

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(A) the documentary material, answers to interrogatories, or oral testimony; or

(B) a product of discovery that includes documentary material, answers to interrogatories, or oral testimony;

consents to disclosure;

(2) to the general assembly or a committee or subcommittee of the general assembly; or

(3) to a state agency that requires the information to carry out its statutory responsibility.

Documentary material, answers to interrogatories, or transcripts of oral testimony requested by a state agency may be disclosed only under a court order finding that the state agency has a substantial need for the use of the information in carrying out its statutory responsibility.

(f) While in the possession of the official who issued the civil investigative demand, documentary material, answers to interrogatories, or transcripts of oral testimony shall be made available to the person, or to the representative of the person who produced the material, answered the interrogatories, or gave oral testimony. The official who issued the civil investigative demand may impose reasonable conditions upon the examination ~~of~~ **or** use of the documentary material, answers to interrogatories, or transcripts of oral testimony.

(g) The official who issued the civil investigative demand and any attorney employed in the same office as the official who issued the civil investigative demand may use the documentary material, answers to interrogatories, or transcripts of oral testimony in connection with a proceeding before a grand jury, a court, or an agency. Upon the completion of the proceeding, the attorney shall return to the official who issued the civil investigative demand any documentary material, answers to interrogatories, or transcripts of oral testimony that are not under the control of the grand jury, court, or agency.

(h) Upon written request of a person who produced documentary material in response to a civil investigative demand, the official who issued the civil investigative demand shall return any documentary material in the official's possession to the person who produced documentary material, if:

(1) a proceeding before a grand jury, a court, or an agency involving the documentary material has been completed; or

(2) a proceeding before a grand jury, a court, or an agency involving the documentary material has not been commenced within a reasonable time after the completion of the investigation.

The official who issued the civil investigative demand is not required

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to return documentary material that is in the custody of a grand jury, a court, or an agency.

SECTION 101. IC 5-13-12-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.235-2005, SECTION 81, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. (a) The board for depositories shall manage and operate the insurance fund. All expenses incident to the administration of the fund shall be paid out of the money accumulated in it subject to the direction of the board for depositories.

(b) Effective January 1 and July 1 in each year, the board shall before those dates redetermine the amount of the reserve to be maintained by the insurance fund. The establishment or any change in the reserve for losses shall be determined by the board based on a study to be made or updated by actuaries, economists, or other consultants based on the history of losses, earnings on the funds, conditions of the depositories, economic conditions affecting particular depositories or depositories in general, and any other factors that the board considers relevant in making its determination. The reserve determined by the board must be sufficient to ensure the safekeeping and prompt payment of public funds to the extent they are not covered by insurance of any federal deposit insurance agency.

(c) At the end of each biennial period during which depositories have had public funds on deposit under this chapter and paid the assessments levied by the board, the board shall compute its receipts from assessments and all other sources and its expenses and losses and determine the profit derived from the operation of the fund for the period. Until the amount of the reserve for losses has been accumulated, all assessments levied for a biennial period shall be retained by the fund. The amount of the assessments, if any, levied by the board shall, to the extent the fund exceeds the reserve for losses at the end of a biennial period commencing July 1 of each odd-numbered year, be distributed to the depositories that had public funds on deposit during the biennial period in which the assessments were paid. The distribution shall be made to the respective depositories in the proportion that the total assessments paid by each depository during that period bears to the total assessments then paid by all depositories. A distribution to which any closed depository would otherwise be entitled shall be set off against any claim that the insurance fund may have against the closed depository.

(d) The board may invest, reinvest, and exchange investments of the insurance fund in excess of the cash working balance in any of the following:

(1) In bonds, notes, certificates, and other valid obligations of the

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United States, either directly or, subject to the limitations in subsection (e), in the form of securities of or other interests in an open-end no-load management-type investment company or investment trust registered under the provisions of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (15 U.S.C. 80a et seq.).

(2) In bonds, notes, debentures, and other securities issued by a federal agency or a federal instrumentality and fully guaranteed by the United States either directly or, subject to the limitations in subsection (e), in the form of securities of or other interests in an open-end no-load management-type investment company or investment trust registered under the provisions of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (15 U.S.C. 80a et seq.).

(3) In bonds, notes, certificates, and other valid obligations of a state or of an Indiana political subdivision that are issued under law, the issuers of which, for five (5) years before the date of the investment, have promptly paid the principal and interest on their bonds and other legal obligations.

(4) In bonds or other obligations of the Indiana finance authority issued under IC 4-13.5.

(5) In investments permitted the state under IC 5-13-10.5.

(6) In guarantees of industrial development obligations or credit enhancement obligations, or both, for the purposes of retaining and increasing employment in enterprises in Indiana, subject to the limitations and conditions set out in this subdivision, subsection (e), and section 8 of this chapter. An individual guarantee of the board under this subdivision must not exceed eight million dollars ($8,000,000).

(7) In guarantees of bonds or notes issued under IC 5-1.5-4-1, subject to the limitations and conditions set out in subsection (e) and section 8 of this chapter.

(8) In bonds, notes, or other valid obligations of the Indiana finance authority that have been issued in conjunction with the authority's acquisition, development, or improvement of property or other interests for an industrial development project (as defined in IC 4-4-10.9-11) that the authority has undertaken for the purposes of retaining or increasing employment in existing or new enterprises in Indiana, subject to the limitations in subsection (e).

(9) In notes or other debt obligations of counties, cities, and towns that have been issued under IC 6-1.1-39 for borrowings from the industrial development fund under IC 5-28-9 for purposes of retaining or increasing employment in existing or new enterprises in Indiana, subject to the limitations in subsection (e).

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(10) In bonds or other obligations of the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority.

(e) The investment authority of the board under subsection (d) is subject to the following limitations:

(1) For investments under subsection (d)(1) and (d)(2), the portfolio of an open-end no-load management-type investment company or investment trust must be limited to:

(A) direct obligations of the United States and obligations of a federal agency or a federal instrumentality that are fully guaranteed by the United States; and

(B) repurchase agreements fully collateralized by obligations described in clause (A), of which the company or trust takes delivery either directly or through an authorized custodian.

(2) Total outstanding investments in guarantees of industrial development obligations and credit enhancement obligations under subsection (d)(6) must not exceed the greater of:

(A) ten percent (10%) of the available balance of the insurance fund; or

(B) fourteen million dollars ($14,000,000).

(3) Total outstanding investments in guarantees of bond bank obligations under subsection (d)(7) must not exceed the greater of:

(A) twenty percent (20%) of the available balance of the insurance fund; or

(B) twenty-four million dollars ($24,000,000).

(4) Total outstanding investments in bonds, notes, or other obligations of the Indiana finance authority under subsection (d)(8) may not exceed the greater of:

(A) fifteen percent (15%) of the available balance of the insurance fund; or

(B) twenty million dollars ($20,000,000).

However, after June 30, 1988, the board may not make any additional investment in bonds, notes, or other obligations of the Indiana finance authority issued under IC 4-4-11, and the board may invest an amount equal to the remainder, if any, of:

(i) fifteen percent (15%) of the available balance of the insurance fund; minus

(ii) the board's total outstanding investments in bonds, notes, or other obligations of the Indiana finance authority issued under IC 4-4-11;

in guarantees of industrial development obligations or credit enhancement obligations, or both, as authorized by subsection

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(d)(6). In such a case, the outstanding investments, as authorized by subsection (d)(6) and (d)(8), may not exceed in total the greater of twenty-five percent (25%) of the available balance of the insurance fund or thirty-four million dollars ($34,000,000).

(5) Total outstanding investments in notes or other debt obligations of counties, cities, and towns under subsection (d)(9) may not exceed the greater of:

(A) ten percent (10%) of the available balance of the insurance fund; or

(B) twelve million dollars ($12,000,000).

(f) For purposes of subsection (e), the available balance of the insurance fund does not include the outstanding principal amount of any fund investment in a corporate note or obligation or the part of the fund that has been established as a reserve for losses.

(g) Except as provided in section 4 of this chapter, all interest and other income earned on investments of the insurance fund and all amounts collected by the board accrue to the fund.

(h) Members of the board and any officers or employees of the board are not subject to personal liability or accountability by reason of any investment in any of the obligations listed in subsection (d).

(i) The board shall, when directed by the state board of finance constituted by IC 4-9.1-1-1, purchase the loan made by the state board of finance under IC 4-10-18-10(i). The loan shall be purchased by the board at a purchase price equal to the total of:

(1) the principal amount of the loan;

(2) the deferred interest payable on the loan; and

(3) accrued interest to the date of purchase by the board.

Members of the board and any officers or employees of the board are not subject to personal liability or accountability by reason of the purchase of the loan under this subsection.

SECTION 102. IC 5-14-3-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.2-2005, SECTION 16, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.170-2005, SECTION 17, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. ~~*As used in*~~ *(a) The definitions set forth in this section apply throughout* this chapter.

(b) "Copy" includes transcribing by handwriting, photocopying, xerography, duplicating machine, duplicating electronically stored data onto a disk, tape, drum, or any other medium of electronic data storage, and reproducing by any other means.

(c) "Direct cost" means one hundred five percent (105%) of the sum of the cost of:

(1) the initial development of a program, if any;

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(2) the labor required to retrieve electronically stored data; and

(3) any medium used for electronic output;

for providing a duplicate of electronically stored data onto a disk, tape, drum, or other medium of electronic data retrieval under section 8(g) of this chapter, or for reprogramming a computer system under section 6(c) of this chapter.

(d) "Electronic map" means copyrighted data provided by a public agency from an electronic geographic information system.

(e) "Enhanced access" means the inspection of a public record by a person other than a governmental entity and that:

(1) is by means of an electronic device other than an electronic device provided by a public agency in the office of the public agency; or

(2) requires the compilation or creation of a list or report that does not result in the permanent electronic storage of the information.

(f) "Facsimile machine" means a machine that electronically transmits exact images through connection with a telephone network.

(g) "Inspect" includes the right to do the following:

(1) Manually transcribe and make notes, abstracts, or memoranda.

(2) In the case of tape recordings or other aural public records, to listen and manually transcribe or duplicate, or make notes, abstracts, or other memoranda from them.

(3) In the case of public records available:

(A) by enhanced access under section 3.5 of this chapter; or

(B) to a governmental entity under section 3(c)(2) of this chapter;

to examine and copy the public records by use of an electronic device.

(4) In the case of electronically stored data, to manually transcribe and make notes, abstracts, or memoranda or to duplicate the data onto a disk, tape, drum, or any other medium of electronic storage.

(h) "Investigatory record" means information compiled in the course of the investigation of a crime.

(i) "Patient" has the meaning set out in IC 16-18-2-272(d).

(j) "Person" means an individual, a corporation, a limited liability company, a partnership, an unincorporated association, or a governmental entity.

(k) "Provider" has the meaning set out in IC 16-18-2-295(a) and includes employees of the state department of health or local boards of health who create patient records at the request of another provider or who are social workers and create records concerning the family

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background of children who may need assistance.

(l) "Public agency" means the following:

(1) Any board, commission, department, division, bureau, committee, agency, office, instrumentality, or authority, by whatever name designated, exercising any part of the executive, administrative, judicial, or legislative power of the state.

(2) Any:

(A) county, township, school corporation, city, or town, or any board, commission, department, division, bureau, committee, office, instrumentality, or authority of any county, township, school corporation, city, or town;

(B) political subdivision (as defined by IC 36-1-2-13); or

(C) other entity, or any office thereof, by whatever name designated, exercising in a limited geographical area the executive, administrative, judicial, or legislative power of the state or a delegated local governmental power.

(3) Any entity or office that is subject to:

(A) budget review by either the department of local government finance or the governing body of a county, city, town, township, or school corporation; or

(B) an audit by the state board of accounts.

(4) Any building corporation of a political subdivision that issues bonds for the purpose of constructing public facilities.

(5) Any advisory commission, committee, or body created by statute, ordinance, or executive order to advise the governing body of a public agency, except medical staffs or the committees of any such staff.

(6) Any law enforcement agency, which means an agency or a department of any level of government that engages in the investigation, apprehension, arrest, or prosecution of alleged criminal offenders, such as the state police department, the police or sheriff's department of a political subdivision, prosecuting attorneys, members of the excise police division of the alcohol and tobacco commission, conservation officers of the department of natural resources, *gaming agents of the Indiana gaming commission,* and the security division of the state lottery commission.

(7) Any license branch staffed by employees of the bureau of motor vehicles commission under IC 9-16.

(8) The state lottery commission *established by IC 4-30-3-1,* including any department, division, or office of the commission.

(9) The Indiana gaming commission established under IC 4-33,

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including any department, division, or office of the commission.

(10) The Indiana horse racing commission established by IC 4-31, including any department, division, or office of the commission.

(m) "Public record" means any writing, paper, report, study, map, photograph, book, card, tape recording, or other material that is created, received, retained, maintained, or filed by or with a public agency and which is generated on paper, paper substitutes, photographic media, chemically based media, magnetic or machine readable media, electronically stored data, or any other material, regardless of form or characteristics.

(n) "Standard-sized documents" includes all documents that can be mechanically reproduced (without mechanical reduction) on paper sized eight and one-half (8 1/2) inches by eleven (11) inches or eight and one-half (8 1/2) inches by fourteen (14) inches.

(o) "Trade secret" has the meaning set forth in IC 24-2-3-2.

(p) "Work product of an attorney" means information compiled by an attorney in reasonable anticipation of litigation. ~~and~~ *The term* includes the attorney's:

(1) notes and statements taken during interviews of prospective witnesses; and

(2) legal research or records, correspondence, reports, or memoranda to the extent that each contains the attorney's opinions, theories, or conclusions.

This definition does not restrict the application of any exception under section 4 of this chapter.

SECTION 103. IC 5-14-3-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.210-2005, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) The following public records are excepted from section 3 of this chapter and may not be disclosed by a public agency, unless access to the records is specifically required by a state or federal statute or is ordered by a court under the rules of discovery:

(1) Those declared confidential by state statute.

(2) Those declared confidential by rule adopted by a public agency under specific authority to classify public records as confidential granted to the public agency by statute.

(3) Those required to be kept confidential by federal law.

(4) Records containing trade secrets.

(5) Confidential financial information obtained, upon request, from a person. However, this does not include information that is filed with or received by a public agency pursuant to state statute.

(6) Information concerning research, including actual research

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documents, conducted under the auspices of an institution of higher education, including information:

(A) concerning any negotiations made with respect to the research; and

(B) received from another party involved in the research.

(7) Grade transcripts and license examination scores obtained as part of a licensure process.

(8) Those declared confidential by or under rules adopted by the supreme court of Indiana.

(9) Patient medical records and charts created by a provider, unless the patient gives written consent under IC 16-39.

(10) Application information declared confidential by the ~~twenty-first century research and technology fund~~ board **of the Indiana economic development corporation** under ~~IC 4-4-5.1.~~ **IC 5-28-16.**

(11) A photograph, a video recording, or an audio recording of an autopsy, except as provided in IC 36-2-14-10.

(12) A Social Security number contained in the records of a public agency.

(b) Except as otherwise provided by subsection (a), the following public records shall be excepted from section 3 of this chapter at the discretion of a public agency:

(1) Investigatory records of law enforcement agencies. However, certain law enforcement records must be made available for inspection and copying as provided in section 5 of this chapter.

(2) The work product of an attorney representing, pursuant to state employment or an appointment by a public agency:

(A) a public agency;

(B) the state; or

(C) an individual.

(3) Test questions, scoring keys, and other examination data used in administering a licensing examination, examination for employment, or academic examination before the examination is given or if it is to be given again.

(4) Scores of tests if the person is identified by name and has not consented to the release of the person's scores.

(5) The following:

(A) Records relating to negotiations between the Indiana economic development corporation, the Indiana ~~development~~ finance authority, ~~the film commission, the Indiana business modernization and technology corporation,~~ or economic development commissions with industrial, research, or

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commercial prospects, if the records are created while negotiations are in progress.

(B) Notwithstanding clause (A), the terms of the final offer of public financial resources communicated by the Indiana economic development corporation, the Indiana ~~development~~ finance authority, ~~the Indiana film commission, the Indiana business modernization and technology corporation,~~ or economic development commissions to an industrial, a research, or a commercial prospect shall be available for inspection and copying under section 3 of this chapter after negotiations with that prospect have terminated.

(C) When disclosing a final offer under clause (B), the Indiana economic development corporation shall certify that the information being disclosed accurately and completely represents the terms of the final offer.

(6) Records that are intra-agency or interagency advisory or deliberative material, including material developed by a private contractor under a contract with a public agency, that are expressions of opinion or are of a speculative nature, and that are communicated for the purpose of decision making.

(7) Diaries, journals, or other personal notes serving as the functional equivalent of a diary or journal.

(8) Personnel files of public employees and files of applicants for public employment, except for:

(A) the name, compensation, job title, business address, business telephone number, job description, education and training background, previous work experience, or dates of first and last employment of present or former officers or employees of the agency;

(B) information relating to the status of any formal charges against the employee; and

(C) the factual basis for a disciplinary action in which final action has been taken and that resulted in the employee being suspended, demoted, or discharged.

However, all personnel file information shall be made available to the affected employee or the employee's representative. This subdivision does not apply to disclosure of personnel information generally on all employees or for groups of employees without the request being particularized by employee name.

(9) Minutes or records of hospital medical staff meetings.

(10) Administrative or technical information that would jeopardize a record keeping or security system.

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(11) Computer programs, computer codes, computer filing systems, and other software that are owned by the public agency or entrusted to it and portions of electronic maps entrusted to a public agency by a utility.

(12) Records specifically prepared for discussion or developed during discussion in an executive session under IC 5-14-1.5-6.1. However, this subdivision does not apply to that information required to be available for inspection and copying under subdivision (8).

(13) The work product of the legislative services agency under personnel rules approved by the legislative council.

(14) The work product of individual members and the partisan staffs of the general assembly.

(15) The identity of a donor of a gift made to a public agency if:

(A) the donor requires nondisclosure of the donor's identity as a condition of making the gift; or

(B) after the gift is made, the donor or a member of the donor's family requests nondisclosure.

(16) Library or archival records:

(A) which can be used to identify any library patron; or

(B) deposited with or acquired by a library upon a condition that the records be disclosed only:

(i) to qualified researchers;

(ii) after the passing of a period of years that is specified in the documents under which the deposit or acquisition is made; or

(iii) after the death of persons specified at the time of the acquisition or deposit.

However, nothing in this subdivision shall limit or affect contracts entered into by the Indiana state library pursuant to IC 4-1-6-8.

(17) The identity of any person who contacts the bureau of motor vehicles concerning the ability of a driver to operate a motor vehicle safely and the medical records and evaluations made by the bureau of motor vehicles staff or members of the driver licensing medical advisory board regarding the ability of a driver to operate a motor vehicle safely. However, upon written request to the commissioner of the bureau of motor vehicles, the driver must be given copies of the driver's medical records and evaluations.

(18) School safety and security measures, plans, and systems, including emergency preparedness plans developed under 511 IAC 6.1-2-2.5.

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(19) A record or a part of a record, the public disclosure of which would have a reasonable likelihood of threatening public safety by exposing a vulnerability to terrorist attack. A record described under this subdivision includes:

(A) a record assembled, prepared, or maintained to prevent, mitigate, or respond to an act of terrorism under IC 35-47-12-1 or an act of agricultural terrorism under IC 35-47-12-2;

(B) vulnerability assessments;

(C) risk planning documents;

(D) needs assessments;

(E) threat assessments;

(F) domestic preparedness strategies;

(G) the location of community drinking water wells and surface water intakes;

(H) the emergency contact information of emergency responders and volunteers;

(I) infrastructure records that disclose the configuration of critical systems such as communication, electrical, ventilation, water, and wastewater systems; and

(J) detailed drawings or specifications of structural elements, floor plans, and operating, utility, or security systems, whether in paper or electronic form, of any building or facility located on an airport (as defined in IC 8-21-1-1) that is owned, occupied, leased, or maintained by a public agency. A record described in this clause may not be released for public inspection by any public agency without the prior approval of the public agency that owns, occupies, leases, or maintains the airport. The public agency that owns, occupies, leases, or maintains the airport:

(i) is responsible for determining whether the public disclosure of a record or a part of a record has a reasonable likelihood of threatening public safety by exposing a vulnerability to terrorist attack; and

(ii) must identify a record described under item (i) and clearly mark the record as "confidential and not subject to public disclosure under IC 5-14-3-4(b)(19)(J) without approval of (insert name of submitting public agency)".

This subdivision does not apply to a record or portion of a record pertaining to a location or structure owned or protected by a public agency in the event that an act of terrorism under IC 35-47-12-1 or an act of agricultural terrorism under IC 35-47-12-2 has occurred at that location or structure, unless

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release of the record or portion of the record would have a reasonable likelihood of threatening public safety by exposing a vulnerability of other locations or structures to terrorist attack.

(20) The following personal information concerning a customer of a municipally owned utility (as defined in IC 8-1-2-1):

(A) Telephone number.

(B) Address.

(C) Social Security number.

(21) The following personal information about a complainant contained in records of a law enforcement agency:

(A) Telephone number.

(B) The complainant's address. However, if the complainant's address is the location of the suspected crime, infraction, accident, or complaint reported, the address shall be made available for public inspection and copying.

(c) Nothing contained in subsection (b) shall limit or affect the right of a person to inspect and copy a public record required or directed to be made by any statute or by any rule of a public agency.

(d) Notwithstanding any other law, a public record that is classified as confidential, other than a record concerning an adoption, shall be made available for inspection and copying seventy-five (75) years after the creation of that record.

(e) Notwithstanding subsection (d) and section 7 of this chapter:

(1) public records subject to IC 5-15 may be destroyed only in accordance with record retention schedules under IC 5-15; or

(2) public records not subject to IC 5-15 may be destroyed in the ordinary course of business.

SECTION 104. IC 5-16-3-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) A public official, board, commission, or other public agency having charge of the construction of a public building, an addition to the building or an alteration of the building shall file in the ~~office of the state building commissioner~~ **division of fire and building safety**, within sixty (60) days after the completion of the building project, a complete set of blueprints and a complete set of bound specifications for the public building, addition, or alteration.

(b) Subsection (a) does not apply to buildings, additions, or alterations that are constructed at a cost of less than twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000).

SECTION 105. IC 5-16-3-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. The ~~state building commissioner~~ **division of fire and building safety of the**

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department of homeland security shall provide a safe depository for all blueprints and specifications ~~so~~ filed as provided in section 1 of this chapter and retain them for inspection and loan under ~~such~~ **the** conditions and restrictions as the fire prevention and building safety commission shall determine by rule. The fire prevention and building safety commission may designate the librarian of the state of Indiana as the custodian of any ~~of such~~ blueprints and specifications ~~so~~ filed with it, at any time, and it shall be the duty of the state librarian to safely preserve the same in the state archives as public documents.

SECTION 106. IC 5-20-1-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. As used in this chapter:

"Assisted" means, with respect to a loan:

(1) the payment by the United States or any duly authorized agency of the United States of assistance payments, interest payments, or mortgage reduction payments with respect to such loan; or

(2) the provision of insurance, guaranty, security, collateral, subsidies, or other forms of assistance or aid acceptable to the authority for the making, holding, or selling of a loan from the United States, any duly authorized agency of the United States, or any entity or corporation acceptable to the authority, other than the sponsor.

"Authority" means the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority created under this chapter.

"Bonds" or "notes" means the bonds or notes authorized to be issued by the authority under this chapter.

"Development costs" means the costs approved by the authority as appropriate expenditures and credits which may be incurred by sponsors, builders, and developers of residential housing prior to commitment and initial advance of the proceeds of a construction loan or of a mortgage, including but not limited to:

(1) payments for options to purchase properties on the proposed residential housing site, deposits on contracts of purchase, or, with prior approval of the authority, payments for the purchase of such properties;

(2) legal, organizational, and marketing expenses, including payments of attorney's fees, project manager, clerical, and other incidental expenses;

(3) payment of fees for preliminary feasibility studies and advances for planning, engineering, and architectural work;

(4) expenses for surveys as to need and market analyses;

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(5) necessary application and other fees;

(6) credits allowed by the authority to recognize the value of service provided at no cost by the sponsors, builders, or developers; and

(7) such other expenses as the authority deems appropriate for the purposes of this chapter.

"Governmental agency" means any department, division, public agency, political subdivision, or other public instrumentality of the state of Indiana, the federal government, any other state or public agency, or any two (2) or more thereof.

"Construction loan" means a loan to provide interim financing for the acquisition or construction of single family residential housing, including land development.

"Mortgage" or "mortgage loan" means a loan to provide permanent financing for:

(1) the rehabilitation, acquisition, or construction of single family residential housing, including land development; or

(2) the weatherization of single family residences.

"Mortgage lender" means a bank, trust company, savings bank, savings association, credit union, national banking association, federal savings association or federal credit union maintaining an office in this state, a public utility (as defined in IC 8-1-2-1), a gas utility system organized under IC 8-1-11.1, an insurance company authorized to do business in this state, or any mortgage banking firm or mortgagee authorized to do business in this state and approved by either the authority or the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

"Land development" means the process of acquiring land primarily for residential housing construction for persons and families of low and moderate income and making, installing, or constructing nonresidential housing improvements, including water, sewer, and other utilities, roads, streets, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, storm drainage facilities, and other installations or works, whether on or off the site, which the authority deems necessary or desirable to prepare such land primarily for residential housing construction.

"Obligations" means any bonds or notes authorized to be issued by the authority under this chapter.

"Persons and families of low and moderate income" means persons and families of insufficient personal or family income to afford adequate housing as determined by the standards established by the authority, and in determining such standards the authority shall take into account the following:

(1) The amount of total income of such persons and families

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available for housing needs.

(2) The size of the family.

(3) The cost and condition of housing facilities available in the different geographic areas of the state.

(4) The ability of such persons and families to compete successfully in the private housing market and to pay the amounts at which private enterprise is providing sanitary, decent, and safe housing.

The standards shall, however, comply with the applicable limitations of section 4(b) of this chapter.

"Residential facility for children" means a facility:

(1) that provides residential services to individuals who are:

(A) under twenty-one (21) years of age; and

(B) adjudicated to be children in need of services under IC 31-34 (or IC 31-6-4 before its repeal) or delinquent children under IC 31-37 (or IC 31-6-4 before its repeal); and

(2) that is:

(A) a child caring institution that is or will be licensed under IC 12-17.4;

(B) a residential facility that is or will be licensed under IC 12-28-5; or

(C) a facility that is or will be certified by the division of mental health and addiction under IC 12-23.

"Residential facility for the developmentally disabled" means a facility that is approved for use in a community residential program for the developmentally disabled under IC 12-11-1.1.

"Residential facility for the mentally ill" means a facility that is approved by the division of mental health and addiction for use in a community residential program for the mentally ill under IC 12-22-2-3(1), IC 12-22-2-3(2), IC 12-22-2-3(3), or IC 12-22-2-3(4).

"Residential housing" means a specific work or improvement undertaken primarily to provide single or multiple family housing for rental or sale to persons and families of low and moderate income, including the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of lands, buildings, and improvements to the housing, and such other nonhousing facilities as may be incidental or appurtenant to the housing.

"Sponsors", "builders", or "developers" means corporations, associations, partnerships, limited liability companies, or other entities and consumer housing cooperatives organized pursuant to law for the primary purpose of providing housing to low and moderate income persons and families.

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"State" means the state of Indiana.

"Tenant programs and services" means services and activities for persons and families living in residential housing, including the following:

(1) Counseling on household management, housekeeping, budgeting, and money management.

(2) Child care and similar matters.

(3) Access to available community services related to job training and placement, education, health, welfare, and other community services.

(4) Guard and other matters related to the physical security of the housing residents.

(5) Effective management-tenant relations, including tenant participation in all aspects of housing administration, management, and maintenance.

(6) Physical improvements of the housing, including buildings, recreational and community facilities, safety measures, and removal of code violations.

(7) Advisory services for tenants in the creation of tenant organizations which will assume a meaningful and responsible role in the planning and carrying out of housing affairs.

(8) Procedures whereby tenants, either individually or in a group, may be given a hearing on questions relating to management policies and practices either in general or in relation to an individual or family.

SECTION 107. IC 5-20-1-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. ~~State Not Liable for Obligations of the Indiana Housing Finance Authority.~~ (a) Obligations issued under the provisions of this chapter do not constitute a debt, liability, or obligation of the state of Indiana or a pledge of the faith and credit of the state of Indiana, but shall be payable solely from the revenues or assets of the authority. Under any circumstances, general fund revenues of the state of Indiana may not be used to pay all or part of the obligations of the authority, and there is no moral obligation of the state of Indiana to pay all or part of the obligations of the authority. Each obligation issued under this chapter shall contain on the face thereof a statement to the effect that the authority shall not be obligated to pay the same nor the interest thereon except from the revenues or assets pledged therefor and that neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the state of Indiana is pledged to the payment of the principal of or the interest on such obligation.

(b) Expenses incurred by the authority in carrying out the provisions

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of this chapter may be made payable from funds provided pursuant to this chapter, and no liability shall be incurred by the authority under this chapter beyond the extent to which moneys shall have been so provided.

SECTION 108. IC 5-20-2-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. ~~Other Limitations.~~ (a) Bonds shall not be issued by a county, city, town, or consolidated city for home mortgages under this chapter if at the time of issuance and delivery there remains unexpended or uncommitted more than five percent (5%) of the net proceeds of a prior bond issued by that county, city, town, or consolidated city under this chapter.

(b) Bonds shall not be issued under this chapter for home mortgages in an amount in excess of twenty-five percent (25%) of the average annual amount of mortgage lending in the county or municipality in the most recent three (3) year period for which the governing body shall by ordinance determine from the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act, Public Law 94-200.

(c) No issue shall be approved by the ~~state~~ **Indiana** housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority if the amount of the issue exceeds the total amount of bond issues permissible under this chapter in the calendar year during which the proposed bonds will be issued. The total amount of bonds permissible under this chapter in any calendar year shall be fifty dollars ($50) multiplied by the population of the state of Indiana as determined by the most recent federal decennial census.

(d) There is a five percent (5%) down payment requirement. An issue meets this requirement only if seventy-five percent (75%) or more of the owner-occupied financing provided by the issue is ninety-five percent (95%) financing. For purposes of this subsection, financing of a residence is ninety-five percent (95%) financing if such financing is ninety-five percent (95%) or more of the acquisition cost of such residence. A larger down payment is permitted in the case of alternative mortgage instruments as provided by law.

(e) No mortgage shall be made under this chapter the amount of which exceeds two and one-half (2 1/2) times the amount of the annual income of the prospective ~~mortgager.~~ **mortgagor.** In addition, no financing shall be provided under this chapter to a prospective mortgagor who is already a mortgagor with respect to an existing mortgage financed under this chapter.

(f) The effective rate of interest on mortgages provided from a particular bond issue under this chapter may not exceed the yield on the issue by more than one (1) percentage point. For purposes of this

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subsection, the effective rate of mortgage interest and the bond yield shall be determined in accordance with reasonable procedures adopted by the ~~state~~ **Indiana** housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority. However, the ~~state~~ **Indiana** housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority may waive the restriction in this subsection if it determines that:

(1) waiver of the restriction with respect to a proposed issue is in the best interests of the citizens of the issuing jurisdiction and the state of Indiana; and

(2) the proposed issue is not marketable without waiver of the restriction.

(g) An issue meets the requirements of this section only if a preliminary official statement of such issue has been submitted to the ~~state~~ **Indiana** housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority, and:

(1) such authority has, within thirty (30) days after the date of such submission, issued an opinion that such issue meets the requirements of ~~sections~~ **this section and section** 4 ~~and 5~~ of this chapter; or

(2) thirty (30) days have elapsed since such submission and during this thirty (30) day period the authority has not issued an opinion that the issue does not meet the requirements of ~~sections~~ **this section and section** 4 ~~and 5~~ of this chapter.

SECTION 109. IC 5-20-3-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) A mutual housing association may be established as a nonprofit corporation incorporated under IC 23-7-1.1 (before its repeal on August 1, 1991) or IC 23-17 to prevent and eliminate neighborhood deterioration and to preserve neighborhood stability by:

(1) providing high quality, long term housing for families of low and moderate income; and

(2) affording community and residential involvement in the provision of that housing.

(b) The articles of incorporation of a mutual housing association must meet the requirements of the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority under IC 5-20-1-6 and must be approved by the authority.

(c) The articles of incorporation of a mutual housing association must include a provision that provides that if the mutual housing association dissolves, is involved in a bankruptcy proceeding, or otherwise disposes of its physical properties, the association may only transfer the assets to another entity that provides high quality, long

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term housing for families of low and moderate income.

SECTION 110. IC 5-20-3-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. The Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority may enter into a contract with a mutual housing association to provide financial assistance for the construction, rehabilitation, ownership, or operation of housing for families of low and moderate income. State financial assistance may be in the form of grants, loans, or a combination of grants and loans and may be used for the acquisition or development of housing sites and for the costs incurred in the development of the housing. Grants may not exceed the development cost of the housing project.

SECTION 111. IC 5-20-3-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. A contract for state financial assistance with a mutual housing association under section 6 of this chapter must include (for each housing site) the following provisions:

(1) Each housing site must be managed in an efficient manner to permit the fixing of the rentals at the lowest possible rates consistent with providing decent, safe, and sanitary dwelling accommodations.

(2) A mutual housing association may not construct or operate a housing site for profit.

(3) Rental rates may not be fixed a level higher than necessary to produce revenue that, together with other revenue, will be sufficient to pay, as it becomes due, the principal and interest on the loans made to the mutual housing authority, the maintenance and operating expenses of a housing project (including insurance and administrative costs), and an allowance for a reasonable return on equity capital contributed to a housing project through membership fees or nonstate grants. The rentals must be within the financial reach of families of low income. The return on equity capital must be used by the mutual housing association to develop additional dwelling units.

(4) The mutual housing association, subject to the approval of the **Indiana** housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority, shall fix the maximum income limits for the admission and continued occupancy of families in the housing. The association shall define the income of a family to provide the basis for determining eligibility for the admission, rent, and continued occupancy of families under the maximum income limits. In defining family income, the authority may provide for

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the exclusion of any part of the income of family members that the authority believes generally available to meet the cost of basic living needs of the family.

(5) The mutual housing association may not refuse to rent a dwelling accommodation to an otherwise qualified applicant because one (1) or more of the proposed occupants are children born out of wedlock.

(6) The mutual housing association shall provide each applicant for admission to the housing project a receipt stating the time and date of application and shall maintain a list of the applications that must be available for public inspection. The Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority shall adopt rules governing the form and procedure for maintaining the list.

(7) The mutual housing association may require the payment of a membership fee as a condition of eligibility of occupancy for a dwelling unit. The fee must be refunded to a resident member, with nominal interest, when the member vacates the dwelling unit.

(8) The Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority shall require and must approve an operation management plan for each housing project from the mutual housing association. The plan must provide for an income adequate to pay debt service, administrative costs (including a state service charge), operating costs, and adequate reserves for repairs, maintenance, replacements, and vacancy and collection losses. In addition, the mutual housing association shall adopt a plan for the administration of a housing project that must be approved by the tenants and the **Indiana** housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority. The association shall provide copies of the plan to each adult tenant and to the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority.

(9) The Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority may inspect any housing during the period of the loan or, in the case of a grant, during the period when a housing project is used to house families of low and moderate income.

(10) The mutual housing association shall semiannually submit a report to the **Indiana** housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority with information on operating costs, tenant information, rentals, and any other information that the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority requires by rule.

(11) The mutual housing association may request permission of

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the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority to allow the continued occupancy of dwelling units by tenants whose annual income exceeds maximum limits or the rental of vacant units to tenants whose income exceeds maximum limits if the vacancies would result in the inability to pay debt service, administrative costs (including state service charges), operating costs, and reserve for repairs, maintenance, replacements, and collection costs. The continued occupancy or rental must be for a period of one (1) year, subject to subsequent one (1) year renewals. The mutual housing association may, subject to the approval of the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority, fix rent at a higher level for tenants described in this subdivision.

(12) The difference between the increased rent and the normal rent described in subdivision (11) must be used by the mutual housing association to develop additional dwelling units or credited against the rent owed by another low or moderate income resident member of the association.

(13) The cost of options on housing sites, engineering and architectural services, and preliminary construction expenses may, subject to the approval of the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority, be included as part of the cost of a project to be financed by a loan or grant.

(14) The mutual housing association may provide for variable rents based on family income.

SECTION 112. IC 5-20-3-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. The Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority may assess a mutual housing association a service charge for each loan or grant provided to the association.

SECTION 113. IC 5-20-3-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. The Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to carry out this chapter.

SECTION 114. IC 5-20-4-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority" refers to the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority established under IC 5-20-1.

SECTION 115. IC 5-20-4-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. (a) There is established the housing trust fund. The fund shall be administered by

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the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority under the direction of the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority's board.

(b) The fund consists of the following resources:

(1) Appropriations from the general assembly.

(2) Gifts and grants to the fund.

(3) Investment income earned on the fund's assets.

(4) Repayments of loans from the fund.

(5) Funds borrowed from the board for depositories insurance fund (IC 5-13-12-7).

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

(d) The money remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund.

(e) Interest earned on the fund may be used by the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority to pay expenses incurred in the administration of the fund.

SECTION 116. IC 5-20-4-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. The board for depositories shall determine the terms of the loan from the board for depositories insurance fund under section 8 of this chapter that must include the following:

(1) That the duration of the loan may not exceed twenty (20) years from the date of the execution of the agreement between the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority and the public deposit insurance fund operated by the board for depositories.

(2) The repayment schedule of the loan that:

(A) shall not require repayment of any principal; and

(B) must allow any principal to be repaid by the housing trust fund at any time;

before the end of the term for the loan.

(3) That no interest may be charged.

(4) The amount of the loan, which may not exceed five million dollars ($5,000,000).

SECTION 117. IC 5-20-4-10.1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10.1. The Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority and the board for depositories shall establish procedures to insure repayment of the loan principal at the end of the loan term. The procedures may include purchase of a zero coupon bond to insure the loan principal, a

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requirement that a percentage of the loans issued by the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority be made through a linked deposit program in certificates of deposit, or other procedures that the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority and the board for depositories may determine appropriate.

SECTION 118. IC 5-20-4-11 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 11. (a) At least fifty percent (50%) of the resources of the fund shall be allocated to recognized nonprofit corporations under Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(b) The resources of the fund that are not allocated under subsection (a) may be allocated to private developers of housing and private development entities as determined by the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority.

SECTION 119. IC 5-20-4-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. Rental housing that is developed with money from the housing trust fund shall be made available for occupancy to low income families or very low income families for at least fifteen (15) years. In the event of foreclosure or equivalent action, the remaining affordability period may be waived by the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority.

SECTION 120. IC 5-20-4-13 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 13. A developer of housing that uses funds from the housing trust fund shall certify to the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority that the developer will comply with the following:

(1) The federal Civil Rights Act of 1968 (P.L. 90-284).

(2) The federal Fair Housing Amendments of 1988 (P.L. 100-430).

(3) The Indiana Civil Rights Law (IC 22-9-1).

SECTION 121. IC 5-20-4-14 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 14. The Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority shall establish written policies and procedures to implement this chapter. These policies and procedures shall include the following:

(1) The development of an application process for requesting financial assistance under this chapter.

(2) The establishment of a procedure for disbursing financial assistance under this chapter.

(3) The establishment of a rate of interest for a loan under this chapter.

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(4) The establishment of loan underwriting criteria to protect the assets of the fund. The Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority shall require a lien or other security when appropriate and in the amounts the authority determines appropriate.

(5) A requirement that a financial institution holding an obligation that is guaranteed under this chapter must adequately secure the obligation.

(6) Standards requiring a local match for any assistance under this chapter and establishing the level of local match required.

(7) The establishment of a cap on the amount of financial assistance that any recipient may receive.

SECTION 122. IC 5-20-4-15 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 15. (a) The housing trust fund advisory committee is established.

(b) The committee consists of sixteen (16) members to be appointed by the governor as follows:

(1) One (1) member of the division of mental health and addiction.

(2) One (1) member of the division of family and children.

(3) One (1) member of the division of disability, aging, and rehabilitative services.

(4) One (1) member of the ~~department of commerce.~~ **office of the lieutenant governor.**

(5) One (1) member to represent residential real estate developers.

(6) One (1) member to represent construction trades.

(7) One (1) member to represent banks and other lending institutions.

(8) One (1) member to represent the interests of persons with disabilities.

(9) One (1) member to represent service providers.

(10) Two (2) members to represent neighborhood groups.

(11) One (1) member to represent low income families.

(12) One (1) member to represent nonprofit community based organizations and community development corporations.

(13) One (1) member to represent real estate brokers or salespersons.

(14) One (1) member to represent the Indiana Apartment Owner's Association.

(15) One (1) member to represent the manufactured housing industry.

At least three (3) members of the committee shall be from a city with

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a population of less than thirty-five thousand (35,000), a town, or a rural area.

(c) Members of the advisory committee shall serve a term of three (3) years. However, the governor may remove for cause an appointed member of the advisory committee and fill vacancies of appointed members on the advisory committee.

(d) The advisory committee shall make recommendations to the housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority regarding:

(1) the development of policies and procedures under section 14 of this chapter; and

(2) long term sources to capitalize the housing trust fund, including the following:

(A) Revenue from development ordinances, fees, or taxes.

(B) Market based or private revenue.

(C) Revenue generated from government programs, foundations, private individuals, or corporations.

(e) The advisory committee shall prepare and present an annual report that:

(1) describes disbursements under the housing trust fund; and

(2) makes recommendations to the board of the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority regarding long term sources to capitalize the housing trust fund.

SECTION 123. IC 5-20-5-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "authority" means the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority.

SECTION 124. IC 5-22-2-1.3, AS ADDED BY P.L.165-2005, SECTION 3, AND AS ADDED BY P.L.222-2005, SECTION 26, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1.3. "Affiliate" means a business entity that effectively controls or is controlled by a contractor or *is* associated with a contractor under common ownership or control, whether by shareholdings or other means, including a subsidiary, parent, or sibling of a contractor.

SECTION 125. IC 5-22-21-7.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.246-2005, SECTION 56, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.246-2005, SECTION 57, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7.5. (a) This section applies to surplus computer hardware that:

(1) is not usable by a state agency as determined under section 6 of this chapter; and

(2) has market value.

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(b) As used in this section, "educational entity" refers to the following:

(1) A school corporation as defined in IC 36-1-2-17 or nonpublic schools as defined in *IC 20-10.1-1-3 before July 1, 2005, or* IC 20-18-2-12.

(2) The corporation for educational technology described in *IC 20-10.1-25.1 before July 1, 2005, or* IC 20-20-15.

(c) As used in this section, "market value" means the value of the property is more than the estimated costs of sale and transportation of the property.

(d) Surplus computer hardware available for sale may, under the policies prescribed by the budget agency, be offered to an educational entity.

SECTION 126. IC 5-26-6-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) The committee consists of ten (10) members appointed by the superintendent. Each of the following user agencies shall be represented by one (1) committee member:

(1) State police department.

(2) Indiana department of transportation.

(3) ~~State emergency management agency.~~ **Department of homeland security.**

(4) Department of natural resources.

(5) Alcohol and tobacco commission.

(6) Department of state revenue.

(7) Department of environmental management.

(8) Military department of the state of Indiana.

(9) Department of correction.

(10) Indiana department of administration.

(b) A director of an agency described in subsection (a)(2) through (a)(10) shall recommend a person to the superintendent to serve as a committee member.

(c) The superintendent shall fill any vacancies on the committee.

(d) A committee member serves until the earlier of the following:

(1) The member is removed by the superintendent.

(2) The date the member ceases to be employed by the agency the member represents on the committee.

SECTION 127. IC 5-28-6-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.83-2005, SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The corporation shall develop and promote programs designed to make the best use of Indiana resources to ensure a balanced economy and continuing economic growth for

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Indiana, and, for those purposes, may do the following:

(1) Cooperate with federal, state, and local governments and agencies in the coordination of programs to make the best use of Indiana resources.

(2) Receive and expend funds, grants, gifts, and contributions of money, property, labor, interest accrued from loans made by the corporation, and other things of value from public and private sources, including grants from agencies and instrumentalities of the state and the federal government. The corporation:

(A) may accept federal grants for providing planning assistance, making grants, or providing other services or functions necessary to political subdivisions, planning commissions, or other public or private organizations;

(B) shall administer these grants in accordance with the terms of the grants; and

(C) may contract with political subdivisions, planning commissions, or other public or private organizations to carry out the purposes for which the grants were made.

(3) Direct that assistance, information, and advice regarding the duties and functions of the corporation be given to the corporation by an officer, agent, or employee of the executive branch of the state. The head of any other state department or agency may assign one (1) or more of the department's or agency's employees to the corporation on a temporary basis or may direct a division or an agency under the department's or agency's supervision and control to make a special study or survey requested by the corporation.

(b) The corporation shall perform the following duties:

(1) Develop and implement industrial development programs to encourage expansion of existing industrial, commercial, and business facilities in Indiana and to encourage new industrial, commercial, and business locations in Indiana.

(2) Assist businesses and industries in acquiring, improving, and developing overseas markets and encourage international plant locations in Indiana. The corporation, with the approval of the governor, may establish foreign offices to assist in this function.

(3) Promote the growth of minority business enterprises by doing the following:

(A) Mobilizing and coordinating the activities, resources, and efforts of governmental and private agencies, businesses, trade associations, institutions, and individuals.

(B) Assisting minority businesses in obtaining governmental

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or commercial financing for expansion or establishment of new businesses or individual development projects.

(C) Aiding minority businesses in procuring contracts from governmental or private sources, or both.

(D) Providing technical, managerial, and counseling assistance to minority business enterprises.

(4) Assist the office of the lieutenant governor in:

(A) community economic development planning;

(B) implementation of programs designed to further community economic development; and

(C) the development and promotion of Indiana's tourist resources.

(5) Assist the secretary of agriculture and rural development in promoting and marketing of Indiana's agricultural products and provide assistance to the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture.

(6) With the approval of the governor, implement federal programs delegated to the state to carry out the purposes of this article.

(7) Promote the growth of small businesses by doing the following:

(A) Assisting small businesses in obtaining and preparing the permits required to conduct business in Indiana.

(B) Serving as a liaison between small businesses and state agencies.

(C) Providing information concerning business assistance programs available through government agencies and private sources.

(8) Establish a public information page on its current Internet site on the world wide web. The page must provide the following:

(A) By program, cumulative information on the total amount of incentives awarded, the total number of companies that received the incentives and were assisted in a year, and the names and addresses of those companies.

(B) A mechanism on the page whereby the public may request further information online about specific programs or incentives awarded.

(C) A mechanism for the public to receive an electronic response.

(c) The corporation may do the following:

(1) Disseminate information concerning the industrial, commercial, governmental, educational, cultural, recreational,

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agricultural, and other advantages of Indiana.

(2) Plan, direct, and conduct research activities.

(3) Assist in community economic development planning and the implementation of programs designed to further community economic development.

SECTION 128. IC 5-28-9-20, AS ADDED BY P.L.4-2005, SECTION 34, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 20. (a) For industrial development projects (as defined in IC 4-4-10.9-11(a)) that have a cost of the project (as defined in IC 4-4-10.9-5) greater than one hundred million dollars ($100,000,000), the corporation may coordinate a loan to a county, city, or town under this chapter that is to be funded under IC 6-1.1-39 with a simultaneous or successive sale of the note or other debt obligation issued or to be issued by the county, city, or town to evidence the borrowing under this chapter. For such a coordinated or simultaneous lending and sale, the sale proceeds may be applied to the funding of the loan to the county, city, or town.

(b) Notes or other debt obligations of a county, city, or town that may be sold by the corporation under this section **or section 19 of this chapter** are declared to be legal investments for:

(1) all insurance companies and associations and other persons carrying on an insurance business; and

(2) all banks, bankers, banking associations, trust companies, savings associations including savings and loan associations, building and loan associations, investment companies, and other persons carrying on a banking business.

These entities may invest their funds, including capital, in the notes or other debt obligations, notwithstanding any law to the contrary.

SECTION 129. IC 5-28-16-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.4-2005, SECTION 34, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The Indiana twenty-first century research and technology fund is established within the state treasury to provide grants or loans to support proposals for economic development in one (1) or more of the following areas:

(1) To increase the capacity of Indiana institutions of higher education, Indiana businesses, and Indiana nonprofit corporations and organizations to compete successfully for federal or private research and development funding.

(2) To stimulate the transfer of research and technology into marketable products.

(3) To assist with diversifying Indiana's economy by focusing investment in biomedical research and biotechnology, information

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technology, and other high technology industry clusters requiring high skill, high wage employees.

(4) To encourage an environment of innovation and cooperation among universities and businesses to promote research activity.

(b) The fund consists of:

(1) appropriations from the general assembly;

(2) proceeds of bonds issued by the Indiana finance authority under IC 4-4-11.4 for deposit in the fund; and

(3) loan repayments.

(c) The corporation shall administer the fund. The following may be paid from money in the fund:

(1) Expenses of administering the fund.

(2) Nonrecurring administrative expenses incurred to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

(d) Earnings from loans made under this chapter shall be deposited in the fund.

(e) The budget agency shall review each recommendation. The budget agency, after review by the budget committee, may approve, deny, or modify grants and loans recommended by the board. Money in the fund may not be used to provide a recurring source of revenue for the normal operating expenditures of any project.

(f) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same manner as other public funds may be invested. Interest that accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the state general fund.

(g) The money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund but remains in the fund to be used exclusively for the purposes of this chapter.

SECTION 130. IC 5-28-16-4, AS ADDED BY P.L.4-2005, SECTION 34, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) The board has the following powers:

(1) To accept, analyze, and approve applications under this chapter.

(2) To contract with experts for advice and counsel.

(3) To employ staff to assist in carrying out this chapter, including providing assistance to applicants who wish to apply for a grant or loan from the fund, analyzing proposals, working with experts engaged by the board, and preparing reports and recommendations for the board.

(4) To approve and recommend applications for grants or loans from the fund to the budget committee and budget agency.

(b) The board shall give priority to applications for grants or loans

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from the fund that:

(1) have the greatest economic development potential; and

(2) require the lowest ratio of money from the fund compared with the combined financial commitments of the applicant and those cooperating on the project.

(c) The board shall make final funding determinations for applications for grants or loans from the fund that will be submitted to the budget agency for review and approval. In making a determination on a proposal intended to obtain federal or private research funding, the board shall be advised by a peer review panel and shall consider the following factors in evaluating the proposal:

(1) The scientific merit of the proposal.

(2) The predicted future success of federal or private funding for the proposal.

(3) The ability of the researcher to attract merit based scientific funding of research.

(4) The extent to which the proposal evidences interdisciplinary or interinstitutional collaboration among two (2) or more Indiana institutions of higher education or private sector partners, as well as cost sharing and partnership support from the business community.

The purposes for which grants and loans may be made include erecting, constructing, reconstructing, extending, remodeling, improving, completing, equipping, and furnishing research and technology transfer facilities.

(d) The peer review panel shall be chosen by and report to the board. In determining the composition and duties of a peer review panel, the board shall consider the National Institutes of Health and the National Science Foundation peer review processes as models. The members of the panel must have extensive experience in federal research funding. A panel member may not have a relationship with any private entity or academic institution in Indiana that would constitute a conflict of interest for the panel member.

(e) In making a determination on any other application for a grant or loan from the fund involving a proposal to transfer research results and technologies into marketable products or commercial ventures, the board shall consult with experts as necessary to analyze the likelihood of success of the proposal and the relative merit of the proposal.

(f) A grant or loan from the fund may not be approved or recommended to the budget agency by the board unless the grant or loan has received a positive recommendation from a peer review panel described in this section.

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SECTION 131. IC 5-28-19-12, AS ADDED BY P.L.4-2005, SECTION 34, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. The corporation may use money in the microenterprise partnership program fund established by IC 5-28-18-7 or any other money available to the ~~council~~ **corporation** to carry out this chapter.

SECTION 132. IC 6-1.1-4-28.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.88-2005, SECTION 7, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.228-2005, SECTION 10, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 28.5. (a) Money assigned to a property reassessment fund under section 27.5 of this chapter may be used only to pay the costs of:

(1) the general reassessment of real property, including the computerization of assessment records;

(2) payments to county assessors, members of property tax assessment boards of appeals, or assessing officials under IC 6-1.1-35.2;

(3) the development or updating of detailed soil survey data by the United States Department of Agriculture or its successor agency;

(4) the updating of plat books; ~~*and*~~

(5) payments for the salary of permanent staff or for the contractual services of temporary staff who are necessary to assist county assessors, members of a county property tax assessment board of appeals, and assessing officials;

(6) making annual adjustments under section 4.5 of this chapter; and

(7) the verification under 50 IAC 21-3-2 of sales disclosure forms forwarded to the county assessor under IC 6-1.1-5.5-3.

(b) All counties shall use modern, detailed soil maps in the general reassessment of agricultural land.

(c) The county treasurer of each county shall, in accordance with IC 5-13-9, invest any money accumulated in the property reassessment fund. ~~*until the money is needed to pay general reassessment expenses.*~~ Any interest received from investment of the money shall be paid into the property reassessment fund.

~~*(d) An appropriation under this section must be approved by the fiscal body of the county after the review and recommendation of the county assessor. However, in a county with an elected township assessor in every township, the county assessor does not review an appropriation under this section, and only the fiscal body must approve an appropriation under this section.*~~

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SECTION 133. IC 6-1.1-4-41, AS ADDED BY P.L.199-2005, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 41. (a) For purposes of this section:

(1) "low income rental property" means real property used to provide low income housing eligible for federal income tax credits awarded under Section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code; and

(2) "rental period" means the period during which low income rental property is eligible for federal income tax credits awarded under Section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(b) For assessment dates after February 28, 2006, ~~except as provided in subsection (c),~~ the true tax value of low income rental property is the greater of the true tax value:

(1) determined using the income capitalization approach; or

(2) that results in a gross annual tax liability equal to five percent (5%) of the total gross rent received from the rental of all units in the property for the most recent taxpayer fiscal year that ends before the assessment date.

(c) The department of local government finance may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement this section.

SECTION 134. IC 6-1.1-10-16.7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 16.7. All or part of real property is exempt from property taxation if:

(1) the improvements on the real property were constructed, rehabilitated, or acquired for the purpose of providing housing to income eligible persons under the federal low income housing tax credit program under 26 U.S.C. 42;

(2) the real property is subject to an extended use agreement under 26 U.S.C. 42 as administered by the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority; and

(3) the owner of the property has entered into an agreement to make payments in lieu of taxes under IC 36-1-8-14.2, IC 36-2-6-22, or IC 36-3-2-11.

SECTION 135. IC 6-1.1-12.1-5.6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.193, SECTION 4, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.216, SECTION 3, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5.6. (a) This subsection applies to a property owner whose statement of benefits was approved under section 4.5 of this chapter before July 1, 1991. In addition to the requirements of section 5.4(b) of this chapter, a deduction ~~*application*~~ *schedule* filed under section 5.4 of this chapter must contain information showing the extent to which there has been compliance

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with the statement of benefits approved under section 4.5 of this chapter. Failure to comply with a statement of benefits approved before July 1, 1991, may not be a basis for rejecting a deduction ~~*application.*~~ *schedule.*

(b) This subsection applies to a property owner whose statement of benefits was approved under section 4.5 of this chapter after June 30, 1991. In addition to the requirements of section 5.4(b) of this chapter, a property owner who files a deduction ~~*application*~~ *schedule* under section 5.4 of this chapter must provide the county auditor and the designating body with information showing the extent to which there has been compliance with the statement of benefits approved under section 4.5 of this chapter.

(c) Notwithstanding IC 5-14-3 and IC 6-1.1-35-9, the following information is a public record if filed under this section:

(1) The name and address of the taxpayer.

(2) The location and description of the new manufacturing equipment, new research and development equipment, new logistical distribution equipment, or new information technology equipment for which the deduction was granted.

(3) Any information concerning the number of employees at the facility where the new manufacturing equipment, new research and development equipment, new logistical distribution equipment, or new information technology equipment is located, including estimated totals that were provided as part of the statement of benefits.

(4) Any information concerning the total of the salaries paid to those employees, including estimated totals that were provided as part of the statement of benefits.

(5) Any information concerning the amount of solid waste or hazardous waste converted into energy or other useful products by the new manufacturing equipment.

(6) Any information concerning the assessed value of the new manufacturing equipment, new research and development equipment, new logistical distribution equipment, or new information technology equipment including estimates that were provided as part of the statement of benefits.

(d) The following information is confidential if filed under this section:

(1) Any information concerning the specific salaries paid to individual employees by the owner of the new manufacturing equipment, new research and development equipment, new logistical distribution equipment, or new information technology

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equipment.

(2) Any information concerning the cost of the new manufacturing equipment, new research and development equipment, new logistical distribution equipment, or new information technology equipment.

SECTION 136. IC 6-1.1-17-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.73-2005, SECTION 1, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.199-2005, SECTION 12, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. *(a)* When formulating an annual budget estimate, the proper officers of a political subdivision shall prepare an estimate of the amount of revenue which the political subdivision will receive from the state for and during the budget year for which the budget is being formulated. These estimated revenues shall be shown in the budget estimate and shall be taken into consideration in calculating the tax levy which is to be made for the ensuing calendar year. However, this section does not apply to funds to be received from the state or the federal government for:

(1) township assistance;

(2) unemployment relief;

(3) old age pensions; or

(4) other funds which may at any time be made available under "The Economic Security Act" or under any other federal act which provides for civil and public works projects.

(b) When formulating an annual budget estimate, the proper officers of a political subdivision shall prepare an estimate of the amount of revenue that the political subdivision will receive under a development agreement (as defined in IC 36-1-8-9.5) for and during the budget year for which the budget is being formulated. Revenue received under a development agreement may not be used to reduce the political subdivision's maximum levy under IC 6-1.1-18.5 but may be used at the discretion of the political subdivision to reduce the property tax levy of the political subdivision for a particular year.

SECTION 137. IC 6-1.1-17-20, AS AMENDED BY P.L.199-2005, SECTION 13, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.227-2005, SECTION 5, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 20. (a) This section applies:

(1) to each governing body of a taxing unit that is not comprised of a majority of officials who are elected to serve on the governing body; and

(2) if the proposed property tax levy:

(A) for the taxing unit *(other than a public library)* for the ensuing calendar year is more than five percent (5%) greater

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than the property tax levy for the taxing unit for the current calendar year; *or*

(B) for the operating budget of a public library for the ensuing calendar year is more than five percent (5%) greater than the property tax levy for the operating budget of the public library for the current calendar year.

(b) As used in this section, "taxing unit" has the meaning set forth in IC 6-1.1-1-21, except that the term does not include:

(1) a school corporation; *or*

(2) an entity whose tax levies are subject to review and modification by a city-county legislative body under IC 36-3-6-9.

(c) *This subsection does not apply to a public library.* If:

(1) the assessed valuation of a taxing unit is entirely contained within a city or town; or

(2) the assessed valuation of a taxing unit is not entirely contained within a city or town but the taxing unit was originally established by the city or town;

the governing body shall submit its proposed budget and property tax levy to the city or town fiscal body. The proposed budget and levy shall be submitted at least fourteen (14) days before the city or town fiscal body is required to hold budget approval hearings under this chapter.

(d) *This subsection does not apply to a public library.* If subsection (c) does not apply, the governing body of the taxing unit shall submit its proposed budget and property tax levy to the county fiscal body in the county where the taxing unit has the most assessed valuation. The proposed budget and levy shall be submitted at least fourteen (14) days before the county fiscal body is required to hold budget approval hearings under this chapter.

(e) This subsection applies to a public library. The library board of a public library subject to this section shall submit its proposed budget and property tax levy to the fiscal body designated under IC 36-12-14.

~~(e)~~ *(f) Subject to subsection (g),* the fiscal body of the city, town, or county (whichever applies) *or the fiscal body designated under IC 36-12-14 (in the case of a public library)* shall review each budget and proposed tax levy and adopt a final budget and tax levy for the taxing unit. The fiscal body may reduce or modify but not increase the proposed budget or tax levy.

(g) A fiscal body's review under subsection (f) is limited to the proposed operating budget of the public library and the proposed property tax levy for the library's operating budget.

SECTION 138. IC 6-1.1-21-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 92, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.246-2005, SECTION 64,

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IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. As used in this chapter:

(a) "Taxpayer" means a person who is liable for taxes on property assessed under this article.

(b) "Taxes" means property taxes payable in respect to property assessed under this article. The term does not include special assessments, penalties, or interest, but does include any special charges which a county treasurer combines with all other taxes in the preparation and delivery of the tax statements required under IC 6-1.1-22-8(a).

(c) "Department" means the department of state revenue.

(d) "Auditor's abstract" means the annual report prepared by each county auditor which under IC 6-1.1-22-5 is to be filed on or before March 1 of each year with the auditor of state.

(e) "Mobile home assessments" means the assessments of mobile homes made under IC 6-1.1-7.

(f) "Postabstract adjustments" means adjustments in taxes made subsequent to the filing of an auditor's abstract which change assessments therein or add assessments of omitted property affecting taxes for such assessment year.

(g) "Total county tax levy" means the sum of:

(1) the remainder of:

(A) the aggregate levy of all taxes for all taxing units in a county which are to be paid in the county for a stated assessment year as reflected by the auditor's abstract for the assessment year, adjusted, however, for any postabstract adjustments which change the amount of the aggregate levy; minus

(B) the sum of any increases in property tax levies of taxing units of the county that result from appeals described in:

(i) IC 6-1.1-18.5-13(4) and IC 6-1.1-18.5-13(5) filed after December 31, 1982; plus

(ii) the sum of any increases in property tax levies of taxing units of the county that result from any other appeals described in IC 6-1.1-18.5-13 filed after December 31, 1983; plus

(iii) IC 6-1.1-18.6-3 (children in need of services and delinquent children who are wards of the county); minus

(C) the total amount of property taxes imposed for the stated assessment year by the taxing units of the county under the authority of IC 12-1-11.5 (repealed), IC 12-2-4.5 (repealed), IC 12-19-5, or IC 12-20-24; minus

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(D) the total amount of property taxes to be paid during the stated assessment year that will be used to pay for interest or principal due on debt that:

(i) is entered into after December 31, 1983;

(ii) is not debt that is issued under IC 5-1-5 to refund debt incurred before January 1, 1984; and

(iii) does not constitute debt entered into for the purpose of building, repairing, or altering school buildings for which the requirements of IC 20-5-52 *(repealed)* were satisfied prior to January 1, 1984; minus

(E) the amount of property taxes imposed in the county for the stated assessment year under the authority of IC 21-2-6 (repealed) or any citation listed in IC 6-1.1-18.5-9.8 for a cumulative building fund whose property tax rate was initially established or reestablished for a stated assessment year that succeeds the 1983 stated assessment year; minus

(F) the remainder of:

(i) the total property taxes imposed in the county for the stated assessment year under authority of IC 21-2-6 (repealed) or any citation listed in IC 6-1.1-18.5-9.8 for a cumulative building fund whose property tax rate was not initially established or reestablished for a stated assessment year that succeeds the 1983 stated assessment year; minus

(ii) the total property taxes imposed in the county for the 1984 stated assessment year under the authority of IC 21-2-6 (repealed) or any citation listed in IC 6-1.1-18.5-9.8 for a cumulative building fund whose property tax rate was not initially established or reestablished for a stated assessment year that succeeds the 1983 stated assessment year; minus

(G) the amount of property taxes imposed in the county for the stated assessment year under:

(i) IC 21-2-15 for a capital projects fund; plus

(ii) IC 6-1.1-19-10 for a racial balance fund; plus

(iii) ~~*IC 20-14-13*~~ *IC 36-12-12* for a library capital projects fund; plus

(iv) ~~*IC 20-5-17.5-3*~~ *IC 36-10-13-7* for an art association fund; plus

(v) IC 21-2-17 for a special education preschool fund; plus

(vi) IC 21-2-11.6 for a referendum tax levy fund; plus

(vii) an appeal filed under IC 6-1.1-19-5.1 for an increase in a school corporation's maximum permissible general fund levy for certain transfer tuition costs; plus

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(viii) an appeal filed under IC 6-1.1-19-5.4 for an increase in a school corporation's maximum permissible general fund levy for transportation operating costs; minus

(H) the amount of property taxes imposed by a school corporation that is attributable to the passage, after 1983, of a referendum for an excessive tax levy under IC 6-1.1-19, including any increases in these property taxes that are attributable to the adjustment set forth in IC 6-1.1-19-1.5 or any other law; minus

(I) for each township in the county, the lesser of:

(i) the sum of the amount determined in IC 6-1.1-18.5-19(a) STEP THREE or IC 6-1.1-18.5-19(b) STEP THREE, whichever is applicable, plus the part, if any, of the township's ad valorem property tax levy for calendar year 1989 that represents increases in that levy that resulted from an appeal described in IC 6-1.1-18.5-13(4) filed after December 31, 1982; or

(ii) the amount of property taxes imposed in the township for the stated assessment year under the authority of IC 36-8-13-4; minus

(J) for each participating unit in a fire protection territory established under IC 36-8-19-1, the amount of property taxes levied by each participating unit under IC 36-8-19-8 and IC 36-8-19-8.5 less the maximum levy limit for each of the participating units that would have otherwise been available for fire protection services under IC 6-1.1-18.5-3 and IC 6-1.1-18.5-19 for that same year; minus

(K) for each county, the sum of:

(i) the amount of property taxes imposed in the county for the repayment of loans under IC 12-19-5-6 (repealed) that is included in the amount determined under IC 12-19-7-4(a) STEP SEVEN for property taxes payable in 1995, or for property taxes payable in each year after 1995, the amount determined under IC 12-19-7-4(b); and

(ii) the amount of property taxes imposed in the county attributable to appeals granted under IC 6-1.1-18.6-3 that is included in the amount determined under IC 12-19-7-4(a) STEP SEVEN for property taxes payable in 1995, or the amount determined under IC 12-19-7-4(b) for property taxes payable in each year after 1995; plus

(2) all taxes to be paid in the county in respect to mobile home assessments currently assessed for the year in which the taxes

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stated in the abstract are to be paid; plus

(3) the amounts, if any, of county adjusted gross income taxes that were applied by the taxing units in the county as property tax replacement credits to reduce the individual levies of the taxing units for the assessment year, as provided in IC 6-3.5-1.1; plus

(4) the amounts, if any, by which the maximum permissible ad valorem property tax levies of the taxing units of the county were reduced under IC 6-1.1-18.5-3(b) STEP EIGHT for the stated assessment year; plus

(5) the difference between:

(A) the amount determined in IC 6-1.1-18.5-3(e) STEP FOUR; minus

(B) the amount the civil taxing units' levies were increased because of the reduction in the civil taxing units' base year certified shares under IC 6-1.1-18.5-3(e).

(h) "December settlement sheet" means the certificate of settlement filed by the county auditor with the auditor of state, as required under IC 6-1.1-27-3.

(i) "Tax duplicate" means the roll of property taxes which each county auditor is required to prepare on or before March 1 of each year under IC 6-1.1-22-3.

(j) "Eligible property tax replacement amount" is, *except as otherwise provided by law,* equal to the sum of the following:

(1) Sixty percent (60%) of the total county tax levy imposed by each school corporation in a county for its general fund for a stated assessment year.

(2) Twenty percent (20%) of the total county tax levy (less sixty percent (60%) of the levy for the general fund of a school corporation that is part of the total county tax levy) imposed in a county on real property for a stated assessment year.

(3) Twenty percent (20%) of the total county tax levy (less sixty percent (60%) of the levy for the general fund of a school corporation that is part of the total county tax levy) imposed in a county on tangible personal property, excluding business personal property, for an assessment year.

(k) "Business personal property" means tangible personal property (other than real property) that is being:

(1) held for sale in the ordinary course of a trade or business; or

(2) held, used, or consumed in connection with the production of income.

(l) "Taxpayer's property tax replacement credit amount" means, *except as otherwise provided by law,* the sum of the following:

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(1) Sixty percent (60%) of a taxpayer's tax liability in a calendar year for taxes imposed by a school corporation for its general fund for a stated assessment year.

(2) Twenty percent (20%) of a taxpayer's tax liability for a stated assessment year for a total county tax levy (less sixty percent (60%) of the levy for the general fund of a school corporation that is part of the total county tax levy) on real property.

(3) Twenty percent (20%) of a taxpayer's tax liability for a stated assessment year for a total county tax levy (less sixty percent (60%) of the levy for the general fund of a school corporation that is part of the total county tax levy) on tangible personal property other than business personal property.

(m) "Tax liability" means tax liability as described in section 5 of this chapter.

(n) "General school operating levy" means the ad valorem property tax levy of a school corporation in a county for the school corporation's general fund.

(o) "Board" refers to the property tax replacement fund board established under section 10 of this chapter.

SECTION 139. IC 6-1.1-21-5.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5.5. ~~(a)~~ An economic development district that is located in one (1) or more taxing districts in a county qualifies that county and the taxpayers located in those taxing districts for additional distributions and credits under this chapter if the following requirements are met:

(1) The economic development district was established under IC 6-1.1-39.

(2) The economic development district was established before January 1, 1988.

(3) The additional distributions and credits for the economic development district were approved by the department of commerce **(before its abolishment)** before January 1, 1988.

~~(b) The department of commerce may not issue more than three (3) approvals under this section.~~

SECTION 140. IC 6-1.1-21-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. (a) There is established a property tax replacement fund board to consist of the commissioner of the department, the commissioner of the department of local government finance, the director of the budget agency, and two (2) ex officio nonvoting representatives of the general assembly of the state of Indiana. The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint one (1) member of the house as one (1) of the ex officio

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nonvoting representatives, and the president pro tempore of the senate shall appoint one (1) senator as the other ex officio nonvoting representative, each to serve at the will of the appointing officer. The commissioner of the department shall be the chairman of the board, and the director of the budget agency shall be the secretary of the board.

(b) ~~Except as provided in section 10.5 of this chapter,~~ The schedule to be used in making distributions to county treasurers during the periods set forth in section 4(b) of this chapter is as follows:

January	0.00%
February	0.00%
March	16.70%
April	16.70%
May	0.00%
June	0.00%
July	16.60%
August	0.00%
September	16.70%
October	16.70%
November	16.60%
December	0.00%

The board may authorize the department to distribute the estimated distributions to counties earlier than what is required under section 4(b) of this chapter.

(c) The board is also authorized to transfer funds from the property tax replacement fund for the purpose of providing financial aid to school corporations as provided in IC 21-3.

SECTION 141. IC 6-3.1-9-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.235-2005, SECTION 95, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. As used in this chapter:

"Business firm" means any business entity authorized to do business in the state of Indiana that has state tax liability.

"Community services" means any type of counseling and advice, emergency assistance, medical care, recreational facilities, housing facilities, or economic development assistance to individuals, groups, or neighborhood organizations in an economically disadvantaged area.

"Crime prevention" means any activity which aids in the reduction of crime in an economically disadvantaged area.

"Economically disadvantaged area" means an enterprise zone, or any area in Indiana that is certified as an economically disadvantaged area by the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority after consultation with the community services agency. The certification shall be made on the basis of current indices of social and

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economic conditions, which shall include but not be limited to the median per capita income of the area in relation to the median per capita income of the state or standard metropolitan statistical area in which the area is located.

"Education" means any type of scholastic instruction or scholarship assistance to an individual who resides in an economically disadvantaged area that enables the individual to prepare for better life opportunities.

"Enterprise zone" means an enterprise zone created under IC 5-28-15.

"Job training" means any type of instruction to an individual who resides in an economically disadvantaged area that enables the individual to acquire vocational skills so that the individual can become employable or be able to seek a higher grade of employment.

"Neighborhood assistance" means either:

(1) furnishing financial assistance, labor, material, and technical advice to aid in the physical or economic improvement of any part or all of an economically disadvantaged area; or

(2) furnishing technical advice to promote higher employment in any neighborhood in Indiana.

"Neighborhood organization" means any organization, including but not limited to a nonprofit development corporation:

(1) performing community services in an economically disadvantaged area; and

(2) holding a ruling:

(A) from the Internal Revenue Service of the United States Department of the Treasury that the organization is exempt from income taxation under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code; and

(B) from the department of state revenue that the organization is exempt from income taxation under IC 6-2.5-5-21.

"Person" means any individual subject to Indiana gross or adjusted gross income tax.

"State fiscal year" means a twelve (12) month period beginning on July 1 and ending on June 30.

"State tax liability" means the taxpayer's total tax liability that is incurred under:

(1) IC 6-3-1 through IC 6-3-7 (the adjusted gross income tax); and

(2) IC 6-5.5 (the financial institutions tax);

as computed after the application of the credits that, under IC 6-3.1-1-2, are to be applied before the credit provided by this chapter.

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"Tax credit" means a deduction from any tax otherwise due and payable under IC 6-3 or IC 6-5.5.

SECTION 142. IC 6-3.1-9-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.235-2005, SECTION 96, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) A business firm or a person who contributes to a neighborhood organization or who engages in the activities of providing neighborhood assistance, job training, or education for individuals not employed by the business firm or person, or for community services or crime prevention in an economically disadvantaged area shall receive a tax credit as provided in section 3 of this chapter if the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority approves the proposal of the business firm or person, setting forth the program to be conducted, the area selected, the estimated amount to be invested in the program, and the plans for implementing the program.

(b) The Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority, after consultation with the community services agency and the commissioner of revenue, may adopt rules for the approval or disapproval of these proposals.

SECTION 143. IC 6-3.1-9-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.235-2005, SECTION 97, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) Any business firm or person which desires to claim a tax credit as provided in this chapter shall file with the department, in the form that the department may prescribe, an application stating the amount of the contribution or investment which it proposes to make which would qualify for a tax credit, and the amount sought to be claimed as a credit. The application shall include a certificate evidencing approval of the contribution or program by the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority.

(b) The Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority shall give priority in issuing certificates to applicants whose contributions or programs directly benefit enterprise zones.

(c) The department shall promptly notify an applicant whether, or the extent to which, the tax credit is allowable in the state fiscal year in which the application is filed, as provided in section 5 of this chapter. If the credit is allowable in that state fiscal year, the applicant shall within thirty (30) days after receipt of the notice file with the department of state revenue a statement, in the form and accompanied by the proof of payment as the department may prescribe, setting forth that the amount to be claimed as a credit under this chapter has been paid to an organization for an approved program or purpose, or permanently set aside in a special account to be used solely for an

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approved program or purpose.

(d) The department may disallow any credit claimed under this chapter for which the statement or proof of payment is not filed within the thirty (30) day period.

SECTION 144. IC 6-3.1-26-18, AS AMENDED BY P.L.4-2005, SECTION 107, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.199-2005, SECTION 23, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 18. After receipt of an application, the ~~*board*~~ *corporation* may enter into an agreement with the applicant for a credit under this chapter if the ~~*board*~~ *corporation* determines that all the following conditions exist:

~~*(1) The applicant has conducted business in Indiana for at least one (1) year immediately preceding the date the application is received.*~~

~~*(2)*~~ *(1)* The applicant's project will raise the total earnings of employees of the applicant in Indiana.

~~*(3)*~~ *(2)* The applicant's project is economically sound and will benefit the people of Indiana by increasing opportunities for employment and strengthening the economy of Indiana.

~~*(4)*~~ *(3)* Receiving the tax credit is a major factor in the applicant's decision to go forward with the project and not receiving the tax credit will result in the applicant not raising the total earnings of employees in Indiana.

~~*(5)*~~ *(4)* Awarding the tax credit will result in an overall positive fiscal impact to the state, as certified by the budget agency using the best available data.

~~*(6)*~~ *(5)* The credit is not prohibited by section 19 of this chapter.

~~*(7)*~~ *(6)* The average wage that will be paid by the taxpayer to its employees (excluding highly compensated employees) at the location after the credit is given will be at least equal to one hundred fifty percent (150%) of the hourly minimum wage under IC 22-2-2-4 or its equivalent.

SECTION 145. IC 6-3.1-29-8, AS ADDED BY P.L.191-2005, SECTION 15, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. As used in this ~~section,~~ **chapter,** "minority business enterprise" has the meaning set forth in IC 4-13-16.5-1.

SECTION 146. IC 6-3.5-7-13.1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.118-2005, SECTION 2, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.214-2005, SECTION 21, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 13.1. (a) The fiscal officer of each county, city, or town for a county in which the county economic development tax is imposed shall establish an economic development

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income tax fund. Except as provided in sections 23, 25, 26, and 27 of this chapter, the revenue received by a county, city, or town under this chapter shall be deposited in the unit's economic development income tax fund.

(b) Except as provided in sections 15, 23, 25, 26, and 27 of this chapter, revenues from the county economic development income tax may be used as follows:

(1) By a county, city, or town for economic development projects, for paying, notwithstanding any other law, under a written agreement all or a part of the interest owed by a private developer or user on a loan extended by a financial institution or other lender to the developer or user if the proceeds of the loan are or are to be used to finance an economic development project, for the retirement of bonds under section 14 of this chapter for economic development projects, for leases under section 21 of this chapter, or for leases or bonds entered into or issued prior to the date the economic development income tax was imposed if the purpose of the lease or bonds would have qualified as a purpose under this chapter at the time the lease was entered into or the bonds were issued.

(2) By a county, city, or town for:

(A) the construction or acquisition of, or remedial action with respect to, a capital project for which the unit is empowered to issue general obligation bonds or establish a fund under any statute listed in IC 6-1.1-18.5-9.8;

(B) the retirement of bonds issued under any provision of Indiana law for a capital project;

(C) the payment of lease rentals under any statute for a capital project;

(D) contract payments to a nonprofit corporation whose primary corporate purpose is to assist government in planning and implementing economic development projects;

(E) operating expenses of a governmental entity that plans or implements economic development projects;

(F) to the extent not otherwise allowed under this chapter, funding substance removal or remedial action in a designated unit; or

(G) funding of a revolving fund established under IC 5-1-14-14.

(3) By a county, city, or town for any lawful purpose for which money in any of its other funds may be used.

~~*(3)*~~ **(4)** *By a city or county described in IC 36-7.5-2-3(b) for*

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making transfers required by IC 36-7.5-4-2. If the county economic development income tax rate is increased after April 30, 2005, in a county having a population of more than one hundred forty-five thousand (145,000) but less than one hundred forty-eight thousand (148,000), the first three million five hundred thousand dollars ($3,500,000) of the tax revenue that results each year from the tax rate increase shall be used by the county only to make the county's transfer required by IC 36-7.5-4-2. The first three million five hundred thousand dollars ($3,500,000) of the tax revenue that results each year from the tax rate increase shall be paid by the county treasurer to the treasurer of the northwest Indiana regional development authority under IC 36-7.5-4-2 before certified distributions are made to the county or any cities or towns in the county under this chapter from the tax revenue that results each year from the tax rate increase. In a county having a population of more than one hundred forty-five thousand (145,000) but less than one hundred forty-eight thousand (148,000), all of the tax revenue that results each year from the tax rate increase that is in excess of the first three million five hundred thousand dollars ($3,500,000) that results each year from the tax rate increase must be used by the county and cities and towns in the county for additional homestead credits under subdivision ~~(4).~~ **(5).**

~~*(4)*~~ **(5)** *This subdivision applies only in a county having a population of more than one hundred forty-five thousand (145,000) but less than one hundred forty-eight thousand (148,000). Except as otherwise provided, the procedures and definitions in IC 6-1.1-20.9 apply to this subdivision. All of the tax revenue that results each year from a tax rate increase described in subdivision ~~(3)~~* **(4)** *that is in excess of the first three million five hundred thousand dollars ($3,500,000) that results each year from the tax rate increase must be used by the county and cities and towns in the county for additional homestead credits under this subdivision. The following apply to additional homestead credits provided under this subdivision:*

(A) The additional homestead credits must be applied uniformly to increase the homestead credit under IC 6-1.1-20.9 for homesteads in the county, city, or town.

(B) The additional homestead credits shall be treated for all purposes as property tax levies. The additional homestead credits do not reduce the basis for determining the state property tax replacement credit under IC 6-1.1-21 or the state

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homestead credit under IC 6-1.1-20.9.

(C) The additional homestead credits shall be applied to the net property taxes due on the homestead after the application of all other assessed value deductions or property tax deductions and credits that apply to the amount owed under IC 6-1.1.

(D) The department of local government finance shall determine the additional homestead credit percentage for a particular year based on the amount of county economic development income tax revenue that will be used under this subdivision to provide additional homestead credits in that year.

~~*(5)*~~ **(6)** *This subdivision applies only in a county having a population of more than four hundred thousand (400,000) but less than seven hundred thousand (700,000). Except as otherwise provided, the procedures and definitions in IC 6-1.1-20.9 apply to this subdivision. A county or a city or town in the county may use county economic development income tax revenue to provide additional homestead credits in the county, city, or town. The following apply to additional homestead credits provided under this subdivision:*

(A) The county, city, or town fiscal body must adopt an ordinance authorizing the additional homestead credits. The ordinance must:

(i) be adopted before September 1 of a year to apply to property taxes first due and payable in the following year; and

(ii) specify the amount of county economic development income tax revenue that will be used to provide additional homestead credits in the following year.

(B) A county, city, or town fiscal body that adopts an ordinance under this subdivision must forward a copy of the ordinance to the county auditor and the department of local government finance not more than thirty (30) days after the ordinance is adopted.

(C) The additional homestead credits must be applied uniformly to increase the homestead credit under IC 6-1.1-20.9 for homesteads in the county, city, or town.

(D) The additional homestead credits shall be treated for all purposes as property tax levies. The additional homestead credits do not reduce the basis for determining the state property tax replacement credit under IC 6-1.1-21 or the state

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homestead credit under IC 6-1.1-20.9.

(E) The additional homestead credits shall be applied to the net property taxes due on the homestead after the application of all other assessed value deductions or property tax deductions and credits that apply to the amount owed under IC 6-1.1.

(F) The department of local government finance shall determine the additional homestead credit percentage for a particular year based on the amount of county economic development income tax revenue that will be used under this subdivision to provide additional homestead credits in that year.

(c) As used in this section, an economic development project is any project that:

(1) the county, city, or town determines will:

(A) promote significant opportunities for the gainful employment of its citizens;

(B) attract a major new business enterprise to the unit; or

(C) retain or expand a significant business enterprise within the unit; and

(2) involves an expenditure for:

(A) the acquisition of land;

(B) interests in land;

(C) site improvements;

(D) infrastructure improvements;

(E) buildings;

(F) structures;

(G) rehabilitation, renovation, and enlargement of buildings and structures;

(H) machinery;

(I) equipment;

(J) furnishings;

(K) facilities;

(L) administrative expenses associated with such a project, including contract payments authorized under subsection (b)(2)(D);

(M) operating expenses authorized under subsection (b)(2)(E); or

(N) to the extent not otherwise allowed under this chapter, substance removal or remedial action in a designated unit;

or any combination of these.

(d) If there are bonds outstanding that have been issued under

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section 14 of this chapter or leases in effect under section 21 of this chapter, a county, city, or town may not expend money from its economic development income tax fund for a purpose authorized under subsection (b)(3) in a manner that would adversely affect owners of the outstanding bonds or payment of any lease rentals due.

SECTION 147. IC 6-6-10-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. (a) Before July 1 of each year, the department of state revenue shall distribute the money in the emergency planning and right to know fund as follows:

(1) Ten percent (10%) allocated to the emergency response commission and administered by the ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** to be used to enhance communication among local emergency planning committees and between local emergency planning committees and the emergency response commission in order to strengthen joint hazardous material incident response capabilities. Money received as an allocation under this subdivision does not revert to the state general fund at the end of a state fiscal year.

(2) The distribution to the hazardous substance response fund established by IC 13-25-4-1 that is authorized for the year by the general assembly.

(3) A distribution of the remaining money as follows:

(A) To each county, two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500).

(B) To each county, an additional distribution in an amount determined in STEP TWO of the following formula:

STEP ONE: Divide the amount available for distribution by the number of annual returns filed under section 6(b) of this chapter in the calendar year preceding the distribution.

STEP TWO: Multiply the quotient determined in STEP ONE by the number of facilities located in each county.

The department of state revenue may make a distribution to a county under this subdivision only after receiving notice from the emergency response commission that the local emergency planning committee for the county has met the requirements of IC 13-25-1-6(b).

(b) The revenue distributed to the county under this section shall be deposited in a separate fund established by the county for the purpose of:

(1) preparing and updating a comprehensive emergency response plan required under 42 U.S.C. 11003 for the county or emergency planning district;

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(2) establishing and implementing procedures for receiving and processing requests from the public for information about hazardous chemicals under Title III of SARA (42 U.S.C. 11001 et seq.);

(3) training for emergency response planning, information management, and hazardous materials incident response;

(4) equipping a hazardous materials response team that provides at least a district wide emergency planning response if the equipment purchased is consistent with current training levels of the response team members;

(5) purchasing communication equipment for a local emergency planning committee's administrative use;

(6) paying an optional stipend to local emergency planning committee members who attend regularly scheduled meetings at which a quorum is present in an amount:

(A) determined by a majority of the local emergency planning committee membership; and

(B) that is not more than twenty dollars ($20) per member per meeting; and

(7) paying for Title III risk communication, chemical accident related, and accident prevention projects submitted to and approved by the Indiana emergency response commission.

However, revenue distributed to a county under this section may be used for the purpose set forth in subdivisions (3) through (7) only if the local emergency planning committee appointed for the county has prepared and submitted to the emergency response commission an emergency plan that meets the requirements of 42 U.S.C. 11003(a) and has received approval for the training programs from the emergency response commission.

(c) The fund established under subsection (b) shall be administered by the county executive. The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from money in the fund. Money in the fund not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund may be invested in the same manner as other public funds. Interest that accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the fund. Money in the fund at the end of the fiscal year remains in the fund and does not revert to any other fund.

(d) Money shall be appropriated by a county fiscal body (as defined in IC 36-1-2-6) from a fund established under subsection (b) upon the receipt by the county fiscal body of the local emergency planning committee's spending plan. The spending plan must:

(1) have been approved by a majority of the members of the local

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emergency planning committee; and

(2) conform with the provisions of this chapter.

The county fiscal body may not appropriate money from the fund established under subsection (b) for any person or purpose other than the local emergency planning committee.

(e) All equipment, apparatus, and supplies purchased with money from a fund established under subsection (b) remains under the direction and control of the local emergency planning committee.

SECTION 148. IC 6-8.1-10-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.2-2005, SECTION 23, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.236-2005, SECTION 2, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) If a person fails to file a return for any of the listed taxes, fails to pay the full amount of tax shown on ~~his~~ *the person's* return by the due date for the return or the payment, or incurs a deficiency upon a determination by the department, the person is subject to interest on the nonpayment.

(b) The interest for a failure described in subsection (a) is the adjusted rate established by the commissioner under subsection (c), from the due date for payment. The interest applies to:

(1) the full amount of the unpaid tax due if the person failed to file the return;

(2) the amount of the tax that is not paid, if the person filed the return but failed to pay the full amount of tax shown on the return; or

(3) the amount of the deficiency.

(c) The commissioner shall establish an adjusted rate of interest for a failure described in subsection (a) and for an excess tax payment on or before November 1 of each year. For purposes of subsection (b), the adjusted rate of interest shall be the percentage rounded to the nearest whole number that equals two (2) percentage points above the average investment yield on state money for the state's previous fiscal year, excluding pension fund investments, as published in the auditor of state's comprehensive annual financial report. For purposes of IC 6-8.1-9-2(c), the adjusted rate of interest for an excess tax payment is the percentage rounded to the nearest whole number that equals the average investment yield on state money for the state's previous fiscal year, excluding pension fund investments, as published in the auditor of state's comprehensive annual financial report. The adjusted rates of interest established under this subsection shall take effect on January 1 of the immediately succeeding year.

(d) For purposes of this section, the filing of a substantially blank or unsigned return does not constitute a return.

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(e) *Except as provided by IC 6-8.1-3-17(c) and IC 6-8.1-5-2,* the department may not waive the interest imposed under this section.

(f) Subsections (a) through (c) do not apply to a motor carrier fuel tax return.

SECTION 149. IC 7.1-3-20-16, AS AMENDED BY P.L.155-2005, SECTION 1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.214-2005, SECTION 48, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.224-2005, SECTION 16, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 16. (a) A permit that is authorized by this section may be issued without regard to the quota provisions of IC 7.1-3-22.

(b) The commission may issue a three-way permit to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption only to an applicant who is the proprietor, as owner or lessee, or both, of a restaurant facility in the passenger terminal complex of a publicly owned airport which is served by a scheduled commercial passenger airline certified to enplane and deplane passengers on a scheduled basis by a federal aviation agency. A permit issued under this subsection shall not be transferred to a location off the airport premises.

(c) The commission may issue a three-way, two-way, or one-way permit to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption only to an applicant who is the proprietor, as owner or lessee, or both, of a restaurant within a redevelopment project consisting of a building or group of buildings that:

(1) was formerly used as part of a union railway station;

(2) has been listed in or is within a district that has been listed in the federal National Register of Historic Places maintained pursuant to the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended; and

(3) has been redeveloped or renovated, with the redevelopment or renovation being funded in part with grants from the federal, state, or local government.

A permit issued under this subsection shall not be transferred to a location outside of the redevelopment project.

(d) The commission may issue a three-way, two-way, or one-way permit to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption only to an applicant who is the proprietor, as owner or lessee, or both, of a restaurant:

(1) on land; or

(2) in a historic river vessel;

within a municipal riverfront development project funded in part with state and city money. A permit issued under this subsection may not be transferred.

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(e) The commission may issue a three-way, two-way, or one-way permit to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption only to an applicant who is the proprietor, as owner or lessee, or both, of a restaurant within a renovation project consisting of a building that:

(1) was formerly used as part of a passenger and freight railway station; and

(2) was built before 1900.

The permit authorized by this subsection may be issued without regard to the proximity provisions of IC 7.1-3-21-11.

(f) The commission may issue a three-way permit for the sale of alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption at a cultural center for the visual and performing arts to a town that:

(1) is located in a county having a population of more than four hundred thousand (400,000) but less than seven hundred thousand (700,000); and

(2) has a population of more than twenty thousand (20,000) but less than twenty-three thousand (23,000).

(g) After June 30, 2005, the commission may issue not more than ten (10) new three-way, two-way, or one-way permits to sell alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption to applicants, each of whom must be the proprietor, as owner or lessee, or both, of a restaurant located within a district, or not more than five hundred (500) feet from a district, that meets the following requirements:

(1) The district has been listed in the National Register of Historic Places maintained under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended.

(2) A county courthouse is located within the district.

(3) A historic opera house listed on the National Register of Historic Places is located within the district.

(4) A historic jail and sheriff's house listed on the National Register of Historic Places is located within the district.

The legislative body of the municipality in which the district is located shall recommend to the commission sites that are eligible to be permit premises. The commission shall consider, but is not required to follow, the municipal legislative body's recommendation in issuing a permit under this subsection. An applicant is not eligible for a permit if, less than two (2) years before the date of the application, the applicant sold a retailer's permit that was subject to IC 7.1-3-22 and that was for premises located within the district described in this section or within five hundred (500) feet of the district. A permit issued under this subsection shall not be transferred. The cost of an initial permit issued under this subsection is six thousand dollars ($6,000).

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~~(g)~~ **(h)** *The commission may issue a three-way permit for the sale of alcoholic beverages for on premises consumption to an applicant who will locate as the proprietor, as owner or lessee, or both, of a restaurant within an economic development area under IC 36-7-14 in:*

(1) a town with a population of more than twenty thousand (20,000); or

(2) a city with a population of more than twenty-seven thousand (27,000) but less than twenty-seven thousand four hundred (27,400);

located in a county having a population of more than ninety thousand (90,000) but less than one hundred thousand (100,000). The commission may issue not more than five (5) licenses under this section to premises within a municipality described in subdivision (1) and not more than five (5) licenses to premises within a municipality described in subdivision (2). The commission shall conduct an auction of the permits under IC 7.1-3-22-9, except that the auction may be conducted at any time as determined by the commission. Notwithstanding any other law, the minimum bid for an initial license under this subsection is thirty-five thousand dollars ($35,000), and the renewal fee for a license under this subsection is one thousand three hundred fifty dollars ($1,350). Before the district expires, a permit issued under this subsection may not be transferred. After the district expires, a permit issued under this subsection may be renewed, and the ownership of the permit may be transferred, but the permit may not be transferred from the permit premises.

SECTION 150. IC 7.1-3-20-16.1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.155-2005, SECTION 2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.185-2005, SECTION 2, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.214-2005, SECTION 49, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 16.1. (a) This section applies to a municipal riverfront development project authorized under section 16(d) of this chapter.

(b) In order to qualify for a permit, an applicant must demonstrate that the municipal riverfront development project area where the permit is to be located meets the following criteria:

(1) The project boundaries must border on at least one (1) side of a river.

(2) The proposed permit premises may not be located more than:

(A) one thousand five hundred (1,500) feet; or

(B) three (3) city blocks;

from the river, whichever is greater. However, if the area adjacent to the river is incapable of being developed because the area is in

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a floodplain, or for any other reason that prevents the area from being developed, the distances described in clauses (A) and (B) are measured from the city blocks located nearest to the river that are capable of being developed.

(3) The permit premises are located within:

(A) an economic development area, ~~a blighted~~ *a redevelopment project* area, an urban renewal area, or a redevelopment area established under IC 36-7-14, IC 36-7-14.5, or IC 36-7-15.1; ~~or~~

(B) an economic development project district under IC 36-7-15.2 or IC 36-7-26; *or*

(C) a community revitalization enhancement district designated under IC 36-7-13-12.1.

(4) The project must be funded in part with state and city money.

(5) The boundaries of the municipal riverfront development project must be designated by ordinance or resolution by the legislative body (as defined in IC 36-1-2-9(3) or IC 36-1-2-9(4)) of the city in which the project is located.

(c) Proof of compliance with subsection (b) must consist of the following documentation, which is required at the time the permit application is filed with the commission:

(1) A detailed map showing:

(A) definite boundaries of the entire municipal riverfront development project; and

(B) the location of the proposed permit within the project.

(2) A copy of the local ordinance or resolution of the local governing body authorizing the municipal riverfront development project.

(3) Detailed information concerning the expenditures of state and city funds on the municipal riverfront development project.

(d) Notwithstanding subsection (b), the commission may issue a permit for premises, the location of which does not meet the criteria of subsection (b)(2), if all the following requirements are met:

(1) All other requirements of this section and section 16(d) of this chapter are satisfied.

(2) The proposed premises is located not more than:

(A) three thousand (3,000) feet; or

(B) six (6) blocks;

from the river, whichever is greater. However, if the area adjacent to the river is incapable of being developed because the area is in a floodplain, or for any other reason that prevents the area from being developed, the distances described in clauses (A) and (B)

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are measured from the city blocks located nearest to the river that are capable of being developed.

(3) The permit applicant satisfies the criteria established by the commission by rule adopted under IC 4-22-2. The criteria established by the commission may require that the proposed premises be located in an area or district set forth in subsection (b)(3).

(4) The permit premises may not be located less than two hundred (200) feet from facilities owned by a state educational institution (as defined in IC 20-12-0.5-1).

(e) A permit may not be issued if the proposed permit premises is the location of an existing three-way permit subject to IC 7.1-3-22-3.

SECTION 151. IC 7.1-5-1-9.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9.5. (a) An in state or an out of state vintner, distiller, brewer, rectifier, or importer that:

(1) holds a basic permit from the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, ~~and~~ Firearms ~~who~~ **and Explosives; and**

(2) knowingly violates IC 7.1-5-11-1.5;

commits a Class A misdemeanor.

(b) A person who:

(1) is not described in subsection (a); ~~who~~ **and**

(2) knowingly violates IC 7.1-5-11-1.5;

commits a Class D felony.

(c) If the chairman of the alcohol and tobacco commission or the attorney general determines that a vintner, distiller, brewer, rectifier, or importer that holds a basic permit from the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, ~~and~~ Firearms **and Explosives** has made an illegal shipment of an alcoholic beverage to consumers in Indiana, the chairman shall:

(1) notify the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, ~~and~~ Firearms **and Explosives** in writing and by certified mail of the official determination that state law has been violated; and

(2) request the federal bureau to take appropriate action.

SECTION 152. IC 8-1-8.8-13 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 13. An eligible business shall file a monthly report with the ~~department of commerce~~ **lieutenant governor** stating the following information:

(1) The amount of Illinois Basin coal, if any, purchased during the previous month for use in a new energy generating facility.

(2) The amount of any fuel produced by a coal gasification facility and purchased by the eligible business during the previous month.

(3) Any other information the ~~department of commerce~~ **lieutenant governor** may reasonably require.

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SECTION 153. IC 8-2.1-22-46 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 46. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, common and contract carriers and other carriers engaged in the transportation of passengers or household goods for hire, over regular or irregular routes, whether operating pursuant to a certificate or permit or as an exempt carrier under section 2.1(5) of this chapter, shall file with the department proof of financial responsibility in the form of surety bonds or policies of insurance or shall qualify as a self-insured. The minimum level of financial responsibility required shall be the minimum level established under ~~49 U.S.C. 10927(a)(1).~~ **49 U.S.C. 13906(a)(1).**

(b) A person who violates this section commits a Class C infraction. However, the offense is a Class A misdemeanor if the person has a prior unrelated judgment for violating this section.

(c) In addition to any other penalty imposed upon a person for a conviction of a Class A misdemeanor under subsection (b), the law enforcement agency may impound the vehicles owned by the person. Unless the vehicle is impounded or forfeited under a law other than this section, the vehicle shall be released to the carrier when the carrier complies with this section.

SECTION 154. IC 8-9.5-9-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.214-2005, SECTION 50, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "authority" means:

(1) an authority or agency established under IC 8-1-2.2 or IC 8-9.5 through IC 8-23;

(2) when acting under an affected statute (as defined in IC 4-4-10.9-1.2), the Indiana finance authority established by IC 4-4-11;

(3) only in connection with a program established under IC 13-18-13 or IC 13-18-21, the bank established under IC 5-1.5;

(4) a fund or program established under IC 13-18-13 or IC 13-18-21;

(5) the Indiana health and educational facility financing authority established by IC 5-1-16;

(6) the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority established by IC 5-20-1;

(7) the authority established under IC 4-4-11; or

(8) the authority established under IC 5-1-17.

SECTION 155. IC 8-10-4-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.232-2005, SECTION 9, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.235-2005, SECTION 112, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. *(a)* In addition to the powers

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conferred upon the Indiana port commission by other provisions of this article, *and subject to subsection (b),* the commission, in connection with any self-liquidating *or nonrecourse* project, shall have the following powers notwithstanding any other provision of this article to the contrary:

(1) The revenue bonds issued by the commission to finance the cost of such self-liquidating *or nonrecourse* project may be issued without regard to any maximum interest rate limitation in this article or any other law.

(2) The revenue bonds issued by the commission to finance the cost of such self-liquidating *or nonrecourse* project may be sold in such manner, either at public or private sale, as the commission may determine, and the provisions of IC 4-1-5 shall not be applicable to such sale.

(3) IC 4-13.6, IC 5-16-1, IC 5-16-2, IC 5-16-3, IC 5-16-5, IC 5-16-5.5, IC 5-16-6, IC 5-16-6.5, IC 5-16-8, IC 5-16-9, IC 5-16-10, IC 5-16-11, IC 5-16-11.1, IC 8-10-1-7(12), IC 8-10-1-29, and IC 36-1-12 do not apply to a *self-liquidating or nonrecourse* project. ~~*to be leased to a private party whose payments are expected to be sufficient to pay all debt service on bonds issued by the commission to finance the project.*~~

(b) The issuance of revenue bonds by the commission under this chapter is subject to the approval of the governor.

SECTION 156. IC 8-14.5-7-1, AS ADDED BY P.L.246-2005, SECTION 83, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "authority" refers to the Indiana ~~transportation~~ finance authority or its successor.

SECTION 157. IC 8-15-2-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.214-2005, SECTION 51, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.235-2005, SECTION 115, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) In order to remove the handicaps and hazards on the congested highways in Indiana, to facilitate vehicular traffic throughout the state, to promote the agricultural and industrial development of the state, and to provide for the general welfare by the construction of modern express highways embodying safety devices, including center division, ample shoulder widths, long sight distances, multiple lanes in each direction, and grade separations at intersections with other highways and railroads, the authority may:

(1) construct, reconstruct, maintain, repair, and operate toll road projects at such locations as shall be approved by the governor;

(2) in accordance with such alignment and design standards as

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shall be approved by the authority and subject to IC 8-9.5-8-10, issue toll road revenue bonds of the state payable solely from funds pledged for their payment, as authorized by this chapter, to pay the cost of such projects;

(3) finance, develop, construct, reconstruct, improve, or maintain ~~public~~ improvements ~~such as roads and streets, sewerlines, waterlines, and sidewalks~~ for manufacturing, ~~or~~ commercial, *or public transportation* activities within a county through which a toll road passes; ~~if these improvements are within the county and are within an area that is located:~~

~~(A) ten (10) miles on either side of the center line of a toll road project, or~~

~~(B) two (2) miles on either side of the center line of any limited access highway that interchanges with a toll road project;~~

(4) in cooperation with the Indiana department of transportation or a political subdivision, construct, reconstruct, or finance the construction or reconstruction of an arterial highway or an arterial street that is located within ~~ten (10) miles of the center line of~~ a *county through which a* toll road ~~project~~ *passes* and that:

(A) interchanges with a toll road project; or

(B) intersects with a road or a street that interchanges with a toll road project;

(5) ~~assist in~~ *finance improvements necessary for* developing ~~existing~~ transportation corridors in northwestern Indiana; and

(6) exercise these powers in participation with any governmental entity or with any individual, partnership, limited liability company, or corporation.

(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), the authority shall not construct, maintain, operate, nor contract for the construction, maintenance, or operation of transient lodging facilities on, or adjacent to, such toll road projects.

(c) This chapter:

(1) applies to the authority only when acting for the purposes set forth in this chapter; and

(2) does not apply to the authority when acting under any other statute for any other purpose.

SECTION 158. IC 9-13-2-92, AS AMENDED BY P.L.210-2005, SECTION 8, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.227-2005, SECTION 8, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 92. (a) "Law enforcement officer", except as provided in subsection (b), includes the following:

(1) A state police officer.

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(2) A city, town, or county police officer.
(3) A sheriff.
(4) A county coroner.
(5) A conservation officer.
(6) An individual assigned as a motor carrier inspector under IC 10-11-2-26(a).
~~(6)~~ **(7)** *A member of a consolidated law enforcement department established under IC 36-3-1-5.1.*

(b) "Law enforcement officer", for purposes of IC 9-30-5, IC 9-30-6, IC 9-30-7, IC 9-30-8, and IC 9-30-9, has the meaning set forth in IC 35-41-1.

SECTION 159. IC 9-14-3.5-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. (a) Except as provided in sections 8 **and** 10 ~~and 11~~ of this chapter:

(1) an officer or employee of the bureau;
(2) an officer or employee of the bureau of motor vehicles commission; or
(3) a contractor of the bureau or the bureau of motor vehicles commission (or an officer or employee of the contractor);

may not knowingly disclose personal information about a person obtained by the bureau in connection with a motor vehicle record.

(b) A person's Social Security number shall not be in any way disclosed on a motor vehicle registration.

SECTION 160. IC 9-14-3.5-13 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 13. (a) An authorized recipient of personal information, except a recipient under section 10(11) **or** 10(12) ~~or 11~~ of this chapter, may resell or re-disclose the information for any use allowed under section 10 of this chapter, except for a use under section 10(11) or 10(12) of this chapter.

(b) An authorized recipient of a record under section 10(11) of this chapter may resell or re-disclose personal information for any purpose.

(c) An authorized recipient of personal information under IC 9-14-3-6 and section 10(12) of this chapter may resell or re-disclose the personal information for use only in accordance with section 10(12) of this chapter.

(d) Except for a recipient under section 10(11) of this chapter, a recipient who resells or re-discloses personal information is required to maintain and make available for inspection to the bureau, upon request, for at least five (5) years, records concerning:

(1) each person that receives the information; and
(2) the permitted use for which the information was obtained.

SECTION 161. IC 9-18-1-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.210-2005,

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SECTION 20, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.219-2005, SECTION 11, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. This article does not apply to the following:

(1) Farm wagons.

(2) Farm tractors.

~~*(3) Farm machinery.*~~

~~*(4)*~~ *(3)* A new motor vehicle if the new motor vehicle is being operated in Indiana solely to remove it from an accident site to a storage location because:

(A) the new motor vehicle was being transported on a railroad car or semitrailer; and

(B) the railroad car or semitrailer was involved in an accident that required the unloading of the new motor vehicle to preserve or prevent further damage to it.

(4) An implement of agriculture designed to be operated primarily in a farm field or on farm premises.

(5) Off-road vehicles.

SECTION 162. IC 9-19-6-11, AS AMENDED BY P.L.148-2005, SECTION 1, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.210-2005, SECTION 29, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 11. *(a) This section does not apply to:*

(1) an implement of husbandry; or

(2) a farm tractor;

manufactured after June 30, 2006.

~~*(a)*~~ *(b)* A farm tractor and a self-propelled farm equipment unit or an implement of ~~*husbandry*~~ *agriculture designed to be operated primarily in a farm field or on farm premises,* ~~*when*~~ **if** *operated on a highway and* not equipped with an electric lighting system, must at all times required by IC 9-21-7-2 be equipped with the following:

(1) At least one (1) lamp displaying a white light visible from a distance of not less than five hundred (500) feet to the front of the vehicle.

(2) At least one (1) lamp displaying a red light visible from a distance of not less than five hundred (500) feet to the rear of the vehicle.

(3) Two (2) red reflectors visible from a distance of one hundred (100) feet to six hundred (600) feet to the rear when illuminated by the upper beams of head lamps.

The lights required by this subsection must be positioned so that one (1) lamp showing to the front and one (1) lamp or reflector showing to

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the rear will indicate the furthest projection of the tractor, unit, or implement on the side of the road used in passing the vehicle.

~~(b)~~ *(c)* A combination of farm tractor and towed unit of farm equipment or implement of ~~husbandry~~ *agriculture designed to be operated primarily in a farm field or on farm premises,* ~~when~~ **if** *operated on a highway and* not equipped with an electric lighting system, must at all times required by IC 9-21-7-2 be equipped with two (2) red reflectors that meet the following requirements:

(1) Are visible from a distance of one hundred (100) feet to six hundred (600) feet to the rear when illuminated by the upper beams of head lamps.

(2) Are mounted in a manner so as to indicate as nearly as practicable the extreme left and right rear projections of the towed unit or implement on the highway.

~~(c)~~ *(d)* A farm tractor and a self-propelled unit of farm equipment or an implement of ~~husbandry~~ *agriculture designed to be operated primarily in a farm field or on farm premises,* ~~when~~ **if** *operated on a highway and* equipped with an electric lighting system, must at all times required by IC 9-21-7-2 be equipped with the following:

(1) Two (2) single-beam or multiple-beam head lamps meeting the requirements of section 20 or 21 of this chapter or IC 9-21-7-9.

(2) Two (2) red lamps visible from a distance of not less than five hundred (500) feet to the rear, or in the alternative one (1) red lamp visible from a distance of not less than five hundred (500) feet to the rear and two (2) red reflectors visible from a distance of one hundred (100) feet to six hundred (600) feet to the rear when illuminated by the upper beams of head lamps.

The red lamps or reflectors must be mounted in the rear of the farm tractor or self-propelled implement of ~~husbandry~~ *agriculture* so as to indicate as nearly as practicable the extreme left and right projections of the vehicle on the highways.

~~(d)~~ *(e)* A combination of farm tractor and towed farm equipment or towed implement of ~~husbandry~~ *agriculture designed to be operated primarily in a farm field or on farm premises,* ~~when~~ **if** *operated on a highway and* equipped with an electric lighting system, must at all times required by IC 9-21-7-2 be equipped as follows:

(1) The farm tractor element of each combination must be equipped with two (2) single-beam or multiple-beam head lamps meeting the requirements of section 20 or 21 of this chapter or IC 9-21-7-9.

(2) The towed unit of farm equipment or implement of ~~husbandry~~

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agriculture element of each combination must be equipped with the following:

(A) Two (2) red lamps visible from a distance of not less than five hundred (500) feet to the rear, or as an alternative one (1) red lamp visible from a distance of not less than five hundred (500) feet to the rear.

(B) Two (2) red reflectors visible from a distance of one hundred (100) feet to six hundred (600) feet to the rear when illuminated by the upper beams of head lamps.

The red lamps or reflectors must be located so as to indicate as nearly as practicable the extreme left and right rear projections of the towed unit or implement on the highway.

(3) A combination of farm tractor and towed farm equipment or towed implement of ~~husbandry~~ *agriculture* equipped with an electric lighting system must be equipped with the following:

(A) A lamp displaying a white or an amber light, or any shade of color between white and amber visible from a distance of not less than five hundred (500) feet to the front.

(B) A lamp displaying a red light visible from a distance of not less than five hundred (500) feet to the rear.

The lamps must be installed or capable of being positioned so as to indicate to the front and rear the furthest projection of that combination on the side of the road used by other vehicles in passing that combination.

~~(e)~~ *(f)* A farm tractor, a self-propelled farm equipment unit, or an implement of ~~husbandry~~ *agriculture* must not display blinding field or flood lights when operated on a highway.

~~(f)~~ *(g)* All rear lighting requirements may be satisfied by having a vehicle with flashing lights immediately trail farm equipment in accordance with IC 9-21-7-11.

SECTION 163. IC 9-19-14.5-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. A privately owned vehicle belonging to a certified paramedic, certified emergency medical technician-intermediate, certified emergency medical technician-basic advanced, certified emergency medical technician, certified emergency medical service driver, or certified emergency medical service first responder while traveling in the line of duty in connection with emergency medical services activities may display flashing or revolving green lights, subject to the following restrictions and conditions:

(1) The lights may not have a light source less than fifty (50) candlepower.

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(2) All lights shall be placed on the top of the vehicle.

(3) Not more than two (2) green lights may be displayed on a vehicle and each light must be of the flashing or revolving type and visible at three hundred sixty (360) degrees.

(4) The lights must consist of a lamp with a green lens and not of an uncolored lens with a green bulb. However, the revolving lights may contain multiple bulbs.

(5) The green lights may not be a part of the regular head lamps displayed on the vehicle.

(6) For a person to be authorized under this chapter to display a flashing or revolving green light on the person's vehicle, the person must first secure a written permit from the **executive** director of the ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** to use the light. The permit must be carried by the person when the light is displayed.

SECTION 164. IC 9-21-5-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.151-2005, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. Except when a special hazard exists that requires lower speed for compliance with section 1 of this chapter, the slower speed limit specified in this section or established as authorized by section 3 of this chapter is the maximum lawful speed. A person may not drive a vehicle on a highway at a speed in excess of the following maximum limits:

(1) Thirty (30) miles per hour in an urban district.

(2) Fifty-five (55) miles per hour, except as provided in subdivisions (1), (3), (4), (5), (6), and (7).

(3) Seventy (70) miles per hour on a highway on the national system of interstate and defense highways located outside of an urbanized area (as defined in 23 U.S.C. 101) with a population of at least fifty thousand (50,000), except as provided in subdivision (4).

(4) Sixty-five (65) miles per hour for a vehicle (other than a bus) having a declared gross weight greater than twenty-six thousand (26,000) pounds on a highway on the national system of interstate and defense highways located outside an urbanized area (as defined in 23 U.S.C. 101) with a population of at least fifty thousand (50,000).

(5) Sixty-five (65) miles per hour on:

(A) U.S. 20 from the intersection of U.S. 20 and County Road 17 in Elkhart County to the intersection of U.S. 20 and U.S. 31 in St. Joseph County;

(B) U.S. 31 from the intersection of U.S. 31 and U.S. 20 in St.

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Joseph County to the boundary line between Indiana and Michigan; and

(C) a highway classified by the Indiana department of transportation as an INDOT Freeway.

(6) On a highway that is the responsibility of the Indiana ~~transportation~~ finance authority established by ~~IC 8-9.5-8-2.~~ **IC 4-4-11:**

(A) seventy (70) miles per hour for:

(i) a motor vehicle having a declared gross weight of not more than twenty-six thousand (26,000) pounds; or

(ii) a bus; or

(B) sixty-five (65) miles per hour for a motor vehicle having a declared gross weight greater than twenty-six thousand (26,000) pounds.

(7) Sixty (60) miles per hour on a highway that:

(A) is not designated as a part of the national system of interstate and defense highways;

(B) has four (4) or more lanes;

(C) is divided into two (2) or more roadways by:

(i) an intervening space that is unimproved and not intended for vehicular travel;

(ii) a physical barrier; or

(iii) a dividing section constructed to impede vehicular traffic; and

(D) is located outside an urbanized area (as defined in 23 U.S.C. 101) with a population of at least fifty thousand (50,000).

(8) Fifteen (15) miles per hour in an alley.

SECTION 165. IC 9-21-5-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.151-2005, SECTION 3, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.235-2005, SECTION 124, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. The maximum speed limits set forth in section 2 of this chapter may be altered as follows:

(1) By local jurisdictions under section 6 of this chapter.

(2) By the Indiana department of transportation under section 12 of this chapter.

~~*(3) By the transportation Indiana finance authority under IC 8-15-2-17.2.*~~

~~*(4)*~~ *(3)* For the purposes of speed limits on a highway on the national system of interstate and defense highways, by order of the commissioner of the Indiana department of transportation to conform to any federal regulation concerning state speed limit

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laws.

~~(5)~~ *(4)* In worksites, by all jurisdictions under section 11 of this chapter.

SECTION 166. IC 9-24-2-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 106, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.242-2005, SECTION 1, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) A driver's license or a learner's permit may not be issued to an individual less than eighteen (18) years of age who meets any of the following conditions:

(1) Is a habitual truant under IC 20-33-2-11.

(2) Is under at least a second suspension from school for the school year under IC 20-33-8-14 or IC 20-33-8-15.

(3) Is under an expulsion from school under IC 20-33-8-14, IC 20-33-8-15, or IC 20-33-8-16.

~~*(4) Has withdrawn from school, for a reason other than financial hardship and the withdrawal was reported under IC 20-8.1-3-24(a) IC 20-33-2-21(a) before graduating.*~~

(4) Is considered a dropout under IC 20-33-2-28.5.

(b) At least five (5) days before holding an exit interview under ~~*IC 20-33-2-6(a)(3),*~~ *IC 20-33-2-28.5,* the school corporation shall give notice by certified mail or personal delivery to the student, the student's parent, or the student's guardian ~~*of the following:*~~

~~*(1) That the exit interview will include a hearing to determine if the reason for the student's withdrawal is financial hardship.*~~

~~*(2) If the principal determines that the reason for the student's withdrawal is not financial hardship:*~~

~~*(A) the student and the student's parent or guardian will receive a copy of the determination, and*~~

~~*(B) the student's name will be submitted to the bureau for the bureau's use in denying or invalidating a driver's license or learner's permit under this section.*~~

that the student's failure to attend an exit interview under IC 20-33-2-28.5 or return to school if the student does not meet the requirements to withdraw from school under IC 20-33-2-28.5 will result in the revocation or denial of the student's:

(1) driver's license or learner's permit; and

(2) employment certificate.

SECTION 167. IC 9-27-4-5.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.210-2005, SECTION 55, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.246-2005, SECTION 88, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5.5. (a) To ~~*receive*~~ *be eligible for* an instructor's license under subsection (d), an individual must

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complete at least sixty (60) semester hours at a college. The individual must:

(1) complete at least ~~*twelve (12)*~~ *nine (9)* semester hours in driver education courses; ~~*of which three (3) semester hours must consist of supervised student teaching experience under the direction of an individual who has:*~~

~~*(1) a driver and traffic safety education endorsement issued by the professional standards board department of education established by IC 20-28-2-1; IC 20-19-3-1;*~~ and

(2) *be* at least ~~*five (5)*~~ *twenty-one (21)* years of ~~*teaching experience in driver education:*~~ *age upon completion of the driver education courses required by subdivision (1).*

(b) The ~~*three (3) semester hours of supervised student teaching experience required under subsection (a) may only be undertaken by an individual who will be at least twenty-one (21) years of age upon completion and may only be performed at a high school, a commercial driving school, or the college providing the courses for the individual to become an instructor. The remaining nine (9)*~~ *number of semester* hours of driver education courses required under subsection ~~*(a)*~~ *(a)(1)* must include a combination of theoretical and behind-the-wheel instruction that is consistent with nationally accepted standards in traffic safety.

(c) The driver education semester hours ~~*required*~~ *completed* under subsection ~~*(a)*~~ *(a)(1)* do not satisfy the requirements of subsection (d) or (e) unless the driver education curriculum is approved by the commission for higher education.

(d) The bureau shall issue an instructor's license to an individual who satisfies all of the following:

(1) The individual meets the requirements of subsection (a).

(2) The individual does not have more than the maximum number of points for violating traffic laws specified by the bureau by rules adopted under IC 4-22-2.

(3) The individual has a good moral character, physical condition, knowledge of the rules of the road, and work history. The bureau shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 that specify the requirements, including requirements about criminal convictions, necessary to satisfy the conditions of this subdivision.

(e) The bureau shall issue an instructor's license to an individual who:

(1) during 1995, held an instructor's license;

(2) meets the requirements of subsection (d)(2) and (d)(3); and

(3) ~~*completes*~~ *completed* the ~~*twelve (12)*~~ *number of* semester hours

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of driver education courses *that were then* required under subsection ~~(a)~~ *(a)(1)* not later than July 1, 1999.

However, an individual who has acted as an instructor for at least two (2) years before January 1, 1996, is not required to complete the requirements of subdivision (3) in order to receive an instructor's license under this subsection.

(f) The bureau shall issue an instructor's license to an individual who:

(1) holds a driver and traffic safety education endorsement issued by the ~~*professional standards board*~~ *department of education* established ~~*under IC 20-28-2-1,*~~ *by IC 20-19-3-1;* and

(2) meets the requirements of subsection (d)(2) and (d)(3).

(g) Only an individual who holds an instructor's license issued by the bureau under subsection (d), (e), or (f) may act as an instructor.

SECTION 168. IC 9-29-3-14, AS AMENDED BY P.L.109-2005, SECTION 16, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.210-2005, SECTION 60, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 14. (a) *Except as provided in IC 9-24-16-10,* the service charge for an identification card issued under IC 9-24 is fifty cents ($0.50) and one-half (1/2) of each fee collected as set forth in IC 9-29-9-15. *This subsection expires December 31, 2005.*

(b) Fifty cents ($0.50) of each service charge collected under ~~*subsection (a)*~~ *this section* shall be deposited in the state motor vehicle technology fund established by IC 9-29-16-1.

(c) After December 31, 2005, the service charge for an identification card issued under IC 9-24 is seventy-five cents ($0.75) and one-half (1/2) of each fee collected as set forth in IC 9-29-9-15.

SECTION 169. IC 9-29-9-15, AS AMENDED BY P.L.109-2005, SECTION 17, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.210-2005, SECTION 71, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 15. *(a) Except as provided in IC 9-24-16-10,* the fees for the issuance, renewal, or duplication of identification cards under IC 9-24-16 are as follows:

(1) For a person at least sixty-five (65) years of age or a person with a physical disability and not entitled to obtain a ~~*driving*~~ *driver's* license, two dollars ($2).

(2) For any other eligible person, four dollars ($4).

This subsection expires December 31, 2005.

(b) After December 31, 2005, the fees for the issuance, the renewal, or a duplicate of an identification card under IC 9-24-16 are as follows:

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(1) For an individual at least sixty-five (65) years of age or an individual with a physical disability and not entitled to obtain a driver's license, three dollars and fifty cents ($3.50).

(2) For any other individual, six dollars ($6).

SECTION 170. IC 9-30-11-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. (a) This section does not apply in a proceeding concerning a standing or parking citation issued by a police authority operating under the jurisdiction of an airport authority.

(b) It is a defense in a proceeding to enforce an ordinance or a statute defining an infraction concerning the standing or parking of vehicles if the owner:

(1) proves that at the time of the alleged violation the owner was engaged in the business of renting or leasing vehicles under written agreements;

(2) proves that at the time of the alleged violation the vehicle was in the care, custody, or control of a person (other than the owner or an employee of the owner) under a written agreement for the rental or lease of the vehicle for a period of not more than sixty (60) days; and

(3) provides to the ~~traffice~~ **traffic** violations bureau or court that has jurisdiction the name and address of the person who was renting or leasing the vehicle at the time of the alleged violation.

(c) The owner of a vehicle may establish proof under subsection (b)(2) by submitting, within thirty (30) days after the owner receives notice by mail of:

(1) the parking ticket; or

(2) the infraction violation;

a copy of the rental or lease agreement to the traffic violations bureau or court that has jurisdiction.

SECTION 171. IC 10-13-3-21, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 116, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 21. As used in this chapter, "special education cooperative" has the meaning set forth in ~~IC 20-35-5-1(a)(7).~~ **IC 20-35-5-1(7).**

SECTION 172. IC 10-13-3-27, AS AMENDED BY P.L.234-2005 SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 27. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), on request, **a** law enforcement ~~agencies~~ **agency** shall release ~~or allow inspection of~~ a limited criminal history to **or allow inspection of a limited criminal history by** noncriminal justice organizations or individuals only if the subject of the request:

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(1) has applied for employment with a noncriminal justice organization or individual;
(2) has applied for a license and criminal history data ~~as~~ **is** required by law to be provided in connection with the license;
(3) is a candidate for public office or a public official;
(4) is in the process of being apprehended by a law enforcement agency;
(5) is placed under arrest for the alleged commission of a crime;
(6) has charged that the subject's rights have been abused repeatedly by criminal justice agencies;
(7) is the subject of a judicial decision or determination with respect to the setting of bond, plea bargaining, sentencing, or probation;
(8) has volunteered services that involve contact with, care of, or supervision over a child who is being placed, matched, or monitored by a social services agency or a nonprofit corporation;
(9) is currently residing in a location designated by the department of child services (established by IC 31-33-1.5-2) or by a juvenile court as the out-of-home placement for a child at the time the child will reside in the location;
(10) has volunteered services at a public school (as defined in IC 20-18-2-15) or nonpublic school (as defined in IC 20-18-2-12) that involve contact with, care of, or supervision over a student enrolled in the school;
(11) is being investigated for welfare fraud by an investigator of the division of family resources or a county office of family and children;
(12) is being sought by the parent locator service of the child support bureau of the division of family and children;
(13) is or was required to register as a sex and violent offender under IC 5-2-12; or
(14) has been convicted of any of the following:
(A) Rape (IC 35-42-4-1), if the victim is less than eighteen (18) years of age.
(B) Criminal deviate conduct (IC 35-42-4-2), if the victim is less than eighteen (18) years of age.
(C) Child molesting (IC 35-42-4-3).
(D) Child exploitation (IC 35-42-4-4(b)).
(E) Possession of child pornography (IC 35-42-4-4(c)).
(F) Vicarious sexual gratification (IC 35-42-4-5).
(G) Child solicitation (IC 35-42-4-6).
(H) Child seduction (IC 35-42-4-7).

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(I) Sexual misconduct with a minor as a felony (IC 35-42-4-9).
(J) Incest (IC 35-46-1-3), if the victim is less than eighteen (18) years of age.

However, limited criminal history information obtained from the National Crime Information Center may not be released under this section except to the extent permitted by the Attorney General of the United States.

(b) A law enforcement agency shall allow inspection of a limited criminal history by and release a limited criminal history to the following noncriminal justice organizations:

(1) Federally chartered or insured banking institutions.
(2) Officials of state and local government for any of the following purposes:
(A) Employment with a state or local governmental entity.
(B) Licensing.
(3) Segments of the securities industry identified under 15 U.S.C. 78q(f)(2).

(c) Any person who uses limited criminal history for any purpose not specified under this section commits a Class A misdemeanor.

SECTION 173. IC 10-13-3-36, AS AMENDED BY P.L.177-2005, SECTION 30, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 36. (a) The department may not charge a fee for responding to a request for the release of a limited criminal history record if the request is made by a nonprofit organization:

(1) that has been in existence for at least ten (10) years; and
(2) that:
(A) has a primary purpose of providing an individual relationship for a child with an adult volunteer if the request is made as part of a background investigation of a prospective adult volunteer for the organization;
(B) is a home health agency licensed under IC 16-27-1;
(C) is a community mental retardation and other developmental disabilities center (as defined in IC 12-7-2-39);
(D) is a supervised group living facility licensed under IC 12-28-5;
(E) is an area agency on aging designated under IC 12-10-1;
(F) is a community action agency (as defined in IC 12-14-23-2);
(G) is the owner or operator of a hospice program licensed under IC 16-25-3; or
(H) is a community mental health center (as defined in IC 12-7-2-38).

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(b) Except as provided in subsection (d), the department may not charge a fee for responding to a request for the release of a limited criminal history record made by the division of family and children or a county office of family and children if the request is made as part of a background investigation of an applicant for a license under IC 12-17.2 or IC 12-17.4.

(c) The department may not charge a fee for responding to a request for the release of a limited criminal history if the request is made by a school corporation, special education cooperative, or nonpublic school (as defined in IC 20-18-2-12) as part of a background investigation of an employee or adult volunteer for the school corporation, special education cooperative, or nonpublic school.

(d) As used in this subsection, "state agency" means an authority, a board, a branch, a commission, a committee, a department, a division, or another instrumentality of state government, including the executive and judicial branches of state government, the principal secretary of the senate, the principal clerk of the house of representatives, the executive director of the legislative services agency, a state elected official's office, or a body corporate and politic, but does not include a state educational institution (as defined in IC 20-12-0.5-1). The department may not charge a fee for responding to a request for the release of a limited criminal history if the request is made:

(1) by a state agency; and

(2) through the computer gateway that is administered by the office of technology established by IC 4-13.1-2-1.

(e) The department may not charge a fee for responding to a request for the release of a limited criminal history record made by the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** established by IC 25-1-5-3 if the request is:

(1) made through the computer gateway that is administered by the office of technology; and

(2) part of a background investigation of a practitioner or an individual who has applied for a license issued by a board (as defined in IC 25-1-9-1).

SECTION 174. IC 10-13-3-38.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 119, AS AMENDED BY P.L.120-2005, SECTION 1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.212-2005, SECTION 1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.218-2005, SECTION 4, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.246-2005, SECTION 90, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 38.5. (a) Under federal P.L.92-544 (86 Stat. 1115), the department may use an individual's fingerprints submitted by the individual for the following

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purposes:

(1) Determining the individual's suitability for employment with the state, or as an employee of a contractor of the state, in a position:

(A) that has a job description that includes contact with, care of, or supervision over a person less than eighteen (18) years of age;

(B) that has a job description that includes contact with, care of, or supervision over an endangered adult (as defined in IC 12-10-3-2), except the individual is not required to meet the standard for harmed or threatened with harm set forth in IC 12-10-3-2(a)(3);

(C) at a state institution managed by the office of the secretary of family and social services or state department of health;

(D) at the Indiana School for the Deaf established by ~~*IC 20-16-2-1,*~~ *IC 20-22-2-1;*

(E) at the Indiana School for the Blind *and Visually Impaired* established by ~~*IC 20-15-2-1,*~~ *IC 20-21-2-1;*

(F) at a juvenile detention facility;

(G) with the *Indiana* gaming commission under IC 4-33-3-16;

(H) with the department of financial institutions under IC 28-11-2-3; or

(I) that has a job description that includes access to or supervision over state financial or personnel data, including state warrants, banking codes, or payroll information pertaining to state employees.

(2) Identification in a request related to an application for a teacher's license submitted to the ~~*professional standards board*~~ *department of education* established ~~*under IC 20-1-1.4 by IC 20-28-2-1.*~~ *by IC 20-19-3-1.*

(3) Use by the state boxing commission established under IC 25-9-1-1 for licensure of a promoter (as defined in IC 25-9-1-0.7) under IC 25-9-1.

~~*(3)*~~ **(4)** *Use by the Indiana board of pharmacy in determining the individual's suitability for a position or employment with a wholesale drug distributor, as specified in IC 25-26-14-16(b), IC 25-26-14-16.5(b), IC 25-26-14-17.8(c), and IC 25-26-14-20.*

An applicant shall submit the fingerprints in an appropriate format or on forms provided for the employment or license application. The department shall charge each applicant the fee established under section 28 of this chapter and by federal authorities to defray the costs associated with a search for and classification of the applicant's

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fingerprints. The department may forward fingerprints submitted by an applicant to the Federal Bureau of Investigation or any other agency for processing. The state personnel department or the agency to which the applicant is applying for employment or a license may receive the results of all fingerprint investigations.

(b) An applicant who is an employee of the state may not be charged under subsection (a).

(c) Subsection (a)(1) does not apply to an employee of a contractor of the state if the contract involves the construction or repair of a capital project or other public works project of the state.

SECTION 175. IC 10-14-2-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.22-2005, SECTION 6, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.227-2005, SECTION 9, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) For purposes of this section, "member of the military or public safety officer" means an individual who is *any of the following:*

(1) A member of a fire department (as defined in IC 36-8-1-8).
(2) An emergency medical service provider (as defined in IC 16-41-10-1).
(3) A member of a police department (as defined in IC 36-8-1-9).
(4) A correctional officer (as defined in IC 5-10-10-1.5).
(5) A state police officer.
(6) A county police officer.
(7) A police reserve officer.
(8) A county sheriff.
(9) A deputy sheriff.
(10) An excise police officer.
(11) A conservation enforcement officer.
(12) A town marshal.
(13) A deputy town marshal.
(14) A university ~~policy~~ *police* officer appointed under IC 20-12-3.5.
(15) A probation officer.
(16) A paramedic.
(17) A volunteer firefighter (as defined in IC 36-8-12-2).
(18) An emergency medical technician or a paramedic working in a volunteer capacity.
(19) A member of the armed forces of the United States.
(20) A member of the Indiana Air National Guard.
(21) A member of the Indiana Army National Guard. ~~or~~
(22) A member of a state or local emergency management agency.

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~~(22)~~ **(23)** *A member of a consolidated law enforcement department established under IC 36-3-1-5.1.*

(b) For purposes of this section, "dies in the line of duty" refers to a death that occurs as a direct result of personal injury or illness resulting from any action that a member of the military or public safety officer, in the member of the military's or public safety officer's official capacity, is obligated or authorized by rule, regulation, condition of employment or services, or law to perform in the course of performing the member of the military's or public safety officer's duty.

(c) If a member of the military or public safety officer dies in the line of duty, a state flag shall be presented to:

(1) the surviving spouse;

(2) the surviving children if there is no surviving spouse; or

(3) the surviving parent or parents if there is no surviving spouse and there are no surviving children.

(d) The ~~*state emergency management*~~ agency shall administer this section. ~~*and*~~

(e) The director may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement this section.

SECTION 176. IC 10-14-3-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. (a) Because of the existing and increasing possibility of disasters or emergencies of unprecedented size and destructiveness that may result from manmade or natural causes, to ensure that Indiana will be adequately prepared to deal with disasters or emergencies or to prevent or mitigate those disasters where possible, generally to provide for the common defense, to protect the public peace, health, and safety, and to preserve the lives and property of the people of the state, it is found and declared to be necessary:

(1) to provide for emergency management under ~~a state emergency management agency,~~ **the department of homeland security;**

(2) to create local emergency management departments and to authorize and direct disaster and emergency management functions in the political subdivisions of the state;

(3) to confer upon the governor and upon the executive heads or governing bodies of the political subdivisions of the state the emergency powers provided in this chapter;

(4) to provide for the rendering of mutual aid among the political subdivisions of the state, with other states, and with the federal government to carry out emergency, disaster, or emergency management functions; and

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(5) to authorize the establishment of organizations and the implementation of steps that are necessary and appropriate to carry out this chapter.

(b) It is also the purpose of this chapter and the policy of the state to:

(1) coordinate all emergency management functions of this state to the maximum extent with the comparable functions of:

(A) the federal government, including the federal government's various departments and agencies;

(B) other states and localities; and

(C) private agencies of every type;

so that the most effective preparation and use may be made of the nation's manpower, resources, and facilities for dealing with any disaster that may occur;

(2) prepare for prompt and efficient rescue, care, and treatment of persons victimized or threatened by disaster;

(3) provide a setting conducive to the rapid and orderly start of restoration and rehabilitation of persons and property affected by disasters;

(4) clarify and strengthen the roles of the:

(A) governor;

(B) state agencies; and

(C) local governments;

in the prevention of, preparation for, response to, and recovery from disasters;

(5) authorize and provide cooperation between departments of government in:

(A) disaster prevention;

(B) preparedness;

(C) response; and

(D) recovery;

(6) authorize and provide coordination of activities relating to:

(A) disaster prevention;

(B) preparedness;

(C) response; and

(D) recovery;

by agencies and officers of Indiana, and similar state-local, interstate, federal-state, and foreign activities in which the state and its political subdivisions may participate; and

(7) provide a disaster management system embodying all aspects of pre-disaster preparedness, disaster operations, and post-disaster response.

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SECTION 177. IC 10-14-3-17 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 17. (a) A political subdivision is:

(1) within the jurisdiction of; and

(2) served by;

a department of emergency management or by an interjurisdictional agency responsible for disaster preparedness and coordination of response.

(b) A county shall:

(1) maintain a county emergency management advisory council and a county emergency management organization; or

(2) participate in an interjurisdictional disaster agency that, except as otherwise provided under this chapter, may have jurisdiction over and serve the entire county.

(c) The county emergency management advisory council consists of the following individuals or their designees:

(1) The president of the county executive or, if the county executive does not have a president, a member of the county executive appointed from the membership of the county executive.

(2) The president of the county fiscal body.

(3) The mayor of each city located in the county.

(4) An individual representing the legislative bodies of all towns located in the county.

(5) Representatives of private and public agencies or organizations that can assist emergency management considered appropriate by the county emergency management advisory council.

(6) One (1) commander of a local civil air patrol unit in the county or the commander's designee.

(d) The county emergency management advisory council shall do the following:

(1) Exercise general supervision and control over the emergency management and disaster program of the county.

(2) Select or cause to be selected, with the approval of the county executive, a county emergency management and disaster director who:

(A) has direct responsibility for the organization, administration, and operation of the emergency management program in the county; and

(B) is responsible to the chairman of the county emergency management advisory council.

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(e) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter or other law to the contrary, the governor may require a political subdivision to establish and maintain a disaster agency jointly with one (1) or more contiguous political subdivisions with the concurrence of the affected political ~~divisions~~ **subdivisions** if the governor finds that the establishment and maintenance of an agency or participation in one (1) is necessary by circumstances or conditions that make it unusually difficult to provide:

(1) disaster prevention;
(2) preparedness;
(3) response; or
(4) recovery services;

under this chapter.

(f) A political subdivision that does not have a disaster agency and has not made arrangements to secure or participate in the services of an agency shall have an emergency management director designated to facilitate the cooperation and protection of that political subdivision in the work of:

(1) disaster prevention;
(2) preparedness;
(3) response; and
(4) recovery.

(g) The county emergency management and disaster director and personnel of the department may be provided with appropriate:

(1) office space;
(2) furniture;
(3) vehicles;
(4) communications;
(5) equipment;
(6) supplies;
(7) stationery; and
(8) printing;

in the same manner as provided for personnel of other county agencies.

(h) Each local or interjurisdictional agency shall:

(1) prepare; and
(2) keep current;

a local or interjurisdictional disaster emergency plan for its area.

(i) The local or interjurisdictional disaster agency shall prepare and distribute to all appropriate officials a clear and complete written statement of:

(1) the emergency responsibilities of all local agencies and officials; and
(2) the disaster chain of command.

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(j) Each political subdivision may:

(1) appropriate and expend funds, make contracts, obtain and distribute equipment, materials, and supplies for emergency management and disaster purposes, provide for the health and safety of persons and property, including emergency assistance to the victims of a disaster resulting from enemy attack, provide for a comprehensive insurance program for its emergency management volunteers, and direct and coordinate the development of an emergency management program and emergency operations plan in accordance with the policies and plans set by the federal emergency management agency and the state emergency management agency;

(2) appoint, employ, remove, or provide, with or without compensation:

(A) rescue teams;

(B) auxiliary fire and police personnel; and

(C) other emergency management and disaster workers;

(3) establish:

(A) a primary; and

(B) one (1) or more secondary;

control centers to serve as command posts during an emergency;

(4) subject to the order of the governor or the chief executive of the political subdivision, assign and make available for duty the employees, property, or equipment of the political subdivision relating to:

(A) firefighting;

(B) engineering;

(C) rescue;

(D) health, medical, and related services;

(E) police;

(F) transportation;

(G) construction; and

(H) similar items or services;

for emergency management and disaster purposes within or outside the physical limits of the political subdivision; and

(5) in the event of a national security emergency or disaster emergency as provided in section 12 of this chapter, waive procedures and formalities otherwise required by law pertaining to:

(A) the performance of public work;

(B) the entering into of contracts;

(C) the incurring of obligations;

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(D) the employment of permanent and temporary workers;
(E) the use of volunteer workers;
(F) the rental of equipment;
(G) the purchase and distribution of supplies, materials, and facilities; and
(H) the appropriation and expenditure of public funds.

SECTION 178. IC 10-14-8-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) The nuclear response fund is established to provide appropriate education, training, and equipment to local emergency responders:

(1) in counties that will be affected by the transportation of high level radioactive waste under this chapter; and
(2) to:
(A) prevent;
(B) prepare for; and
(C) respond to;
acts of terrorism.

(b) Sources of money for the fund consist of transportation fees deposited under section 3(b) of this chapter.

(c) The ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** shall administer the fund. Money in the fund is annually appropriated to the state emergency response commission to be used for purposes described in subsection (a).

(d) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from money in the fund.

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

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

SECTION 179. IC 10-15-2-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. The foundation may do the following:

(1) Adopt bylaws for the regulation of the foundation's affairs and the conduct of the foundation's business.
(2) Adopt an official seal, which may not be the seal of the state.
(3) Maintain a principal office and other offices the foundation designates.
(4) Sue and be sued in the name and style of "Indiana Emergency Management, Fire and Building Services, and Public Safety Training Foundation", with service of process being made to the chairperson of the foundation by leaving a copy at the principal

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office of the foundation or at the residence of the chairperson if the foundation has no principal office.

(5) Exercise the powers or perform the following duties of the foundation:

(A) Acquire by any means a right or an interest in or upon personal property of any kind or nature. The foundation shall hold the legal title to property acquired in the name of the foundation.

(B) Dispose of a right or an interest in personal property.

(6) Make and enter into all contracts, undertakings, and agreements necessary or incidental to the performance of the duties and the execution of the powers of the foundation under this chapter.

(7) Assist the ~~agency,~~ department ~~and institute~~ to develop projects.

(8) Receive and accept from any person grants for or in aid of the acquisition, construction, improvement, or development of any part of the projects of the foundation and receive and accept aid or contributions from any source of money, personal property, labor, or other things of value to be held, used, applied, or disposed of only for the purposes consistent with the purposes of this chapter for which the grants and contributions may be made.

(9) Hold, use, administer, and expend money that may be acquired by the foundation.

(10) Do all acts and things necessary or proper to carry out the powers expressly granted in this chapter.

SECTION 180. IC 10-15-3-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The money in the emergency management fund shall be used to pay for projects of the ~~agency.~~ **department.**

(b) The money in the fire services fund shall be used to pay for projects of the ~~office of the state fire marshal.~~ **division of fire and building safety.**

(c) The money in the building services fund shall be used to pay for projects of the ~~office of the state building commissioner.~~ **division of fire and building safety.**

(d) The money in the emergency medical services fund shall be used to pay for emergency medical services projects of the ~~agency.~~ **department.**

(e) The money in the stewardship fund shall be used to pay for the promotion of safety first license plates under IC 9-18-45 and for the costs of administering this article.

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SECTION 181. IC 10-19-7-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.22-2005, SECTION 17, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. (a) The state fire marshal appointed under IC 22-14-2-2 shall do the following:

(1) Serve as ~~the~~ **a** deputy executive director ~~of~~ **to manage** the division.

(2) Administer the division.

(3) Provide staff to support the fire prevention and building safety commission established by IC 22-12-2-1.

(b) The state fire marshal may not exercise any powers or perform any duties specifically assigned to either of the following:

(1) The fire prevention and building safety commission.

(2) The building law compliance officer.

(c) The state fire marshal may delegate the state fire marshal's authority to the appropriate division staff.

SECTION 182. IC 10-19-8-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.22-2005, SECTION 17, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The council consists of the following members:

(1) The lieutenant governor.

(2) The executive director.

(3) The superintendent of the state police department.

(4) The adjutant general.

(5) The state health commissioner.

(6) The commissioner of the department of environmental management.

(7) The ~~assistant commissioner of agriculture.~~ **director of the department of agriculture.**

(8) The chairman of the Indiana utility regulatory commission.

(9) The commissioner of the Indiana department of transportation.

(10) The executive director of the Indiana criminal justice institute.

(11) The commissioner of the bureau of motor vehicles.

(12) A local law enforcement officer or a member of the law enforcement training academy appointed by the governor.

(13) The speaker of the house of representatives or the speaker's designee.

(14) The president pro tempore of the senate or the president pro tempore's designee.

(15) The chief justice of the supreme court.

(b) The members of the council under subsection (a)(13), (a)(14), and (a)(15) are nonvoting members.

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(c) Representatives of the United States Department of Justice may serve as members of the council as the council and the Department of Justice may determine. Any representatives of the Department of Justice serve as nonvoting members of the council.

SECTION 183. IC 11-12-4-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. After conducting the review required by section 6 of this chapter, the department shall send a copy of the department's report to the ~~state building commissioner~~ **division of fire and building safety** and make a public report to the board of county commissioners. In the report, the department shall evaluate whether the jail, if constructed according to the plans and specifications submitted to the department, meets the minimum standards adopted by the department under section 1 of this chapter.

SECTION 184. IC 11-12-4-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. (a) This section does not apply to the approval of the plans and specifications for a county jail under IC 22-15-3 if the department has failed to submit its report under section 7 of this chapter to the ~~state building commissioner~~ **division of fire and building safety** within ten (10) regular working days of the date that the department received the plans and specifications from the board of county commissioners.

(b) The ~~state building commissioner~~ **division of fire and building safety** may not issue a design release for a county jail under IC 22-15-3 until the ~~state building commissioner~~ **division of fire and building safety** receives the report of the department for that county jail under section 7 of this chapter.

SECTION 185. IC 12-7-2-192.3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.73-2005, SECTION 8, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.180-2005, SECTION 3, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 192.3. "Total number of households containing ~~*poor relief*~~ *township assistance* recipients", for purposes of IC 12-20-28-3, has the meaning set forth in ~~*IC 12-20-28-3(b).*~~ *IC 12-20-28-3(c).*

SECTION 186. IC 12-12-8-6, AS ADDED BY P.L.217-2005, SECTION 14, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) There is established a statewide independent living council. The council is not a part of a state agency.

(b) The council consists of at least twenty (20) members appointed by the governor, including the following:

(1) Each director of a center for independent living located in Indiana.

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(2) Nonvoting members from state agencies that provide services for individuals with disabilities.

(3) Other members, who may include the following:

(A) Representatives of centers for independent living.

(B) Parents and guardians of individuals with disabilities.

(C) Advocates for individuals with disabilities.

(D) Representatives from private business.

(E) ~~Representative~~ **Representatives** of organizations that provide services for individuals with disabilities.

(F) Other appropriate individuals.

(c) The members appointed under subsection (b) must:

(1) provide statewide representation;

(2) represent a broad range of individuals with disabilities from diverse backgrounds;

(3) be knowledgeable about centers for independent living and independent living services; and

(4) include a majority of members who:

(A) are individuals with significant disabilities; and

(B) are not employed by a state agency or a center for independent living.

SECTION 187. IC 12-13-12-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. The commission consists of nineteen (19) members appointed as follows:

(1) Two (2) members of the senate, who are not members of the same political party, appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate with the advice of the minority leader of the senate.

(2) Two (2) members of the house of representatives, who are not members of the same political party, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives with the advice of the minority leader of the house of representatives.

(3) The director of the division of family and children or the director's designee.

(4) The director of the division of mental health and addiction or the director's designee.

(5) The commissioner of the state department of health or the commissioner's designee.

(6) The superintendent of public instruction or the superintendent's designee.

(7) The commissioner of the department of correction or the commissioner's designee.

(8) The director of the civil rights commission or the director's designee.

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(9) The commissioner of the **Indiana** department of administration or the commissioner's designee.

(10) The ~~director of the department of commerce~~ **lieutenant governor** or the ~~director's~~ **lieutenant governor's** designee.

(11) A minority business person, appointed by the governor.

(12) Three (3) persons appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate who are not members of the general assembly. Not more than two (2) of the persons appointed under this subdivision may be members of the same political party.

(13) Three (3) persons appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives who are not members of the general assembly. Not more than two (2) of the persons appointed under this subdivision may be members of the same political party.

SECTION 188. IC 12-15-3-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. A computation under this chapter concerning an individual who purchases a qualified long term care insurance policy under ~~IC 12-15-39~~ **IC 12-15-39.6** must take into consideration the asset disregard established under ~~IC 12-15-39-10.~~ **IC 12-15-39.6-10.**

SECTION 189. IC 12-16-2.5-6.5, AS ADDED BY P.L.145-2005, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6.5. (a) Notwithstanding IC 12-16-4.5, IC 12-16-5.5, and IC 12-16-6.5, except for the functions provided for under IC 12-16-4.5-3, IC 12-16-4.5-4, IC 12-16-6.5-3, IC 12-16-6.5-4, **and** IC 12-16-6.5-7 and the payment of funds, the division may enter into a written agreement with a hospital licensed under IC 16-21 for the hospital's performance of one (1) or more of the functions of the division or a county office under IC 12-16-4.5, IC 12-16-5.5, and IC 12-16-6.5. Under an agreement between the division and a hospital:

(1) if the hospital is authorized to determine:

(A) if a person meets the income and resource requirements established under IC 12-16-3.5;

(B) if the person's medical condition satisfies one (1) or more of the medical conditions identified in IC 12-16-3.5-1(a)(1) through IC 12-16-3.5-1(a)(3) or IC 12-16-3.5-2(a)(1) through IC 12-16-3.5-2(a)(3); or

(C) if the health care items or services received by the person were necessitated by one (1) or more of the medical conditions listed in IC 12-16-3.5-1(a)(1) through IC 12-16-3.5-1(a)(3) or IC 12-16-3.5-2(a)(1) through IC 12-16-3.5-2(a)(3), or were a direct consequence of one (1) or more of the medical conditions listed in IC 12-16-3.5-1(a)(1) through

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IC 12-16-3.5-1(a)(3);
the determinations must be limited to persons receiving care at the hospital;
(2) the agreement must state whether the hospital is authorized to make determinations regarding physician services or transportation services provided to a person;
(3) the agreement must state the extent to which the functions performed by the hospital include the provision of the notices required under IC 12-16-5.5 and IC 12-16-6.5;
(4) the agreement may not limit the hearing and appeal process available to persons, physicians, transportation providers, or other hospitals under IC 12-16-6.5;
(5) the agreement must state how determinations made by the hospital will be communicated to the division for purposes of the attributions and calculations under IC 12-15-15-9, IC 12-15-15-9.5, IC 12-16-7.5, and IC 12-16-14; and
(6) the agreement must state how the accuracy of the hospital's determinations will be reviewed.

(b) A hospital, its employees, and its agents are immune from civil or criminal liability arising from their good faith implementation and administration of the agreement between the division and the hospital under this section.

SECTION 190. IC 12-16-7.5-2.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.145-2005, SECTION 24, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2.5. (a) Payable claims shall be segregated by state fiscal year.

(b) For purposes of this chapter, IC 12-15-15-9, IC 12-15-15-9.5, and IC 12-16-14, "payable claim" refers to the following:
(1) Subject to subdivision (2), ~~is~~ a claim for payment for physician care, hospital care, or transportation services under this chapter:
(A) that includes, on forms prescribed by the division, all the information required for timely payment;
(B) that is for a period during which the person is determined to be financially and medically eligible for the hospital care for the indigent program; and
(C) for which the payment amounts for the care and services are determined by the division.
This subdivision applies for the state fiscal year ending June 30, 2004.
(2) For state fiscal years ending after June 30, 2004, ~~is~~ a claim for payment for physician care, hospital care, or transportation

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services under this chapter:

(A) provided to a person under the hospital care for the indigent program under this article during the person's eligibility under the program;

(B) identified in a claim filed with the division; and

(C) determined to:

(i) have been necessitated by one (1) or more of the medical conditions listed in IC 12-16-3.5-1(a)(1) through IC 12-16-3.5-1(a)(3) or IC 12-16-3.5-2(a)(1) through IC 12-16-3.5-2(a)(3); or

(ii) be a direct consequence of one (1) or more of the medical conditions listed in IC 12-16-3.5-1(a)(1) through IC 12-16-3.5-1(a)(3).

(c) For purposes of this chapter, IC 12-15-15-9, IC 12-15-15-9.5, and IC 12-16-14,"amount" when used in regard to a claim or payable claim means an amount calculated under STEP THREE of the following formula:

STEP ONE: Identify the items and services identified in a claim or payable claim.

STEP TWO: Using the applicable Medicaid fee for service reimbursement rates, calculate the reimbursement amounts for each of the items and services identified in STEP ONE.

STEP THREE: Calculate the sum of the amounts identified in STEP TWO.

(d) For purposes of this chapter, IC 12-15-15-9, IC 12-15-15-9.5, and IC 12-16-14, a physician, hospital, or transportation provider that submits a claim to the division is considered to have submitted the claim during the state fiscal year during which the amount of the claim was determined under IC 12-16-5.5-1.2(b) or, if successfully appealed by a physician, hospital, or transportation provider, the state fiscal year in which the appeal was decided.

(e) The division shall determine the amount of a claim under IC 12-16-5.5-1.2(b).

SECTION 191. IC 12-17-12-14 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 14. The division may not approve a grant from the fund to an applicant that is planning to use a facility not located in a school, unless the applicant's facility meets the following:

(1) Standards for sanitation that are adopted by the director of the division.

(2) Standards for fire safety that are adopted by the ~~office of the state fire marshal.~~ **division of fire and building safety.**

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SECTION 192. IC 12-17-17-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. A county child advocacy fund is established in each county for the purpose of assisting the county in developing interdisciplinary responses to child abuse and neglect situations. The fund consists of amounts deposited under ~~IC 33-37-7-1(d) and~~ IC 33-37-7-2(d).

SECTION 193. IC 12-17.2-2-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. (a) A program operated to serve migrant children that is exempted under section 8(6) of this chapter and is certified by the United States Department of Health and Human Services shall be:

(1) granted a provisional license by the division, for a limited period not to exceed one (1) year and that is subject to review every three (3) months, if the division determines that the program reasonably complies with the rules adopted by the division; and

(2) inspected by the ~~state fire marshal's office~~ **division of fire and building safety.**

(b) The division and the fire prevention and building safety commission shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 that apply only to programs operated to serve migrant children that take into consideration the fact that the programs:

(1) operate in donated space;

(2) provide services for children from migrant worker families; and

(3) are operated during a single period of less than one hundred twenty (120) consecutive days during a calendar year.

(c) This section does not prohibit a program operated to serve migrant children from applying for a license under this article.

SECTION 194. IC 12-17.2-6-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. An unlicensed child care ministry under section 1 of this chapter may not operate unless the child care ministry has registered with and met the requirements of the division and the ~~office of the state fire marshal.~~ **division of fire and building safety.** Registration forms shall be provided by the division and the ~~office of the state fire marshal.~~ **division of fire and building safety.**

SECTION 195. IC 12-17.2-6-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) As used in this section, "primary use of the building" means the occupancy classification that is:

(1) most closely related to the intended use of the building; and

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(2) determined by the rules of the fire prevention and building safety commission in effect at the time that the child care ministry is first registered.

(b) The state fire marshal shall inspect a child care ministry registered under section 2 of this chapter to ensure that the child care ministry complies with the requirements of subsection (c).

(c) Except as provided in the following, a registered child care ministry shall comply with all rules of the fire prevention and building safety commission applicable to the primary use of the building:

(1) A registered child care ministry with an occupant load of at least fifty (50) shall do either of the following:

(A) Install and maintain a fire alarm system in compliance with the rules of the fire prevention and building safety commission.

(B) Provide a notice on a form prescribed by the ~~office of the state fire marshal~~ **division of fire and building safety** to the parents of each child who attends the ministry stating that the ministry does not have the same level of fire safety protection as a licensed child care center.

(2) Each registered child care ministry with an occupant load of less than fifty (50) shall do either of the following:

(A) Install and maintain in good operating condition at least one (1) battery operated smoke detector in each room and corridor used by the ministry.

(B) Provide a notice on a form prescribed by the ~~office of the state fire marshal~~ **division of fire and building safety** to the parents of each child who attends the ministry stating that the ministry does not have the same level of fire safety protection as a licensed child care center.

(3) Each registered child care ministry shall comply with the rules of the fire prevention and building safety commission concerning fire drills.

For purposes of this subsection, occupant load is determined by dividing the total square footage of the area used by the child care ministry by thirty-five (35) and rounding any result that is not a whole number up to the next whole number.

(d) The state fire marshal shall make an inspection of a child care ministry registered under section 2 of this chapter at least annually.

(e) During an inspection, the state fire marshal shall inspect the structure in which the child care ministry is conducted for fire safety and life safety with respect to the structure's primary use.

SECTION 196. IC 12-17.2-6-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS

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FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. Upon the completion of the inspections required under this chapter, a notice signed by the inspectors from the division and the ~~office of the state fire marshal~~ **division of fire and building safety** shall be issued to the operator of each child care ministry found to be in compliance. The notice shall be placed in a conspicuous place in the child care ministry, and must be in substantially the following form:

"THIS UNLICENSED REGISTERED CHILD CARE MINISTRY has been inspected and complies with state rules concerning health and sanitation in child care ministries.

DATE _____

SIGNATURE _____

DIVISION OF FAMILY AND CHILDREN

THIS UNLICENSED REGISTERED CHILD CARE MINISTRY has been inspected and complies with state law concerning fire safety and life safety.

DATE _____

SIGNATURE _____

~~STATE FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE".~~ **DIVISION OF FIRE AND BUILDING SAFETY".**

SECTION 197. IC 12-20-11-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 138, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.127-2005, SECTION 6, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. (a) If a township assistance recipient, after referral by the township trustee, is accepted and attends adult education courses under ~~*IC 20-10.1-7-1*~~ *IC 20-30-6-1* or courses at Ivy Tech ~~*State*~~ *Community* College *of Indiana* established by IC 20-12-61, the township assistance recipient is exempt from performing work or searching for work for not more than one hundred eighty (180) days.

(b) The township trustee may reimburse a township assistance recipient for tuition expenses incurred in attending the courses described in subsection (a) if the recipient:

(1) has a proven aptitude for the courses being studied;

(2) was referred by the trustee;

(3) does not qualify for other tax supported educational programs;

(4) maintains a passing grade in each course; and

(5) maintains the minimum attendance requirements specified by the educational institution.

SECTION 198. IC 13-11-2-31.6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 31.6. "Combined

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sewer system", for purposes of sections 31.3, 31.5, 43.5, ~~85.7,~~ and 120.5 of this chapter and IC 13-18, means a system of combined sewers that:

(1) is designed, constructed, and used to receive and transport combined sewage to a publicly owned wastewater treatment plant; and

(2) may contain one (1) or more overflow points that discharge combined sewage entering the publicly owned wastewater treatment plant when the hydraulic capacity of the system or part of the system is exceeded as a result of a wet weather event.

SECTION 199. IC 13-11-2-67 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 67. (a) "Enforcement action", for purposes of IC 13-20-13 and IC 13-20-14, means:

(1) a written notice of a violation or a commissioner's order issued under IC 13-30-3;

(2) a letter identifying a violation; or

(3) a court proceeding initiated by the:

(A) department;

(B) department of ~~fire and building services,~~ **homeland security;**

(C) state; or

(D) federal government;

under an environmental protection law or other law concerning public health, safety, or the environment.

(b) "Enforcement action", for purposes of IC 13-25-5, means:

(1) a written notice of violation issued under IC 13-30-3-3, IC 13-30-3-4, or IC 13-7-11-2 (before its repeal) that requires or involves the removal or remediation of petroleum or a hazardous substance;

(2) another written notice that requires the removal or remediation of petroleum or a hazardous substance and that is:

(A) issued under:

(i) IC 4-21.5-3-6;

(ii) IC 4-21.5-3-8; or

(iii) IC 4-21.5-4; or

(B) substantially equivalent to a special notice letter issued under 42 U.S.C. 9622(e); or

(3) a similar notice issued by the federal government.

SECTION 200. IC 13-11-2-245, AS AMENDED BY P.L.208-2005, SECTION 12, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.210-2005, SECTION 73, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS

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[EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 245. (a) "Vehicle", for purposes of IC 13-17-5, refers to a vehicle required to be registered with the bureau of motor vehicles and required to have brakes. The term does not include the following:

~~*(1) Farm tractors.*~~

~~*(2) Implements of husbandry.*~~

~~*(3) Farm tractors used in transportation.*~~

~~*(4)*~~ *(1)* Mobile homes (house trailers).

~~*(5)*~~ *(2)* Trailers weighing not more than three thousand (3,000) pounds.

~~*(6)*~~ *(3)* Antique motor vehicles.

(4) Special machinery (as defined in IC 9-13-2-170.3).

(b) "Vehicle", for purposes of IC 13-18-12, means a device used to transport a tank.

(c) "Vehicle", for purposes of IC 13-20-4, refers to a municipal waste collection and transportation vehicle.

(d) "Vehicle", for purposes of IC 13-20-13-7, means a motor vehicle, *a farm tractor (as defined in* ~~*IC 9-13-2-56(a) or IC 9-13-2-56(b)),*~~ **IC 9-13-2-56,** *an implement of* ~~*husbandry*~~ **agriculture** *(as defined in IC 9-13-2-77), a semitrailer (as defined in IC 9-13-2-164(a) or IC 9-13-2-164(b)),* and types of equipment, machinery, implements, or other devices used in transportation, manufacturing, agriculture, construction, or mining. The term does not include ~~*the following:*~~

~~*(1)*~~ a lawn and garden tractor that is propelled by a motor of not more than ~~*twenty (20)*~~ *twenty-five (25)* horsepower.

~~*(2) A semitrailer.*~~

(e) "Vehicle", for purposes of IC 13-20-14, has the meaning set forth in IC 9-13-2-196.

SECTION 201. IC 13-14-9-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.2-2005, SECTION 54, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.215-2005, SECTION 16, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), the department shall provide notice in the Indiana Register of the first public comment period required by section 2 of this chapter. A notice provided under this section must do the following:

(1) Identify the authority under which the proposed rule is to be adopted.

(2) Describe the subject matter and the basic purpose of the proposed rule. The description required by this subdivision must:

(A) include a listing of all alternatives being considered by the department at the time of the notice; ~~*and must*~~

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(B) include:

(i) a statement indicating whether each alternative listed under clause (A) is imposed under federal law;

(ii) a statement explaining how each alternative listed under clause (A) that is not imposed under federal law differs from federal law; and

(iii) any information known to the department about the potential fiscal impact of each alternative under clause (A) that is not imposed under federal law; and

(C) set forth the basis for each alternative *listed under clause (A).*

(3) Describe the relevant statutory or regulatory requirements or restrictions relating to the subject matter of the proposed rule that exist before the adoption of the proposed rule.

(4) Request the submission of alternative ways to achieve the purpose of the proposed rule.

(5) Request the submission of comments, including suggestions of specific language for the proposed rule.

(6) Include a detailed statement of the issue to be addressed by adoption of the proposed rule.

(b) This section does not apply to rules adopted under IC 13-18-22-2, IC 13-18-22-3, or IC 13-18-22-4.

(c) The notice required under subsection (a) shall be published electronically in the Indiana Register under procedures established by the publisher.

SECTION 202. IC 13-18-17-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) The board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 establishing groundwater quality standards that include numeric and narrative criteria, a groundwater classification plan, and a method of determining where the groundwater quality standards must apply. The standards established under this subsection shall be used for the following purposes:

(1) To establish minimum compliance levels for groundwater quality monitoring at regulated facilities.

(2) To ban the discharge of effluents into potable groundwater.

(3) To establish health protection goals for untreated water in water supply wells.

(4) To establish concentration limits for contaminants in ambient groundwater.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (c) and subject to subsection (d), the following agencies shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to apply the groundwater quality standards established under this section to

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activities regulated by the agencies:

(1) The department.

(2) The department of natural resources.

(3) The state department of health.

(4) The office of the state chemist.

(5) The ~~office of the state fire marshal.~~ **division of fire and building safety.**

(c) The executive board of the state department of health may not adopt rules to apply the nitrate and nitrite numeric criteria included in groundwater quality standards established in rules adopted by the board under subsection (a) to onsite sewage systems.

(d) Any rule adopted by the executive board of the state department of health is void to the extent that the rule applies the nitrate and nitrite numeric criteria included in groundwater quality standards established in rules adopted by the Indiana water pollution control board under subsection (a) to onsite sewage systems.

SECTION 203. IC 13-20-13-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. (a) Except as provided in subsection (d)(2), (d)(3), (d)(6), and (d)(7), the waste tire management fund is established for the following purposes:

(1) Thirty-five percent (35%) of the money deposited in the fund each year shall be used to assist the department:

(A) in the removal and disposal of waste tires from sites where the waste tires have been disposed of improperly;

(B) in operating the waste tire education program under section 15 of this chapter; and

(C) to pay the expenses of administering the programs described in clause (B).

(2) Sixty-five percent (65%) of the money deposited in the fund each year shall be used to assist the ~~department of commerce.~~ **lieutenant governor:**

(A) in providing grants and loans to persons involved in waste tire management activities under section 9 of this chapter; and

(B) to pay the expenses of administering the programs described in clause (A).

(b) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from money in the fund.

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

(d) Sources of money for the fund are the following:

(1) Fees paid under section 4(a)(6) of this chapter and IC 13-20-14-5(e).

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(2) Fees collected under section 7 of this chapter. All money deposited in the fund under this subdivision may be used by the department for waste reduction, recycling, removal, or remediation projects.

(3) Costs and damages recovered from a person under section 14 of this chapter or IC 13-20-14-8. All money deposited in the fund under this subdivision may be used by the department for removal and remediation projects.

(4) Fees established by the general assembly for the purposes of this chapter.

(5) Appropriations made by the general assembly.

(6) Gifts and donations intended for deposit in the fund. A gift or donation deposited in the fund under this subdivision may be specified to be entirely for the use of the department or the ~~department of commerce.~~ **lieutenant governor.**

(7) Civil penalties collected under IC 13-30-4 for violations of:

(A) this chapter;

(B) IC 13-20-14; and

(C) rules adopted under section 11 of this chapter and IC 13-20-14-6.

All money deposited in the fund under this subdivision may be used by the department for waste tire removal and remediation projects.

SECTION 204. IC 13-20-13-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. (a) The department may use money in the fund to assist the department in:

(1) removing waste tires from sites where waste tires have been disposed of improperly;

(2) properly managing waste tires;

(3) performing surveillance and enforcement activities used to implement proper waste tire management; and

(4) conducting the waste tire education program under section 15 of this chapter.

(b) The ~~department of commerce~~ **lieutenant governor** may use money in the fund to provide grants and loans to persons to establish and operate programs involving the following:

(1) Recycling or reuse of waste tires.

(2) Using waste tires as a source of fuel.

(3) Developing markets for waste tires and products containing recycled or reused waste tires.

(c) The ~~department of commerce~~ **lieutenant governor** may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 necessary to implement this section.

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SECTION 205. IC 13-25-1-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The commission consists of the following thirteen (13) members:

(1) The commissioner or the commissioner's designee.

(2) The **executive** director of the ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** or the **executive** director's designee.

(3) The superintendent of the state police department or the superintendent's designee.

(4) The state fire marshal or the state fire marshal's designee.

(5) Three (3) representatives of business and industry.

(6) Three (3) representatives of the public.

(7) Three (3) representatives of local government.

(b) The governor shall appoint the members provided for in subsection (a)(5) through (a)(7). A member appointed under this subsection serves at the pleasure of the governor.

SECTION 206. IC 13-25-4-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.208-2005, SECTION 13, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), (c), or (d), a person that is liable under Section 107(a) of CERCLA (42 U.S.C. 9607(a)) for:

(1) the costs of removal or remedial action incurred by the commissioner consistent with the national contingency plan;

(2) the costs of any health assessment or health effects study carried out by or on behalf of the commissioner under Section 104(i) of CERCLA (42 U.S.C. 9604(i)); or

(3) damages for:

(A) injury to;

(B) destruction of; or

(C) loss of;

natural resources of Indiana;

is liable, in the same manner and to the same extent, to the state under this section.

(b) The exceptions provided by Sections 107(b), 107(q), and 107(r) of CERCLA (42 U.S.C. 9607(b), **42 U.S.C. 9607(q), and 42 U.S.C. 9607(r))** to liability otherwise imposed by Section 107(a) of CERCLA (42 U.S.C. 9607(a)) are equally applicable to any liability otherwise imposed under subsection (a).

(c) Notwithstanding any liability imposed by the environmental management laws, a lender, a secured or unsecured creditor, or a fiduciary is not liable under the environmental management laws, in connection with the release or threatened release of a hazardous

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substance from a facility unless the lender, the fiduciary, or creditor has participated in the management of the hazardous substance at the facility.

(d) Notwithstanding any liability imposed by the environmental management laws, the liability of a fiduciary for a release or threatened release of a hazardous substance from a facility that is held by the fiduciary in its fiduciary capacity may be satisfied only from the assets held by the fiduciary in the same estate or trust as the facility that gives rise to the liability.

(e) Except as provided in subsection (g), a political subdivision (as defined in IC 36-1-2-13) or unit of federal or state government is not liable to the state under this section for costs or damages associated with the presence of a hazardous substance on, in, or at a property in which the political subdivision or unit of federal or state government acquired an interest in the property because of:

(1) bankruptcy;
(2) foreclosure;
(3) tax delinquency, including an acquisition under IC 6-1.1-24 or IC 6-1.1-25;
(4) abandonment;
(5) the exercise of eminent domain, including any purchase of property once an offer to purchase has been tendered under IC 32-24-1-5;
(6) receivership;
(7) other circumstances in which the political subdivision or unit of federal or state government involuntarily acquired an interest in the property because of the political subdivision's or unit's function as sovereign;
(8) transfer from another political subdivision or unit of federal or state government; or
(9) any other means to conduct remedial actions on a brownfield.

(f) If a transfer of an interest in property as described in subsection (e) occurs, a person who owned, operated, or otherwise controlled the property immediately before the political subdivision or unit of federal or state government acquired the interest in the property remains liable under this section:

(1) in the same manner; and
(2) to the same extent;

as the person was liable immediately before the person's interest in the property was acquired by the political subdivision or unit of federal or state government.

(g) Notwithstanding subsection (e), a political subdivision or unit of

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federal or state government that causes or contributes to the release or threatened release of a hazardous substance on, in, or at a property remains subject to this section:

(1) in the same manner; and

(2) to the same extent;

as a nongovernmental entity under this section.

SECTION 207. IC 14-8-2-67 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 67. **(a)** "Department", **except for purposes of IC 14-32,** refers to the department of natural resources.

(b) "Department" for purposes of IC 14-32, refers to the department of agriculture established by IC 15-9-2-1.

SECTION 208. IC 14-8-2-77 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 77. "Division" has the following meaning:

(1) For purposes of IC 14-9-8, the meaning set forth in IC 14-9-8-2.

(2) For purposes of IC 14-20-1, the meaning set forth in IC 14-20-1-2.

(3) For purposes of IC 14-21-1, the meaning set forth in IC 14-21-1-6.

(4) For purposes of IC 14-22, the division of fish and wildlife.

(5) For purposes of IC 14-24, the division of entomology and plant pathology.

(6) For purposes of IC 14-25.5, the division of water.

(7) For purposes of IC 14-31-2, the meaning set forth in IC 14-31-2-4.

(8) For purposes of IC 14-32, the division of soil conservation of the department of agriculture established by IC 15-9-4-1.

~~(8)~~ **(9)** For purposes of IC 14-37, the division of oil and gas.

SECTION 209. IC 14-8-2-107, AS AMENDED BY P.L.225-2005, SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 107. "Fund" has the following meaning:

(1) For purposes of IC 14-9-5, the meaning set forth in IC 14-9-5-1.

(2) For purposes of IC 14-9-8-21, the meaning set forth in IC 14-9-8-21.

(3) For purposes of IC 14-9-8-21.5, the meaning set forth in IC 14-9-8-21.5.

(4) For purposes of IC 14-9-9, the meaning set forth in IC 14-9-9-3.

(5) For purposes of IC 14-12-1, the meaning set forth in

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IC 14-12-1-1.

(6) For purposes of IC 14-12-2, the meaning set forth in IC 14-12-2-2.

(7) For purposes of IC 14-12-3, the meaning set forth in IC 14-12-3-2.

(8) For purposes of IC 14-13-1, the meaning set forth in IC 14-13-1-2.

(9) For purposes of IC 14-13-2, the meaning set forth in IC 14-13-2-3.

(10) For purposes of IC 14-16-1, the meaning set forth in IC 14-16-1-30.

(11) For purposes of IC 14-19-8, the meaning set forth in IC 14-19-8-1.

(12) For purposes of IC 14-20-1, the meaning set forth in IC 14-20-1-3.

(13) For purposes of IC 14-20-11, the meaning set forth in IC 14-20-11-2.

(14) For purposes of IC 14-22-3, the meaning set forth in IC 14-22-3-1.

(15) For purposes of IC 14-22-4, the meaning set forth in IC 14-22-4-1.

(16) For purposes of IC 14-22-5, the meaning set forth in IC 14-22-5-1.

(17) For purposes of IC 14-22-8, the meaning set forth in IC 14-22-8-1.

(18) For purposes of IC 14-22-34, the meaning set forth in IC 14-22-34-2.

(19) For purposes of IC 14-23-3, the meaning set forth in IC 14-23-3-1.

(20) For purposes of IC 14-24-4.5, the meaning set forth in IC 14-24-4.5-2(5).

(21) For purposes of IC 14-25-2-4, the meaning set forth in IC 14-25-2-4.

(22) For purposes of IC 14-25-10, the meaning set forth in IC 14-25-10-1.

(23) For purposes of IC 14-25-11-19, the meaning set forth in IC 14-25-11-19.

(24) For purposes of IC 14-25.5, the meaning set forth in IC 14-25.5-1-3.

(25) For purposes of IC 14-28-5, the meaning set forth in IC 14-28-5-2.

(26) For purposes of IC 14-31-2, the meaning set forth in

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IC 14-31-2-5.

(27) For purposes of IC 14-25-12, the meaning set forth in IC 14-25-12-1.

(28) For purposes of IC 14-32-8, the meaning set forth in IC 14-32-8-1.

~~(28)~~ **(29)** For purposes of IC 14-33-14, the meaning set forth in IC 14-33-14-3.

~~(29)~~ **(30)** For purposes of IC 14-33-21, the meaning set forth in IC 14-33-21-1.

~~(30)~~ **(31)** For purposes of IC 14-34-6-15, the meaning set forth in IC 14-34-6-15.

~~(31)~~ **(32)** For purposes of IC 14-34-14, the meaning set forth in IC 14-34-14-1.

~~(32)~~ **(33)** For purposes of IC 14-37-10, the meaning set forth in IC 14-37-10-1.

SECTION 210. IC 14-9-4-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. The following divisions are established within the department:

(1) Accounting.
(2) Administrative support services.
(3) Budget.
(4) Engineering.
(5) Entomology and plant pathology.
(6) Fish and wildlife.
(7) Forestry.
(8) Historic preservation and archeology.
(9) Human resources.
(10) Internal audit.
(11) Land acquisition.
(12) Law enforcement.
(13) Management information systems.
(14) Nature preserves.
(15) Oil and gas.
(16) Outdoor recreation.
(17) Public information and education.
(18) Reclamation.
(19) Reservoir management.
(20) Safety and training.
~~(21) Soil conservation.~~
~~(22)~~ **(21)** State museums and historic sites.
~~(23)~~ **(22)** State parks.
~~(24)~~ **(23)** Water.

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SECTION 211. IC 14-16-1-29, AS AMENDED BY P.L.219-2005, SECTION 20, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.225-2005, SECTION 13, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 29. (a) Except as provided in ~~*subsection (b),*~~ *subsections (b) and (c),* a person who violates this chapter commits a Class C infraction.

(b) A person who violates section *17, 18(a), 18(b), 18(c),* ~~*23(1), 23(2),*~~ *23(a)(1), 23(a)(2),* or 24 of this chapter commits a Class B misdemeanor.

(c) A person who violates section 18(d) or 18(e) of this chapter commits a Class A infraction.

SECTION 212. IC 14-19-3-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) Upon application to the department, a resident of Indiana:

(1) who:

(A) if born in 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, or 1937, is at least sixty (60) years of age; or

(B) if born before 1933 or after 1937, is at least sixty-five (65) years of age;

(2) who is eligible for Social Security disability payments under ~~42 U.S.C. 401,~~ **42 U.S.C. 423;**

(3) who is eligible for a disabled veteran license plate under IC 9-18-18-1; or

(4) who is issued a prisoner of war license plate under IC 9-18-17-1;

may purchase or is eligible to receive an annual Golden Hoosier Passport.

(b) A Golden Hoosier Passport entitles:

(1) the resident;

(2) the resident's motor vehicle; and

(3) the resident's passengers;

to unlimited admission for one (1) calendar year to the Indiana state parks, recreation areas, reservoirs, forests, historic sites, museums, memorials, and other department properties for which admission is charged during the year for which the passport was issued.

(c) Except as provided in subsection (d), the fee for an annual Golden Hoosier Passport issued under this section is fifty percent (50%) of the fee that the department charges a resident who is not described in subsection (a)(1), (a)(2), or (a)(3) for unlimited admission for one (1) calendar year to the Indiana state parks, recreation areas, reservoirs, forests, historic sites, museums, memorials, and other department properties for which admission is charged.

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(d) A fee may not be charged for an annual Golden Hoosier Passport issued under this section to a resident described in subsection (a)(4).

SECTION 213. IC 14-20-1-24.5, AS ADDED BY P.L.175-2005, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 24.5. (a) As used in this section, ~~"Indiana State Museum"~~ **"museum"** refers to the **Indiana state** museum located in the White River State Park ~~located~~ in Indianapolis.

(b) The museum's great hall shall be known as the "Governor Frank O'Bannon Great Hall".

(c) The president and chief operating officer of the museum shall install and maintain the following:

(1) Appropriate public signage on and around the museum that displays the name of the great hall.

(2) A plaque located at an appropriate spot in the museum describing the highlights of the life and career of Governor Frank O'Bannon.

SECTION 214. IC 14-22-6-14 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 14. (a) The:

(1) division of fish and wildlife of the department; and

(2) division of soil conservation ~~of~~ **established within** the department **of agriculture by IC 15-9-4-1,** through the soil and water conservation districts established under IC 14-32;

shall, in cooperation with other conservation education organizations and one (1) or more organizations of hunters, establish a program to help landowners with problems determined by the director to be caused by localized deer population.

(b) The program established under this section must educate landowners concerning the means by which a landowner can:

(1) control; or

(2) obtain assistance in controlling;

the deer population on the landowner's tract of land.

(c) Under the program established under this section, one (1) or more hunters or organizations of hunters may, upon request by a landowner, work with the department and the landowner to alleviate problems caused by localized deer populations.

(d) In each county, the division of fish and wildlife, in cooperation with the soil and water conservation district established within the county under IC 14-32, shall disseminate information about the program established under this section.

SECTION 215. IC 14-23-6-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. The department shall do the following:

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(1) Organize, establish, and maintain a program of education, training, and service throughout Indiana to combat forest, brush, or open fires occurring in Indiana.

(2) Establish an organization of trained volunteer forest firefighters to be known and designated as the Indiana volunteer forest firefighters service.

(3) Cooperate with local firefighting services and the ~~office of the state fire marshal~~ **division of fire and building safety** to combat fires under this section.

SECTION 216. IC 14-24-4.5-13, AS ADDED BY P.L.225-2005, SECTION 24, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 13. (a) The ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture or the ~~commissioner's~~ **director's** designee shall serve as compact administrator for Indiana. The duties of the compact administrator are considered a regular part of the duties of the commissioner of agriculture.

(b) Copies of bylaws and amendments to the compact adopted under section 4(h) of this chapter must be filed with the compact administrator.

SECTION 217. IC 14-24-4.5-14, AS ADDED BY P.L.225-2005, SECTION 24, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 14. Within the meaning of sections 6(b) and 8(a) of this chapter, a request or an application for assistance from the fund may be made by the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture or the ~~commissioner's~~ **director's** designee whenever the ~~commissioner~~ **director** or ~~commissioner's~~ **director's** designee believes the conditions qualifying ~~Indiana~~ **the state** for assistance exist and it would be in the best interest of ~~Indiana~~ **the state** to make a request.

SECTION 218. IC 14-25-13-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. (a) The department **of natural resources** shall provide administrative and staff services for the commissioners from Indiana on the Commission as provided by this chapter.

(b) The deputy director for the bureau of water and resource regulation shall, without additional compensation, serve as technical secretary to the Commission in Indiana. The deputy director shall handle the correspondence, make or arrange for the investigations and surveys, and obtain, assemble, or prepare the reports and data that the commissioners direct and authorize.

(c) This section does not do any of the following:

(1) Alter or affect the obligations of all officers of this state under section 6 of this chapter.

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(2) Alter the manner in which the commissioners from Indiana on the Commission are appointed.

(3) Alter any of the jurisdiction, authority, rights, powers, property, duties, responsibilities, causes of action, or defense vested on June 30, 1965, in or required of the following:

(A) The Commission.

(B) The commissioners from Indiana on the Commission.

SECTION 219. IC 14-32-2-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. The soil conservation board is established within the department **of agriculture established by IC 15-9-2-1.**

SECTION 220. IC 14-32-2-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. The board consists of the following nine (9) members:

(1) Four (4) members who must be land occupiers with farming interests, appointed by the governor.

(2) Two (2) members who must be land occupiers with nonfarming interests, appointed by the governor.

(3) Three (3) ex officio members as follows:

(A) The director or the director's designee.

(B) The ~~commissioner of agriculture~~ **director of the department of agriculture** or the ~~commissioner's~~ **director's** designee.

(C) The director of the Purdue University cooperative extension service or the director's designee.

SECTION 221. IC 14-32-2-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. (a) A majority of the six (6) appointed members of the board must have experience as district supervisors.

(b) In making appointments to the board, the governor may invite and consider the recommendations of the following:

(1) The Purdue University cooperative extension service.

(2) The department **of agriculture.**

(3) The Indiana Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts.

(c) All appointments to the board shall be made without regard to political affiliation.

(d) The members appointed to the board under section 2(1) and 2(2) of this chapter must be residents of at least four (4) different geographic regions of Indiana.

SECTION 222. IC 14-32-2-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. (a) The members

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of the board shall elect a member as the chairman of the board.

(b) The director of the division of soil conservation **established within the department of agriculture by IC 15-9-4-1** is the secretary of the board.

SECTION 223. IC 14-32-5-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) As used in this section, "landfill" means a facility where solid waste is to be disposed of through placement on or beneath the surface of the ground. However, the term does not include any of the following:

(1) A land application operation regulated under 327 IAC 6.

(2) A surface impoundment.

(3) An injection well.

(4) A facility for the disposal of solid waste other than sludge from a municipal wastewater treatment plant that is:

(A) generated at the site of the facility; or

(B) generated by the owner or operator of the facility.

(5) An operation permitted under IC 14-34.

(b) As used in this section, "underground injection" means the subsurface emplacement of fluids through:

(1) a bored, drilled, or driven shaft; or

(2) a dug hole, the depth of which is greater than the hole's largest surface dimension.

(c) A district shall inspect every landfill located within the boundaries of the district for compliance with rules adopted under IC 13-18 or IC 13-19 concerning erosion and sediment control. Each landfill shall be inspected under this section at least two (2) times each calendar year as follows:

(1) One (1) time before July 1.

(2) One (1) time after June 30 and before December 31.

(d) Not later than ten (10) days after an inspection of a landfill under this section, the individual who conducted the inspection on behalf of the district shall prepare a written report on the results of the inspection and send the report to the following:

(1) The executive of the county.

(2) The commissioner of the department of environmental management.

(3) The director of the division of soil conservation **established within the department of agriculture by IC 15-9-4-1.**

SECTION 224. IC 14-32-7-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) The division of soil conservation:

(1) shall administer and coordinate the duties and responsibilities

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of the department **of agriculture** under the land resource programs authorized by this chapter; and

(2) in carrying out its duties under subdivision (1), may work in cooperation with the following:

(A) Federal and state agencies.

(B) Local governmental agencies involved in land use planning and zoning.

(C) Any person, firm, institution, or agency, public or private, having an interest in land conservation.

(b) The department **of agriculture** may employ the personnel and provide facilities and services that are necessary to carry out the ~~department's~~ **department of agriculture's** duties and responsibilities under this chapter.

SECTION 225. IC 14-32-7-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. (a) As used in this section, "urban geology survey" means a systematic scientific identification, inventory, and mapping of the earth materials of a given area that sets forth the capabilities, potentials, and limitations of the earth materials for human needs.

(b) The department **of agriculture** shall use the money appropriated by the general assembly to initiate and carry out a program of urban geology surveys, together with other geologic investigations, for Indiana to develop and present the geologic data and information necessary to a coordinated land conservation program that will promote sound land use decisions.

SECTION 226. IC 14-32-7-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. (a) As used in this section, "landscape survey" means a systematic scientific identification, inventory, and mapping of the features of the earth's surface that serve to constitute the landscape of a given area, including key factors such as the following:

(1) Land form.

(2) Vegetation.

(3) Wildlife.

(4) Physical characteristics.

(5) Visual perception.

(6) Historical and cultural sites.

(b) The department **of agriculture** shall use the money appropriated by the general assembly to initiate and carry out a program of landscape surveys for Indiana to develop and present the surficial landscape data and information necessary to promote wise land use decisions.

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SECTION 227. IC 14-32-7-8.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8.5. (a) As used in this section, "soil survey" means a systematic scientific identification, inventory, and mapping of the soils of a given area that sets forth the capabilities, potential, and limitations of the soils in the satisfaction of human needs.

(b) The department **of agriculture** shall use the money appropriated by the general assembly to implement and supplement a program of modern soil surveys for Indiana that will, within the shortest practicable time, provide a modern soil survey for each county as an essential tool in land conservation.

SECTION 228. IC 14-32-7-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. The department **of agriculture** shall provide more support and assistance to the local soil and water conservation districts by:

(1) granting to the districts the additional money that is appropriated by the general assembly; and

(2) increased coordination and consultative services;

to obtain increased participation by the districts in the development of improved local land use practices and decisions.

SECTION 229. IC 14-32-7-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. The department **of agriculture** shall use the money appropriated by the general assembly to expand the small watershed planning program as carried out in cooperation with the Natural Resources Conservation Service of the United States Department of Agriculture under 16 U.S.C. 1001 et seq., to reduce the accumulation of approved watershed planning requests and expedite the realization of the multiple benefits of this soil and water conservation program.

SECTION 230. IC 14-32-7-11 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 11. The department **of agriculture** shall coordinate and schedule the programs authorized by sections 7 through 8 of this chapter to provide, as nearly as practicable, for concurrent completion and furnishing of the results of each program for each selected area study unit.

SECTION 231. IC 14-32-7-13 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 13. The department **of agriculture** shall administer this article subject to the direction of the board.

SECTION 232. IC 14-32-8-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. The clean water Indiana program is established. The division of soil conservation

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established within the department of agriculture by IC 15-9-4-1 shall administer the program subject to the direction of the board.

SECTION 233. IC 14-33-16.5-11, AS ADDED BY P.L.189-2005, SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 11. In an election held under this chapter, a majority of all votes cast by the freeholders of the smaller district ~~determine~~ **determines** the question of the dissolution of the smaller district and the larger district's assumption of the smaller district's operations, obligations, and assets.

SECTION 234. IC 15-1.5-2-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.241-2005, SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The commission consists of eight (8) members as follows:

(1) Five (5) members appointed by the governor.

(2) The presiding officer of the board.

(3) The ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture or the ~~commissioner's~~ **director's** designee.

(4) The presiding officer of the trustees or the presiding officer's designee who must be selected from the membership of the trustees.

(b) Not more than one (1) member appointed under subsection (a)(1) may reside in the same district. Each district is not required to have a member of the commission represent it.

(c) Not more than three (3) members appointed under subsection (a)(1) may be affiliated with the same political party.

(d) Two (2) members appointed under subsection (a)(1) must have a recognized interest in agriculture or agribusiness.

SECTION 235. IC 15-1.5-4-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The board consists of seventeen (17) members as follows:

(1) The governor or the governor's designee.

(2) The ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture or the ~~commissioner's~~ **director's** designee.

(3) The director of the cooperative extension service of Purdue University or the director's designee.

(4) Seven (7) members appointed by the governor, one (1) from each district under this chapter.

(5) One (1) member elected from each district under this chapter.

(b) Not more than one (1) member appointed under subsection (a)(4) may reside in the same district.

(c) Not more than four (4) members appointed under subsection (a)(4) may be affiliated with the same political party.

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(d) Each member appointed under subsection (a)(4) must have a recognized interest in agriculture or agribusiness.

(e) When an appointment of a member under subsection (a)(4) is required, the appointment may not be made until after the election of members under subsection (a)(5) for that year is certified.

SECTION 236. IC 15-1.5-4-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. If an organization wants to be certified to vote in an election under this chapter, the organization must apply to the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture.

SECTION 237. IC 15-1.5-4-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. (a) Subject to sections 11 through 13 of this chapter, the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture shall certify an organization that applies under section 9 of this chapter only if the organization:

(1) is an agricultural interest;

(2) is regularly organized within the district;

(3) has at least ten (10) active members;

(4) has duly elected officers;

(5) has an annual meeting;

(6) has been in existence for at least one (1) year before the application for certification is filed with the ~~commissioner;~~ **director of the department of agriculture;** and

(7) before July 1 of the year of the election in which the organization wants to participate, files with the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture:

(A) the name of the organization;

(B) the names and addresses of the organization's officers;

(C) the name, address, and title of the individual who is authorized by the organization to vote for the organization in an election under this chapter;

(D) the number of the organization's active members;

(E) a certification that the organization is eligible to be certified under this chapter; and

(F) other information required by the ~~commissioner.~~ **director of the department of agriculture.**

(b) A certification expires on July 1 of the fourth year after the certification is issued by the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture.

SECTION 238. IC 15-1.5-4-13 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 13. (a) The ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture may not

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certify more than two (2) organizations in a county representing an agricultural interest described in any subdivision of IC 15-1.5-1-2.

(b) If more than two (2) organizations in a county representing an agricultural interest described in a subdivision of IC 15-1.5-1-2 apply for certification, the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture may certify any two (2) organizations, considering the following criteria:

(1) Order of application for certification.

(2) Number of members of each organization.

(3) How long each organization has been in existence.

(4) Activity of each organization in promotion of agricultural interests.

(5) Diversity of representation of interests within the agricultural community.

SECTION 239. IC 15-1.5-4-14 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 14. (a) Before September 1 of the year the term of a member representing a district expires, the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture shall notify each agricultural interest certified within the member's district that a convention will be held to elect the member to represent the district.

(b) Subject to section 17 of this chapter, the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture shall state in the notice required by subsection (a) the time and the place of the convention and the name of the presiding officer. The ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department of agriculture** shall choose a time and a place that will encourage maximum participation in the convention by certified agricultural interests.

SECTION 240. IC 15-1.5-4-15 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 15. The ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture shall send copies of the credentials of each individual entitled to vote in a convention to the following:

(1) The board member representing the district.

(2) The individual who will preside over the district convention.

SECTION 241. IC 15-1.5-4-16 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 16. (a) The ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture shall choose from among the members of the commission the individual to preside at a convention.

(b) The presiding officer of the convention may vote in the case of a tie vote on any matter.

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SECTION 242. IC 15-1.5-4-18 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 18. The ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture shall adopt rules for the business of a convention. Rules adopted under this section may not be inconsistent with this chapter.

SECTION 243. IC 15-1.5-4-23 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 23. The ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture may:

(1) adopt rules under IC 4-22-2; and

(2) prescribe forms;

to implement sections 9 through 22 of this chapter.

SECTION 244. IC 15-1.5-10.5-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.241-2005, SECTION 13, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) The trustees govern the barn. The trustees consist of seventeen (17) members as follows:

(1) The governor or the governor's designee.

(2) The ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture or the ~~commissioner's~~ **director's** designee.

(3) The dean of agriculture of Purdue University or the dean's designee.

(4) The president of the Purdue University Agriculture Alumni Association or the president's designee.

(5) The state superintendent of public instruction or the state superintendent's designee.

(6) The state veterinarian or the state veterinarian's designee.

(7) The presiding officer of the state fair commission or the presiding officer's designee selected from the membership of the state fair commission.

(8) The presiding officer of the state fair board or the presiding officer's designee selected from the membership of the state fair board.

(9) One (1) member appointed by the largest Indiana organization representing agricultural interests in Indiana, as determined by the number of members of the organization. The member serves at the pleasure of the member's organization.

(10) One (1) member appointed by the second largest Indiana organization representing agricultural interests in Indiana, as determined by the number of members of the organization. The member serves at the pleasure of the member's organization.

(11) Seven (7) members appointed by the governor.

(b) Of the members appointed under subsection (a)(11), not more

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than four (4) may be affiliated with the same political party.

(c) Each member appointed under subsection (a)(11) must have a recognized interest in the barn.

SECTION 245. IC 15-1.5-10.5-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.222-2005, SECTION 30, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.241-2005, SECTION 19, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. (a) The trustees shall recommend an individual to be employed *by the commission* as ~~*executive*~~ *the barn* director, ~~*of the barn subject to the approval of the governor. If the governor approves an individual recommended by the trustees, the trustees may employ the individual as executive director. If the governor does not approve an individual recommended by the trustees, the trustees shall submit another recommendation to the governor.*~~ *subject to approval by the commission.*

(b) The ~~*executive director employed under this section:*~~

~~*(1) is the chief administrative officer of the barn; and*~~

~~*(2)*~~ *barn director* shall implement the policies of the trustees *and the commission.*

(c) The ~~*trustees*~~ *commission* may delegate any of the ~~*trustees'*~~ *commission's* powers to the ~~*executive*~~ *barn* director. The ~~*trustees*~~ *commission* may make a delegation under this subsection ~~*through a resolution adopted by the trustees.*~~

~~*(d) the compensation for the executive director and other employees of the trustees may be paid in full or in part by the nonprofit entity established under section 10 of this chapter.*~~ *by either of the following:*

(1) A resolution adopted by the commission.

(2) A rule adopted by the commission under IC 4-22-2.

(d) ~~*Notwithstanding IC 4-2-6-5,*~~ *With approval by the commission, commission employees:*

(1) may be compensated in full or in part by the nonprofit entity established under section 10 of this chapter; and

(2) may perform services that support the purposes of the nonprofit entity established under section 10 of this chapter.

SECTION 246. IC 15-4-3.5-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. A representative group of not less than five percent (5%) of the producers of an agricultural commodity, may petition the dean for permission to establish a commodity market development council. This petition shall include:

(a) a statement of the area of production to be included; the area shall be statewide, except that it may be limited to a well defined smaller area where such area is the principal commercial producer in

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the state of the commodity;

(b) a statement of the general purposes of the commodity market development council program which may include research, education, market development, publicity, sales promotion, and cooperation with other state, regional, and national organizations;

(c) the amount of the fee that is desired to be collected for each designated unit of commercial quantities of the commodity;

(d) the method or methods to be used in the collection of the fee;

(e) the composition, qualification, terms of office, method of nomination, election, filling unexpired terms, expenses, and duties of the members of the council, but:

(1) the council shall consist of an odd number of not less than five (5) nor more than fifteen (15) members who shall serve not more than six (6) consecutive years and of whom the majority shall be producers to be selected by producers;

(2) the dean shall serve as an ex-officio member of the council; and

(3) the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture or the ~~commissioner's~~ **director's** designee shall serve as an ex-officio member of the council; **and**

(f) the method of conducting the referendum of the commodity producers either by mail or by polling place depending on the area and volume of the commodity.

SECTION 247. IC 15-4-10-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "director" refers to the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture or the person designated by the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture to carry out duties imposed on the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department of agriculture** under this chapter.

SECTION 248. IC 15-4-10-26 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 26. (a) An assessment of one-half cent ($0.005) per bushel is permitted on all corn sold in Indiana. The assessment may be imposed and collected on a quantity of corn only once, and shall be collected by the first purchaser if the producer exercises the option under subsection (b) to be included in the assessment. An assessment shall not be conducted on the producer without the producer's written consent. The rate of the assessment imposed by this section may be increased only by the general assembly.

(b) In conjunction with the producer’s first settlement with the first purchaser following June 30, 2001, the first purchaser shall make

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available to the producer the forms granting the producer the option to be included in the assessment and inform the producer of the option to be included. If the producer desires to be included in the assessment, the producer shall complete and sign a form, in writing, indicating the producer's desire to be included in the assessment permitted by subsection (a). It is a producer's obligation to return enrollment forms to a first purchaser. The first purchaser shall keep a record of each producer's desire to be included in the assessment, as indicated on the completed forms. Forms completed by a producer shall remain in effect until repealed in writing by the producer and delivered to the first purchaser. The initial enrollment by producers who want to participate in the corn marketing program must occur from July 1, 2001, through August 31, 2001. Corn market development assessments collected by a first purchaser begin on September 15, 2001. A change in participation by a producer to be included in the assessment or to discontinue the assessment does not take effect until July 1 following the producer's election to change. The ~~office of the commissioner~~ **department** of agriculture shall prescribe the forms to be used under this subsection and distribute the forms to the first purchaser prior to July 1, 2001. The council shall reimburse the ~~office of the commissioner~~ **department** of agriculture for the costs of preparation and distribution of the forms required by this subsection from the funds the council receives under this chapter. Auditing fees collected from this program and all other programs by the Indiana grain buyers and warehouse licensing agency revert to the office of agriculture account to cover administrative costs.

(c) If the producer indicates the desire to be included in the assessment permitted under subsection (a) by following the procedure described in subsection (b), the first purchaser of a quantity of corn shall deduct the assessment on the corn from the sum of money to be paid to the producer based on the sale of the corn. A first purchaser shall accumulate assessments collected under this subsection throughout each of the following periods:

(1) January, February, and March.

(2) April, May, and June.

(3) July, August, and September.

(4) October, November, and December.

(d) At the end of each period, the first purchaser shall remit to the council all assessments collected during the period. A first purchaser who remits all assessments collected during a period within fifteen (15) days after the end of the period is entitled to retain three percent (3%) of the total of the assessments as a handling fee.

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SECTION 249. IC 15-4-11-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. This chapter applies to civil actions against a seller for the failure of agricultural or vegetable seeds to perform if the container in which the seeds were sold included the following notice on the label:

NOTICE OF REQUIRED ARBITRATION

Under the seed laws of Indiana and some other states, arbitration is required as a precondition of maintaining certain legal actions, counterclaims, or defenses against a seller of seed. Information about this requirement, where applicable, may be obtained from a state's seed commissioner ~~commissioner~~ **or the department** of agriculture. ~~or chief agricultural official.~~

SECTION 250. IC 15-4-12-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "applicant" refers to a certifying agent applying for accreditation from the ~~commissioner~~ **director** in compliance with the Organic Foods Production Act.

SECTION 251. IC 15-4-12-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "certifying agent" refers to a person or entity acting as an independent contractor who is:

(1) accredited by the ~~commissioner;~~ **director;**

(2) approved by the panel to conduct field or farm certification; and

(3) accredited by the United States Department of Agriculture under the Organic Foods Production Act.

SECTION 252. IC 15-4-12-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, ~~"commissioner"~~ **"director"** refers to the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture or the ~~commissioner's~~ **director's** designee.

SECTION 253. IC 15-4-12-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. (a) The ~~commissioner~~ **director** may grant accreditation to an applicant under this chapter.

(b) In determining whether to grant accreditation to an applicant, the ~~commissioner~~ **director** shall consider a report concerning the applicant that is prepared by the panel under section 13 of this chapter.

(c) The ~~commissioner~~ **director** shall make a determination and respond to the applicant on or before three (3) months after the date of receipt of the application.

SECTION 254. IC 15-4-12-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS

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FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. A certifying agent operating within ~~the state~~ **Indiana** must apply in writing to the ~~commissioner~~ **director** for accreditation.

SECTION 255. IC 15-4-12-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. (a) The Indiana organic peer review panel is established.

(b) The panel consists of nine (9) members who have knowledge in techniques involving the growing of organic products and have experience in the field of organic agriculture. The governor shall appoint the members as follows:

(1) Three (3) representatives of the Indiana farming community who are operators of an organic farm in ~~the state~~ **Indiana** that is certified by a private certification agency.

(2) One (1) representative of a group representing retailers or distributors of organic products.

(3) Two (2) representatives of a group representing consumers of organic products.

(4) One (1) representative of a group representing processors or handlers of organic products.

(5) The ~~commissioner~~ **director** shall serve as an ex officio nonvoting member of the panel.

(6) The state chemist shall serve as an ex officio nonvoting member of the panel.

(c) Not more than two (2) voting members of the panel appointed under subsection (b) may be persons who are employed by the state.

(d) The panel shall select a chairman from among the panel members.

(e) The term of each voting member of the panel is four (4) years. A vacancy on the panel before the expiration of a term shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as an appointment to the panel is made.

(f) The governor may remove a panel member for cause.

SECTION 256. IC 15-4-12-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. The ~~commissioner~~ **director** shall implement this chapter with the assistance of the panel. The ~~commissioner~~ **director** has no regulatory authority under this chapter except as provided under section 16 of this chapter.

SECTION 257. IC 15-4-12-13 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 13. (a) The panel shall do the following:

(1) Adopt criteria for establishing standards to be used in reviewing the procedure by which certifying agents certify that

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the agricultural product was produced or handled in accordance with the regulations adopted under the Organic Foods Production Act.

(2) Review all applicants every three (3) years.

(3) Prepare and submit a report concerning the applicant to the ~~commissioner.~~ **director.**

(4) Assist the ~~commissioner~~ **director** in evaluating applications for accreditation from applicants.

(5) Establish fees to be paid by an applicant seeking accreditation from the ~~commissioner~~ **director** to certify organic products. The fees established may not exceed the costs of administering this chapter.

(b) The criteria adopted under this section must concern the following:

(1) The production and handling of agricultural products.

(2) A procedure under which certifying agents certify a farm, field, or product under this chapter.

(3) The inspection of farms and products.

(4) Testing by certifying agents.

(5) Reasonable security provided by the certifying agent for the protection of the rights of participants in an applicable organic certification program.

(6) Other terms and conditions that the panel considers necessary, in compliance with the Organic Foods Production Act.

SECTION 258. IC 15-4-12-14 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 14. A person may sell or label a product produced in Indiana as:

(1) organic;

(2) certified organic; or

(3) Indiana certified organic;

in Indiana, only if the product has been certified by a certifying agency that has been accredited by the ~~commissioner.~~ **director.**

SECTION 259. IC 15-4-12-16 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 16. The ~~commissioner~~ **director** shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement this chapter.

SECTION 260. IC 15-4-12-17 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 17. The panel may, subject to the approval of the ~~commissioner,~~ **director,** do all things necessary to implement this chapter. However, if residue testing of a product subject to certification under this chapter is required by federal law or regulations, the testing must be conducted according to

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standards developed by the state chemist.

SECTION 261. IC 15-4-12-18 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 18. The panel may, subject to the approval of the ~~commissioner,~~ **director,** seek injunctive relief for violations of this chapter.

SECTION 262. IC 15-4-13-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. (a) As used in this section, "suit" refers to a suit commenced against a farmer by a seed supplier to enforce its rights under, or in connection with, a seed contract.

(b) If a seed supplier files suit against a farmer, the seed supplier shall provide simultaneous written notice of the suit to the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture.

(c) Failure to give notice of the suit to the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture as provided in subsection (b) does not impair the jurisdiction of the court to hear the suit.

(d) A seed supplier that fails to give notice to the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture as provided in subsection (b) commits a Class B infraction.

(e) The ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture shall keep a file of all notices of suits received under this section.

SECTION 263. IC 15-5-1.1-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. As used in this chapter:

"Accredited college of veterinary medicine" means a veterinary college or division of a university or college that:

(1) offers the degree doctor of veterinary medicine or its equivalent;

(2) conforms to the standards required for accreditation by the American Veterinary Medical Association; and

(3) is accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association or an accrediting agency that has been approved by the United States Department of Education or its successor.

"Agency" refers to the Indiana professional licensing agency established by IC 25-1-5-3.

"Animal" means any animal other than man and includes birds, fish, mammals, and reptiles, wild or domestic.

"Approved program" means a program in veterinary technology that:

(1) conforms to the standards required for accreditation by the American Veterinary Medical Association; and

(2) is accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association

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or an accrediting agency that has been approved by the United States Department of Education or its successor.

"Board" means the Indiana board of veterinary medical examiners created by this chapter.

~~"Bureau" refers to the health professions bureau established by IC 25-1-5-3.~~

"ECFVG certificate" means a certificate issued by the American Veterinary Medical Association Educational Commission for Foreign Veterinary Graduates, indicating that the holder has demonstrated knowledge and skill equivalent to that possessed by a graduate of an accredited college of veterinary medicine.

"Extern" means a senior veterinary student enrolled in an accredited college of veterinary medicine, or a second year student enrolled in an approved program in veterinary technology, employed by or working with a licensed veterinarian and under ~~his~~ **the licensed veterinarian's** direct supervision.

"Licensed veterinarian" means an individual who is licensed pursuant to this chapter to practice veterinary medicine in this state.

"Person" means an individual, an incorporated or unincorporated organization or association, or a group of such persons acting in concert.

"Practice of veterinary medicine" means:

(1) representing oneself as engaged in the practice of veterinary medicine, veterinary surgery, or veterinary dentistry in any of its branches or using words, letters, or titles in a connection or under circumstances that may induce another person to believe that the person using them is engaged in the practice of veterinary medicine, veterinary surgery, or veterinary dentistry;

(2) accepting remuneration for doing any of the things described in subdivisions (3) through (6);

(3) diagnosing a specific disease or injury, or identifying and describing a disease process of animals, or performing any procedure for the diagnosis of pregnancy, sterility, or infertility upon animals;

(4) prescribing a drug, medicine, appliance or application, or treatment of whatever nature for the prevention, cure, or relief of bodily injury or disease of animals;

(5) performing a surgical or dental operation upon an animal; or

(6) administering a drug, medicine, appliance, application, or treatment of whatever nature for the prevention, cure, or relief of a wound, fracture, or bodily injury or disease of animals, except where such drug, medicine, appliance, application, or treatment

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is administered at the direction and under the direct supervision of a veterinarian licensed under this chapter.

"Registered veterinary technician" means a veterinary technician registered pursuant to this chapter to work under the direct supervision of a licensed veterinarian.

"Veterinarian" means an individual who was a licensed veterinarian on August 31, 1979, or who has received a professional degree from an accredited college of veterinary medicine.

"Veterinary medicine" includes veterinary surgery, obstetrics, dentistry, acupuncture, and all other branches or specialties of veterinary medicine.

"Veterinary technician" means an individual who has successfully completed a program in veterinary technology of at least two (2) years in a school that conforms to the standards required for accreditation by the American Veterinary Medical Association and that is accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association.

SECTION 264. IC 15-5-1.1-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) The board shall hold an annual meeting in Indianapolis and other regular meetings during each year and at such places as it may fix.

(b) The board may hold such special meetings as it deems necessary. The chairman or two (2) members of the board may call a special meeting.

(c) Four (4) members of the board constitute a quorum.

(d) All meetings shall be open and public except that the board may meet in closed session to prepare, approve, administer, or grade examinations, or to deliberate the qualifications of an applicant for license or registration or the disposition of a proceeding to discipline a licensed veterinarian or registered veterinary technician.

(e) Minutes of each regular and special meeting shall be compiled and kept as a permanent record in the same office as other records of the board are kept. The responsibility for the care and safekeeping of such minutes shall devolve upon the ~~bureau.~~ **agency.**

(f) Each member of the board is entitled to reimbursement for traveling and other expenses as provided in the state travel policies and procedures established by the department of administration and approved by the state budget agency.

SECTION 265. IC 15-5-1.1-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. (a) At its annual meeting the board shall elect a chairman and vice chairman and such other officers as it may determine. Such officers shall serve for terms of one (1) year or until a successor is elected. There is no limitation on

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the number of terms an officer may serve.

(b) The state veterinarian shall be the technical advisor of the board.

(c) The duties of the ~~bureau~~ **agency** include:

(1) corresponding for the board;

(2) keeping accounts and records of all receipts and disbursements by the board;

(3) keeping records of all applications for license or registration;

(4) keeping a register of all persons currently licensed or registered by the board; and

(5) keeping permanent records of all board proceedings.

SECTION 266. IC 15-5-1.1-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. (a) The powers enumerated in this section are granted for the purpose of enabling the board to effectively supervise the practice of veterinary medicine and are to be construed liberally to accomplish this objective.

(b) The board is vested with the sole authority to determine the qualifications of applicants for:

(1) a license to practice veterinary medicine in this state; and

(2) registration to practice as a veterinary technician in this state.

(c) The board is vested with the sole authority to issue, renew, deny, suspend, or revoke:

(1) licenses and special permits to practice veterinary medicine in this state; and

(2) registrations or special permits to practice as a veterinary technician in this state.

(d) The board is vested with sole authority to discipline licensed veterinarians and registered veterinary technicians consistent with the provisions of this chapter and the rules adopted thereunder.

(e) The board is vested with the sole authority to determine the following:

(1) The examinations applicants are required to take.

(2) The subjects to be covered.

(3) The places where and the dates on which examinations will be given.

(4) The deadlines for applying to take the examinations.

(f) The board may establish by rule minimum standards of continuing education for the renewal of licenses to practice veterinary medicine and for the renewal of registrations as a veterinary technician. The rules adopted under this subsection must comply with IC 25-1-4-3.

(g) The board shall adopt by rule standards of professional conduct for the competent practice of veterinary medicine and the competent practice of a veterinary technician.

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(h) Subject to IC 25-1-7, the board may conduct investigations for the purpose of discovering violations of this chapter:

(1) by licensed veterinarians or registered veterinary technicians; or

(2) by persons practicing veterinary medicine without a license or persons practicing as a registered veterinary technician without being registered.

(i) The board may inspect, without notice and during normal working hours, veterinary hospitals, clinics, or other establishments to determine if such places meet the board's standards of cleanliness and sanitation as defined by the board's rules.

(j) The board may hold hearings on all matters properly brought before it and in connection thereto may administer oaths, receive evidence, make findings, and enter orders consistent with the findings. The board may require by subpoena the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the production of papers, records, or other documentary evidence and commission depositions. The board may designate one (1) or more of its members to serve as its hearing officer.

(k) The board may bring proceedings in the courts for the enforcement of this chapter or any rules made pursuant thereto.

(l) The board shall have fees collected for examining and licensing veterinarians and for examining and registering veterinary technicians.

(m) The board may enter into reciprocal agreements with its counterpart boards in other states and may effect such agreements by rule.

(n) The board may appoint from its own membership one (1) or more members to act as representatives of the board at any meeting within or without the state where such representation is deemed desirable.

(o) The ~~bureau~~ **agency** shall provide the board with full or part-time professional and clerical personnel and supplies including printed matter and equipment necessary to effectuate the provisions of this chapter.

(p) The board may, in the manner prescribed by IC 4-22-2, adopt such reasonable rules as it deems necessary for the performance of its duties, consistent with this chapter and other applicable laws of this state. Any rule adopted under, and applicable to, the prior veterinarian and veterinary technician licensing and registration laws (IC 15-5-1 and IC 15-5-1.5) continues in effect under this chapter until rescinded or amended by the board.

(q) The board may adopt an appropriate seal which may be affixed to all license and registration certificates and other official documents

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of the board.

SECTION 267. IC 15-5-1.1-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. (a) The board shall hold at least one (1) examination for licensing veterinarians and one (1) examination for registering veterinary technicians each year but it may hold more. The ~~bureau~~ **agency** shall give notice of the time and place for each examination at least ninety (90) days in advance of the date set for the examination. A person desiring to take an examination must make application not later than the time the board may prescribe under section 8(e) of this chapter.

(b) The preparation, administration, and grading of examinations shall be approved by the board. Examinations shall be designed to test the examinee's knowledge of and proficiency in the subjects and techniques commonly taught in veterinary schools. To pass the examination, the examinee must demonstrate scientific and practical knowledge sufficient to prove to the board that the examinee is competent to practice veterinary medicine or to act as a veterinary technician, as the case may be. The board may adopt and use examinations approved by the National Board Examination Committee.

(c) To qualify for a license as a veterinarian or to be registered as a veterinary technician, the applicant must attain a passing score in the examinations.

(d) After the examinations, the ~~bureau~~ **agency** shall notify each examinee of the result of the examinee's examinations and the board shall issue a license or registration certificate, as appropriate, to each individual who successfully completes the examinations and is otherwise qualified. The ~~bureau~~ **agency** shall keep a permanent record of the issuance of each license or registration certificate.

(e) An individual who fails to pass the required examinations may apply to take a subsequent examination. However, payment of the examination fee shall not be waived.

(f) A license or registration certificate issued under this article is valid for the remainder of the renewal period in effect on the date of issuance.

SECTION 268. IC 15-5-1.1-17 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 17. (a) A license issued under this chapter is valid until the next renewal date described under subsection (b).

(b) All licenses expire on October 15 in each odd-numbered year, but may be renewed by application to the board and payment of the proper renewal fee. In accordance with IC 25-1-5-4(c), the ~~bureau~~ **agency** shall mail a sixty (60) day notice of expiration to each licensed

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veterinarian and provide the veterinarian with a form for renewal. The ~~bureau~~ **agency** shall issue a license renewal to each individual licensed under this chapter if the proper fee has been received and all other requirements for renewal of the license have been satisfied. Failure to renew a license on or before the expiration date automatically renders the license invalid without any action by the board.

SECTION 269. IC 15-5-1.1-18 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 18. (a) A registration certificate issued under this chapter is valid until the next renewal date described under subsection (b).

(b) All registration certificates expire on January 1 of each even-numbered year, but may be renewed by application to the board and payment of the proper renewal fee. In accordance with IC 25-1-5-4(c), the ~~bureau~~ **agency** shall mail a sixty (60) day notice of expiration to each registered veterinary technician and provide the veterinary technician with a form for renewal. The ~~bureau~~ **agency** shall issue a registration certificate renewal to each individual registered under this chapter, provided the proper fee has been received and all other requirements for renewal of the registration certificate have been satisfied. Failure to renew a registration certificate on or before the expiration date automatically renders the license invalid without any action by the board.

SECTION 270. IC 15-5-1.1-20.2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 20.2. The board shall establish by rule under IC 25-1-8 fees sufficient to implement this chapter. The fees established under this section shall be charged and collected by the ~~bureau.~~ **agency.**

SECTION 271. IC 15-6-4-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, ~~"commissioner"~~ **"director"** refers to the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture or the ~~commissioner's~~ **director's** designee.

SECTION 272. IC 15-6-4-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. (a) The Indiana dairy industry development board is established. The board is a public body corporate and politic, and though it is separate from the state, the exercise by the board of its powers constitutes an essential governmental function.

(b) The board consists of:

(1) at least nine (9); and

(2) not more than twenty-five (25);

voting members appointed under section 12 of this chapter.

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(c) Each voting member of the board must:

(1) be a resident of Indiana;

(2) be at least twenty-one (21) years of age;

(3) have been actually engaged in the production of milk in Indiana for at least one (1) year; and

(4) derive a substantial portion of the member's income from the production of milk in Indiana.

(d) The board may appoint individuals who hold offices of importance to the milk industry or have special expertise concerning the industry to participate in the work of the board as nonvoting members. Not more than five (5) individuals may be appointed under this subsection.

(e) The ~~commissioner~~ **director** may participate in the activities of the board as an ex officio member.

(f) An Indiana dairy farmer selected to serve on the national dairy board shall be a nonvoting, advisory member of the board.

(g) Fewer than fifty percent (50%) of the board members, including nonvoting members, may be members of Milk Promotion Services of Indiana, Inc.

SECTION 273. IC 15-6-4-23 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 23. (a) The board shall file a report with the ~~commissioner~~ **director** before October 1.

(b) The report required under subsection (a) must contain the following information:

(1) The income received from the assessments and penalties collected under this chapter for the preceding fiscal year.

(2) The expenditure of funds by the board during the year for the administration of this chapter.

(3) A brief description of all contracts requiring the expenditure of funds by the board and the action taken by the board on all such contracts.

(4) An explanation of all programs relating to the discovery, promotion, and development of markets and industries for the utilization of dairy products and the direct expense associated with each program.

(5) The name and address of each member of the board.

(6) A brief description of the rules, regulations, and orders adopted and promulgated by the board.

(c) The report required under subsection (a) shall be available to the public upon request.

SECTION 274. IC 15-7-2-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. The

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~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture who will hereafter be referred to as ~~"commissioner"~~ **"director"** is hereby designated as the state official of the state ~~of Indiana~~ to make application to and receive from the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States, or any other proper federal official, pursuant and subject to the provisions of Public Law 499, 81st Congress, approved May 3, 1950, the trust assets, either funds or property, held by the United States as trustee in behalf of the Indiana rural rehabilitation corporation.

SECTION 275. IC 15-7-2-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. The ~~commissioner~~ **director** is authorized to enter into agreements with the secretary of agriculture of the United States pursuant to section 2(f) of the aforesaid act of the congress of the United States, upon such terms and conditions and for such periods of time as may be mutually agreeable, authorizing the secretary of agriculture of the United States to accept, administer, expend, and use in the state of Indiana all or any part of such trust assets or any other funds of the state of Indiana which may be appropriated for such uses for carrying out the purposes of Titles 1 and 2 of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, in accordance with the applicable provisions of Title 4 thereof, as now or hereafter amended, and the ~~commissioner~~ **director** shall provide in such agreement with the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States that all of such funds shall be administered through the farmer's home administration and that only **three percent** (3%) of the book value of the assets so transferred may be used for administrative purposes, providing, further, that said Farmer's Home Administration shall be authorized to do any and all things necessary to effectuate and carry out the purposes of said agreements.

SECTION 276. IC 15-7-2-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, funds and the proceeds of the trust assets which are not authorized to be administered by the secretary of agriculture of the United States under the provisions of section 2 of this chapter shall be received by the ~~commissioner~~ **director** under the application made pursuant to section 1 of this chapter, and by ~~him~~ **the director** deposited with the state treasurer to be held in a special fund for expenditure on proper voucher and warrant by the ~~commissioner~~ **director** for the purposes of section 2 of this chapter.

SECTION 277. IC 15-7-2-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. The ~~commissioner~~ **director** is authorized and empowered to do the

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following:

~~(a)~~ **(1)** Collect, compromise, adjust, or cancel claims and obligations arising out of or administered under this chapter or under any mortgage, lease, contract, or agreement entered into or administered pursuant to this chapter and, if in its judgment, necessary and advisable, pursue the same to final collection in any court having jurisdiction.

~~(b)~~ **(2)** Bid for and purchase at any execution, foreclosure, or other sale, or otherwise to acquire property upon which the ~~commissioner~~ **director** has a lien by reason of a judgment or execution, or which is pledged, mortgaged, conveyed, or which otherwise secures any loan or other indebtedness owing to or acquired by the ~~commissioner~~ **director** under this chapter.

~~(c)~~ **(3)** Accept title to any property so purchased or acquired; to operate or lease such property for such period as may be deemed necessary to protect the investment therein; and to sell or otherwise dispose of such property in a manner consistent with the provisions of this chapter.

The authority herein contained shall by the ~~commissioner~~ **director** be delegated to the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States with respect to funds or assets authorized to be administered and used by ~~him~~ **the director** under agreements entered into pursuant to section 2 of this chapter.

SECTION 278. IC 15-7-2-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. The United States and the Secretary of Agriculture ~~thereof~~ shall be held free from liability by virtue of the transfer of the assets to the ~~commissioner of agriculture pursuant to~~ **director under** this chapter.

SECTION 279. IC 15-7-8-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, ~~"commissioner"~~ **"director"** refers to the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture or the ~~commissioner's~~ **director's** designee.

SECTION 280. IC 15-7-8-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. The ~~commissioner~~ **director** may establish a program pursuant to 7 U.S.C. 6991 et seq. (the Federal Crop Insurance Reform and Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994) to provide procedures for mediating adverse decisions by agencies of the United States Department of Agriculture.

SECTION 281. IC 15-7-8-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. The

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~~commissioner~~ **director** may apply to the Secretary of the United States Department of Agriculture for financial assistance for the operation and administration of the program.

SECTION 282. IC 15-7-8-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. The ~~commissioner~~ **director** may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 that are necessary to administer the program.

SECTION 283. IC 15-7-8-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) The ~~commissioner~~ **director** must approve each mediator who serves in the program.

(b) Before a mediator may be approved, the ~~commissioner~~ **director** shall provide adequate training to the mediator to ensure that the mediator:

(1) has a reasonable expertise in agriculture, including a basic understanding of federal and state agricultural programs; and

(2) is not biased, prejudiced, or personally interested in the outcome of a proceeding.

SECTION 284. IC 15-7-9-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, ~~"commissioner"~~ **"director"** refers to the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture.

SECTION 285. IC 15-7-9-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. The ~~commissioner~~ **director** shall provide the necessary staff and administrative support for the council.

SECTION 286. IC 15-7-9-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. (a) The council consists of the following members:

(1) The ~~commissioner,~~ **director** or ~~in the commissioner's absence, the assistant commissioner.~~ **the director's designee.**

(2) Nine (9) members appointed by the governor as follows:

(A) One (1) member representing county government.

(B) One (1) member representing municipal government.

(C) One (1) member representing farm owners.

(D) One (1) member representing home building and land development.

(E) One (1) member representing business.

(F) One (1) member representing the environment.

(G) One (1) member with expertise in land use issues representing academia.

(H) One (1) member representing soil and water conservation

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districts.

(I) One (1) member representing forestry.

(b) Not more than five (5) of the members appointed by the governor under subsection (a)(2) may be of the same political party.

(c) The term of a member is four (4) years.

(d) Each member appointed by the governor under subsection (a)(2) is entitled to hold office for the term of the member's appointment and is entitled to continue to serve after expiration of the member's appointment until a successor is appointed and qualified.

(e) Any member is eligible for reappointment.

(f) Any member appointed by the governor under subsection (a)(2) may be removed from office by the governor and serves at the pleasure of the governor.

(g) If a vacancy occurs among the members of the council appointed by the governor under subsection (a)(2), the governor shall appoint an individual to serve for the unexpired term of the vacating member.

SECTION 287. IC 15-7-9-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. ~~(a) Except as provided in subsection (b),~~ The ~~commissioner~~ **director or the director's designee** serves as chairman of the council.

~~(b) In the absence of the commissioner, the assistant commissioner serves as chairman of the council.~~

SECTION 288. IC 15-7-9-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. The ~~council shall keep the~~ council's records and information **shall be kept** at the office of the ~~commissioner.~~ **director.**

SECTION 289. IC 15-8-1-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. ~~"Commissioner"~~ **"Director"** refers to the ~~lieutenant governor, serving as the commissioner of agriculture under IC 4-4-3-2.~~ **director of the department of agriculture.**

SECTION 290. IC 15-8-2-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. The ~~commissioner of agriculture~~ **director** shall administer a program of grants under this chapter to provide counseling for financially troubled farmers.

SECTION 291. IC 15-8-2-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. The funds may be granted by the ~~commissioner~~ **director** as needed and when available.

SECTION 292. IC 15-8-2-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. The

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~~commissioner~~ **director** may award a grant under this chapter to any individual, corporation, association, organization, or other entity that demonstrates the capacity to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

SECTION 293. IC 15-8-2-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. The ~~commissioner~~ **director** and a grantee must have a written agreement that states in detail the services that the grantee will provide to financially troubled farmers in accordance with the purposes of this chapter.

SECTION 294. IC 15-8-2-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. (a) There is established an advisory board to advise the ~~commissioner~~ **director** on the administration of this article. Specifically, the advisory board shall advise the ~~commissioner~~ **director** on:

(1) the nature and types of counseling services that should be offered under this article, in the view of the advisory board; and

(2) the general needs of Indiana farmers and the rural community.

(b) The advisory board shall consist of the following members:

(1) The ~~commissioner~~ **director** or the ~~commissioner's proxy,~~ **director's designee,** who shall act as chairperson of the advisory board.

(2) Representatives of not more than two (2) conventional lenders.

(3) Representatives of not more than two (2) governmental lenders.

(4) Representatives of not more than two (2) quasi-governmental lenders.

(5) Not more than two (2) representatives of agribusiness.

(6) Not more than two (2) representatives of a grantee or grantees.

(7) Not more than two (2) representatives of Purdue University.

(c) The members of the advisory board referred to in subsection (b)(2) through (b)(7) shall be appointed by the ~~commissioner.~~ **director.**

(d) The advisory board shall meet at least two (2) times each year.

SECTION 295. IC 15-9-2-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.83-2005, SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. The department shall do the following:

(1) Provide administrative and staff support for the following:

(A) The center for value added research.

(B) The state fair board for purposes of administering the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture's duties under IC 15-1.5-4.

(C) The Indiana corn marketing council for purposes of

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administering the duties of the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture under IC 15-4-10.

(D) The Indiana organic peer review panel.

(E) The Indiana dairy industry development board for purposes of administering the duties of the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture under IC 15-6-4.

(F) The Indiana land resources council.

(G) The Indiana grain buyers and warehouse licensing agency.

(H) The Indiana grain indemnity corporation.

(I) The division of soil conservation established by IC 15-9-4-1.

(2) Administer the election of state fair board members.

(3) Administer state programs and laws promoting agricultural trade.

(4) Administer state livestock or agriculture marketing grant programs.

(5) Administer economic development efforts for agriculture.

SECTION 296. IC 16-21-1-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. (a) Licensure inspections of an institution or agency shall be made regularly in accordance with rules adopted under this chapter. The state department shall make all health and sanitation inspections, including inspections in response to an alleged breach of this chapter or rules adopted under this chapter. The ~~office of the state fire marshal, or the fire marshal's authorized agents,~~ **division of fire and building safety** shall make all fire safety inspections. The council may provide for other inspections necessary to implement this chapter.

(b) An employee of the state department who knowingly or intentionally informs an institution or agency of the exact date of an unannounced inspection shall be suspended without pay for five (5) days for a first offense and shall be dismissed for a subsequent offense.

(c) Reports of all inspections must be in writing and sent to the institution or agency.

(d) The report of an inspection and records relating to the inspection may not be released to the public until the conditions set forth in IC 16-19-3-25 are satisfied.

SECTION 297. IC 16-22-6-25 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 25. Before the execution of a lease the governing board of the hospital and the county executive shall approve the plans, specifications, and estimates of cost for the building, equipment, and appurtenances that the authority proposes to lease to a lessee. The plans and specifications also shall be

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submitted to and approved by the state department, the ~~office of the state fire marshal,~~ **division of fire and building safety,** and other state agencies designated by law to pass on plans and specifications for public buildings.

SECTION 298. IC 16-22-7-28 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 28. Before executing a lease, the governing board of the hospital shall approve the plans, specifications, and estimates of cost for the building, including equipment and appurtenances, that the authority proposes to lease to a lessee. The plans and specifications shall be submitted to and approved by the state department, ~~office of the state fire marshal,~~ **the division of fire and building safety,** and other state agencies designated by law to pass on plans and specifications for public buildings.

SECTION 299. IC 16-22-8-34, AS AMENDED BY P.L.184-2005, SECTION 35, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 34. (a) The board or corporation may do all acts necessary or reasonably incident to carrying out the purposes of this chapter, including the following:

(1) As a municipal corporation, sue and be sued in any court with jurisdiction.

(2) To serve as the exclusive local board of health and local department of health within the county with the powers and duties conferred by law upon local boards of health and local departments of health.

(3) To adopt and enforce ordinances consistent with Indiana law and administrative rules for the following purposes:

(A) To protect property owned or managed by the corporation.

(B) To determine, prevent, and abate public health nuisances.

(C) To establish quarantine regulations, impose restrictions on persons having infectious or contagious diseases and contacts of the persons, and regulate the disinfection of premises.

(D) To license, regulate, and establish minimum sanitary standards for the operation of a business handling, producing, processing, preparing, manufacturing, packing, storing, selling, distributing, or transporting articles used for food, drink, confectionery, or condiment in the interest of the public health.

(E) To control:

(i) rodents, mosquitos, and other animals, including insects, capable of transmitting microorganisms and disease to humans and other animals; and

(ii) the animal's breeding places.

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(F) To require persons to connect to available sewer systems and to regulate the disposal of domestic or sanitary sewage by private methods. However, the board and corporation ~~has~~ **have** no jurisdiction over publicly owned or financed sewer systems or sanitation and disposal plants.

(G) To control rabies.

(H) For the sanitary regulation of water supplies for domestic use.

(I) To protect, promote, or improve public health. For public health activities and to enforce public health laws, the state health data center described in IC 16-19-10 shall provide health data, medical information, and epidemiological information to the corporation.

(J) To detect, report, prevent, and control disease affecting public health.

(K) To investigate and diagnose health problems and health hazards.

(L) To regulate the sanitary and structural conditions of residential and nonresidential buildings and unsafe premises.

(M) To license and regulate the design, construction, and operation of public pools, spas, and beaches.

(N) To regulate the storage, containment, handling, use, and disposal of hazardous materials.

(O) To license and regulate tattoo parlors and body piercing facilities.

(4) To manage the corporation's hospitals, medical facilities, and mental health facilities.

(5) To furnish health and nursing services to elementary and secondary schools within the county.

(6) To furnish medical care to the indigent within the county unless medical care is furnished to the indigent by the division of family and children.

(7) To determine the public health policies and programs to be carried out and administered by the corporation.

(8) To adopt an annual budget ordinance and levy taxes.

(9) To incur indebtedness in the name of the corporation.

(10) To organize the personnel and functions of the corporation into divisions and subdivisions to carry out the corporation's powers and duties and to consolidate, divide, or abolish the divisions and subdivisions.

(11) To acquire and dispose of property.

(12) To receive and make gifts.

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(13) To receive and distribute federal, state, local, or private grants.

(14) To erect buildings or structures or improvements to existing buildings or structures.

(15) To determine matters of policy regarding internal organization and operating procedures.

(16) To do the following:

(A) Adopt a schedule of reasonable charges for nonresidents of the county for medical and mental health services.

(B) Collect the charges from the patient or from the governmental unit where the patient resided at the time of the service.

(C) Require security for the payment of the charges.

(17) To adopt a schedule of and to collect reasonable charges for patients able to pay in full or in part.

(18) To enforce Indiana laws, administrative rules, and the code of the health and hospital corporation of the county.

(19) To purchase supplies, materials, and equipment for the corporation.

(20) To employ personnel and establish personnel policies to carry out the duties, functions, and powers of the corporation.

(21) To employ attorneys admitted to practice law in Indiana.

(22) To acquire, erect, equip, and operate the corporation's hospitals, medical facilities, and mental health facilities.

(23) To dispose of surplus property in accordance with a policy by the board.

(24) To determine the duties of officers and division directors.

(25) To fix the compensation of the officers and division directors.

(26) To carry out the purposes and object of the corporation.

(27) To obtain loans for hospital expenses in amounts and upon terms agreeable to the board. The board may secure the loans by pledging accounts receivable or other security in hospital funds.

(28) To establish fees for licenses, services, and records. The corporation may accept payment by credit card for fees.

(b) The board shall exercise the board's powers and duties in a manner consistent with Indiana law, administrative rules, and the code of the health and hospital corporation of the county.

SECTION 300. IC 16-28-1-13 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 13. (a) Licensure inspections of health facilities shall be made regularly in accordance with rules adopted under this chapter. The division shall make all

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health and sanitation inspections. The ~~office of the state fire marshal or the fire marshal's authorized agents~~ **division of fire and building safety** shall make all fire safety inspections. The council or the director may provide for other inspections necessary to carry out this chapter.

(b) The exact date of an inspection of a health facility under this chapter may not be announced or communicated directly or indirectly to the owner, administrator, or an employee of the facility before the inspection. An employee of the state department who knowingly or intentionally informs a health facility of the exact date of an inspection shall be suspended without pay for five (5) days for a first offense and shall be dismissed for a subsequent offense.

(c) Reports of all inspections must be:

(1) in writing; and

(2) sent to the health facility.

(d) The report of an inspection and records relating to the inspection may not be released to the public until the conditions set forth in IC 16-19-3-25 are satisfied.

SECTION 301. IC 16-31-3-14, AS AMENDED BY P.L.22-2005, SECTION 21, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 14. (a) A person holding a certificate issued under this article must comply with the applicable standards and rules established under this article. A certificate holder is subject to disciplinary sanctions under subsection (b) if the ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** determines that the certificate holder:

(1) engaged in or knowingly cooperated in fraud or material deception in order to obtain a certificate, including cheating on a certification examination;

(2) engaged in fraud or material deception in the course of professional services or activities;

(3) advertised services or goods in a false or misleading manner;

(4) falsified or knowingly allowed another person to falsify attendance records or certificates of completion of continuing education courses required under this article or rules adopted under this article;

(5) is convicted of a crime, if the act that resulted in the conviction has a direct bearing on determining if the certificate holder should be entrusted to provide emergency medical services;

(6) is convicted of violating IC 9-19-14.5;

(7) fails to comply and maintain compliance with or violates any applicable provision, standard, or other requirement of this article

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or rules adopted under this article;

(8) continues to practice if the certificate holder becomes unfit to practice due to:

(A) professional incompetence that includes the undertaking of professional activities that the certificate holder is not qualified by training or experience to undertake;

(B) failure to keep abreast of current professional theory or practice;

(C) physical or mental disability; or

(D) addiction to, abuse of, or dependency on alcohol or other drugs that endanger the public by impairing the certificate holder's ability to practice safely;

(9) engages in a course of lewd or immoral conduct in connection with the delivery of services to the public;

(10) allows the certificate holder's name or a certificate issued under this article to be used in connection with a person who renders services beyond the scope of that person's training, experience, or competence;

(11) is subjected to disciplinary action in another state or jurisdiction on grounds similar to those contained in this chapter. For purposes of this subdivision, a certified copy of a record of disciplinary action constitutes prima facie evidence of a disciplinary action in another jurisdiction;

(12) assists another person in committing an act that would constitute a ground for disciplinary sanction under this chapter; or

(13) allows a certificate issued by the commission to be:

(A) used by another person; or

(B) displayed to the public when the certificate is expired, inactive, invalid, revoked, or suspended.

(b) The ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** may issue an order under IC 4-21.5-3-6 to impose one (1) or more of the following sanctions if the ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** determines that a certificate holder is subject to disciplinary sanctions under subsection (a):

(1) Revocation of a certificate holder's certificate for a period not to exceed seven (7) years.

(2) Suspension of a certificate holder's certificate for a period not to exceed seven (7) years.

(3) Censure of a certificate holder.

(4) Issuance of a letter of reprimand.

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(5) Assessment of a civil penalty against the certificate holder in accordance with the following:

(A) The civil penalty may not exceed five hundred dollars ($500) per day per violation.

(B) If the certificate holder fails to pay the civil penalty within the time specified by the ~~state emergency management agency,~~ **department of homeland security,** the ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** may suspend the certificate holder's certificate without additional proceedings.

(6) Placement of a certificate holder on probation status and requirement of the certificate holder to:

(A) report regularly to the ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** upon the matters that are the basis of probation;

(B) limit practice to those areas prescribed by the ~~state emergency management agency;~~ **department of homeland security;**

(C) continue or renew professional education approved by the ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** until a satisfactory degree of skill has been attained in those areas that are the basis of the probation; or

(D) perform or refrain from performing any acts, including community restitution or service without compensation, that the ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** considers appropriate to the public interest or to the rehabilitation or treatment of the certificate holder.

The ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** may withdraw or modify this probation if the ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** finds after a hearing that the deficiency that required disciplinary action is remedied or that changed circumstances warrant a modification of the order.

(c) If an applicant or a certificate holder has engaged in or knowingly cooperated in fraud or material deception to obtain a certificate, including cheating on the certification examination, the ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** may rescind the certificate if it has been granted, void the examination or other fraudulent or deceptive material, and prohibit the applicant from reapplying for the certificate for a length of time established by the ~~state emergency management agency.~~ **department of homeland security.**

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(d) The ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** may deny certification to an applicant who would be subject to disciplinary sanctions under subsection (b) if that person were a certificate holder, has had disciplinary action taken against the applicant or the applicant's certificate to practice in another state or jurisdiction, or has practiced without a certificate in violation of the law. A certified copy of the record of disciplinary action is conclusive evidence of the other jurisdiction's disciplinary action.

(e) The ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** may order a certificate holder to submit to a reasonable physical or mental examination if the certificate holder's physical or mental capacity to practice safely and competently is at issue in a disciplinary proceeding. Failure to comply with a ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** order to submit to a physical or mental examination makes a certificate holder liable to temporary suspension under subsection (i).

(f) Except as provided under subsection (a), subsection (g), and section 14.5 of this chapter, a certificate may not be denied, revoked, or suspended because the applicant or certificate holder has been convicted of an offense. The acts from which the applicant's or certificate holder's conviction resulted may be considered as to whether the applicant or certificate holder should be entrusted to serve the public in a specific capacity.

(g) The ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** may deny, suspend, or revoke a certificate issued under this article if the individual who holds or is applying for the certificate is convicted of any of the following:

(1) Possession of cocaine, a narcotic drug, or methamphetamine under IC 35-48-4-6.

(2) Possession of a controlled substance under IC 35-48-4-7(a).

(3) Fraudulently obtaining a controlled substance under IC 35-48-4-7(b).

(4) Manufacture of paraphernalia as a Class D felony under IC 35-48-4-8.1(b).

(5) Dealing in paraphernalia as a Class D felony under IC 35-48-4-8.5(b).

(6) Possession of paraphernalia as a Class D felony under IC 35-48-4-8.3(b).

(7) Possession of marijuana, hash oil, or hashish as a Class D felony under IC 35-48-4-11.

(8) Maintaining a common nuisance under IC 35-48-4-13.

(9) An offense relating to registration, labeling, and prescription

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forms under IC 35-48-4-14.

(10) Conspiracy under IC 35-41-5-2 to commit an offense listed in subdivisions (1) through (9).

(11) Attempt under IC 35-41-5-1 to commit an offense listed in subdivisions (1) through (10).

(12) An offense in any other jurisdiction in which the elements of the offense for which the conviction was entered are substantially similar to the elements of an offense described by subdivisions (1) through (11).

(h) A decision of the ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** under subsections (b) through (g) may be appealed to the commission under IC 4-21.5-3-7.

(i) The ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** may temporarily suspend a certificate holder's certificate under IC 4-21.5-4 before a final adjudication or during the appeals process if the ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** finds that a certificate holder would represent a clear and immediate danger to the public's health, safety, or property if the certificate holder were allowed to continue to practice.

(j) On receipt of a complaint or information alleging that a person certified under this chapter or IC 16-31-3.5 has engaged in or is engaging in a practice that is subject to disciplinary sanctions under this chapter, the ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** must initiate an investigation against the person.

(k) The ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** shall conduct a factfinding investigation as the ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** considers proper in relation to the complaint.

(l) The ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** may reinstate a certificate that has been suspended under this section if the ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** is satisfied that the applicant is able to practice with reasonable skill, competency, and safety to the public. As a condition of reinstatement, the ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** may impose disciplinary or corrective measures authorized under this chapter.

(m) The ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** may not reinstate a certificate that has been revoked under this chapter.

(n) The ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** must be consistent in the application of sanctions authorized in this chapter. Significant departures from prior decisions

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involving similar conduct must be explained in the ~~state emergency management agency's~~ **department of homeland security's** findings or orders.

(o) A certificate holder may not surrender the certificate holder's certificate without the written approval of the ~~state emergency management agency,~~ **department of homeland security,** and the ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** may impose any conditions appropriate to the surrender or reinstatement of a surrendered certificate.

(p) For purposes of this section, "certificate holder" means a person who holds:

(1) an unlimited certificate;

(2) a limited or probationary certificate; or

(3) an inactive certificate.

SECTION 302. IC 16-31-3-14.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 14.5. The ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** may issue an order under IC 4-21.5-3-6 to deny an applicant's request for certification or permanently revoke a certificate under procedures provided by section 14 of this chapter if the individual who holds the certificate issued under this title is convicted of any of the following:

(1) Dealing in or manufacturing cocaine, a narcotic drug, or methamphetamine under IC 35-48-4-1.

(2) Dealing in a schedule I, II, or III controlled substance under IC 35-48-4-2.

(3) Dealing in a schedule IV controlled substance under IC 35-48-4-3.

(4) Dealing in a schedule V controlled substance under IC 35-48-4-4.

(5) Dealing in a substance represented to be a controlled substance under IC 35-48-4-4.5.

(6) Knowingly or intentionally manufacturing, advertising, distributing, or possessing with intent to manufacture, advertise, or distribute a substance represented to be a controlled substance under IC 35-48-4-4.6.

(7) Dealing in a counterfeit substance under IC 35-48-4-5.

(8) Dealing in marijuana, hash oil, or hashish under IC 35-48-4-10(b).

(9) Conspiracy under IC 35-41-5-2 to commit an offense listed in subdivisions (1) through (8).

(10) Attempt under IC 35-41-5-1 to commit an offense listed in subdivisions (1) through (8).

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(11) A crime of violence (as defined in IC 35-50-1-2(a)).

(12) An offense in any other jurisdiction in which the elements of the offense for which the conviction was entered are substantially similar to the elements of an offense described under subdivisions (1) through (11).

SECTION 303. IC 16-31-3.5-6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.22-2005, SECTION 27, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) The commission must require emergency medical dispatchers to participate in continuing emergency medical dispatch education and training.

(b) An emergency medical dispatcher education and training course must:

(1) meet the curriculum and standards approved by the commission; and

(2) be conducted by an instructor or instructors that meet qualifications established by the commission.

(c) A person may not offer or conduct a training course that is represented as a course for emergency medical dispatcher certification unless the course is approved by the ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** and the instructor or instructors meet the qualifications established by the commission.

SECTION 304. IC 16-31-8-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. The ~~state emergency management agency~~ **department of homeland security** shall administer the fund. The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from money in the fund.

SECTION 305. IC 16-41-3-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) The state department may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 concerning the compilation for statistical purposes of information collected under IC 16-41-2.

(b) The state department shall adopt procedures to gather, monitor, and tabulate case reports of incidents involving dangerous communicable diseases or unnatural outbreaks of diseases known or suspected to be used as weapons. The state department shall specifically engage in medical surveillance, tabulation, and reporting of confirmed or suspected cases set forth by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the United States Department of Health and Human Services and the United States Public Health Service of the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

(c) The state department shall notify the:

~~(1) state emergency management agency;~~

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(1) department of homeland security;

(2) Indiana State Police; and

(3) county health department and local law enforcement agency having jurisdiction of each unnatural outbreak or reported case described in subsection (b);

as soon as possible after the state department receives a report under subsection (b). Notification under this subsection must be made not more than twenty-four (24) hours after receiving a report.

SECTION 306. IC 16-41-21-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) A school site, school, or addition to a school may not be located within five hundred (500) feet of the following:

(1) A stream.

(2) A railroad.

(3) A stable.

(4) A horse, mule, or cattle barn used for breeding.

(5) **A** noisemaking industry.

(6) Any unhealthful conditions.

(b) A:

(1) railroad;

(2) stable;

(3) horse, mule, or cattle barn used for breeding;

(4) noisemaking industry; or

(5) unhealthful condition;

may not be located or erected within five hundred (500) feet of a school site, school, or school addition. This provision may be waived on written approval of the superintendent of public instruction, the state health commissioner or the commissioner's legally authorized agent, and the ~~state building commissioner.~~ **division of fire and building safety.**

SECTION 307. IC 16-42-5-0.7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 0.7. (a) Except as provided in this chapter, a corporation or local health department may not impose any requirements or standards on the installation of food handling machinery in a food establishment regulated by this chapter.

(b) The installation of food handling machinery includes all activities associated with the machinery's installation, including the wiring, plumbing, air handling, and all other processes.

(c) This section does not limit the authority of the state fire marshal ~~the state building commissioner~~ or other state agencies to regulate food establishments.

(d) This section does not limit the authority of a corporation or local

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health department to enforce requirements or standards established by state law or the state department for the installation of food handling machinery.

SECTION 308. IC 16-44-2-18.5, AS ADDED BY P.L.214-2005, SECTION 61, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 18.5. (a) As used in this section, "special fuel" has the meaning set forth in IC 6-6-2.5-22, except that the term does not include kerosene.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (c), fees for the inspection of special fuel shall be at the rate of fifty cents ($0.50) per barrel (fifty (50) gallons) on all special fuel sold or used in producing or generating power for propelling motor vehicles in Indiana less deductions provided in this section.

(c) A fee for the inspection of special fuel may not be charged with respect to special fuel that is exempt from the special fuel tax under IC 6-6-2.5-30.

(d) The fee imposed by this chapter on special fuel sold or used in producing or generating power for propelling motor vehicles in Indiana shall be collected and remitted to the state at the same time, by the same person, and in accordance with the same requirements for collection and remittance of the special fuels tax under IC 6-6-2.5-35.

(e) Fees collected under this section shall be deposited by the department in the underground petroleum storage tank excess liability trust fund established by IC 13-23-7-1.

(f) A person who receives a refund of special fuel tax under IC 6-6-2.5 is also entitled to a refund of fees paid under this section if:

(1) the fees were paid with respect to special fuel that was used for an exempt purpose described in IC 6-6-2.5-30; and

(2) the person submits to the ~~state~~ department of **state** revenue a claim for a refund, in the form prescribed by the ~~state of~~ department of **state** revenue, that includes the following information:

(A) Any evidence requested by the ~~state~~ department of **state** revenue concerning the person's:

(i) payment of the fee imposed by this section; and

(ii) receipt of a refund of special fuel taxes from the ~~state~~ department of **state** revenue under IC 6-6-2.5.

(B) Any other information reasonably requested by the ~~state~~ department of **state** revenue.

The ~~state~~ department of **state** revenue may make any investigation it considers necessary before refunding fees to a person.

SECTION 309. IC 20-12-0.5-13, AS ADDED BY P.L.246-2005,

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SECTION 122, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 13. (a) The commission shall exercise its powers and duties under section 8 of this chapter in a manner to facilitate the use of:

(1) the core transfer library established under section 8(18) of this chapter at state educational institutions; and

(2) at least twelve (12) degree programs established under section 8(19) of this chapter at Ivy Tech ~~State~~ **Community** College **of Indiana** and Vincennes University.

(b) The core transfer library developed under section 8(18) of this chapter shall be developed in accordance with the following principles:

(1) Each course in the core transfer library must transfer in and apply toward meeting degree requirements in the same way as the receiving state educational institution's equivalent course.

(2) Courses in the core transfer library must draw primarily from the liberal arts but must include introductory or foundational courses in technical, professional, and occupational fields.

(3) At least seventy (70) courses must be identified for inclusion in the core transfer library. The identified courses must emphasize the courses most frequently taken by undergraduates.

(4) With respect to core transfer library courses being transferred from a state educational institution to Indiana University or Purdue University, Indiana University and Purdue University must identify transfer equivalents so that a course accepted by one (1) regional campus will be accepted by all other regional campuses that offer the same transfer equivalent course.

(5) Within the Indiana University system and Purdue University system, equivalent courses, including courses with the same course number and title, must count in the same way at all campuses within the system where the course is offered.

(c) The commission shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 and prescribe procedures to facilitate the use of the core transfer library established under section 8(18) of this chapter, including designating courses in the course transfer library in the materials that colleges and universities use to communicate widely with students, such as online catalogs and course schedules, and at least twelve (12) degree programs established under section 8(19) of this chapter.

SECTION 310. IC 20-12-1-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. (a) An employee of a state educational institution (as defined in IC 20-12-0.5-1) may report in writing the existence of:

(1) a violation of a federal law or regulation;

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(2) a violation of a state law or rule;

(3) a violation of an ordinance of a political subdivision (as defined in IC 36-1-2-13); or

(4) the misuse of public resources;

first to a supervisor or appointing authority, unless the supervisor or appointing authority is the person whom the employee believes is committing the violation or misuse of public resources. In that case, the employee may report the violation or misuse of public resources in writing to either the supervisor or the appointing authority or to any official or agency entitled to receive a report from the state ethics commission under ~~IC 4-2-6-4(b)(2)(G)~~ **IC 4-2-6-4(b)(2)(J)** or ~~IC 4-2-6-4(b)(2)(H).~~ **IC 4-2-6-4(b)(2)(K).** If a good faith effort is not made to correct the problem within a reasonable time, the employee may submit a written report of the incident to any person, agency, or organization.

(b) For having made a report under subsection (a), an employee may not:

(1) be dismissed from employment;

(2) have salary increases or employment related benefits withheld;

(3) be transferred or reassigned;

(4) be denied a promotion that the employee otherwise would have received; or

(5) be demoted.

(c) Notwithstanding subsections (a) and (b), an employee must make a reasonable attempt to ascertain the correctness of any information to be furnished and may be subject to disciplinary actions for knowingly furnishing false information, including suspension or dismissal, as determined by the employee's appointing authority or the appointing authority's designee. However, any employee disciplined under this subsection is entitled to process an appeal of the disciplinary action under the procedure set forth in any personnel policy or collective bargaining agreement adopted by the state educational institution.

(d) An employer who violates this section commits a Class A infraction.

SECTION 311. IC 20-12-17.5-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.105-2005, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) This section does not apply to:

(1) Ivy Tech ~~State~~ **Community** College **of Indiana;** and

(2) Vincennes University with respect to two-year degree programs.

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(b) Except as provided in sections 5 and 6 of this chapter, each state educational institution must require a student who is an Indiana resident to have completed either:

(1) the Core 40 curriculum established under IC 20-30-10; or

(2) a curriculum that is equivalent to the Core 40 curriculum;

as a general requirement for regular admission as a freshman to the state educational institution.

(c) Each state educational institution must establish the institution's:

(1) requirements for regular admission; and

(2) exceptions to the institution's requirements for regular admission.

SECTION 312. IC 20-12-17.5-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.105-2005, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. (a) This section applies to:

(1) Ivy Tech ~~State~~ **Community** College **of Indiana;** and

(2) Vincennes University with respect to two-year degree programs.

(b) A student who enters a state educational institution to which this section applies to obtain a two-year degree is not required to have completed either:

(1) the Core 40 curriculum established under IC 20-30-10; or

(2) a curriculum that is equivalent to the Core 40 curriculum;

to be admitted to the state educational institution.

SECTION 313. IC 20-12-76-18, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 34, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 18. (a) Subject to subsections (b), (c), (e), and (f), the commission shall determine the penal sum of each surety bond based upon the following guidelines:

(1) A postsecondary proprietary educational institution that has no annual gross tuition charges assessed for the previous year shall secure a surety bond in the amount of five thousand dollars ($5,000).

(2) If the postsecondary proprietary educational institution's annual gross tuition charges assessed for the previous year are not more than five thousand dollars ($5,000), the institution shall secure a surety bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of that institution's annual gross tuition charges assessed for the previous year.

(3) If the postsecondary proprietary educational institution's annual gross tuition charges assessed for the previous year are more than five thousand dollars ($5,000) but less than fifty thousand dollars ($50,000), the institution shall secure a surety

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bond in the amount of five thousand dollars ($5,000).

(4) If the postsecondary proprietary educational institution's annual gross tuition charges assessed for the previous year are more than fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) but less than five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000), the institution shall secure a surety bond in the amount of ten percent (10%) of that institution's annual gross tuition charges assessed for the previous year.

(5) If the postsecondary proprietary educational institution's annual gross tuition charges assessed for the previous year are more than five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000), the institution shall secure a surety bond in the amount of fifty thousand dollars ($50,000).

(b) When a postsecondary proprietary educational institution is required to contribute to the fund and the fund has a balance on the date that the surety bond is due of at least:

(1) one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000), the commission shall reduce the penal sum of the surety bond described in subsection (a) by twenty percent (20%);

(2) two hundred thousand dollars ($200,000), the commission shall reduce the penal sum of the surety bond described in subsection (a) by forty percent (40%);

(3) three hundred thousand dollars ($300,000), the commission shall reduce the penal sum of the surety bond described in subsection (a) by sixty percent (60%);

(4) four hundred thousand dollars ($400,000), the commission shall reduce the penal sum of the surety bond described in subsection (a) by eighty percent (80%); or

(5) five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000), the commission shall reduce the penal sum of the surety bond described in subsection (a) by one hundred percent (100%).

(c) Except as provided in:

(1) ~~section 22~~ **section 21** of this chapter; and

(2) subsection (f);

and upon the fund achieving at least an initial five hundred thousand dollar ($500,000) balance, each postsecondary proprietary educational institution that contributes to the fund when the initial quarterly contribution as required under this chapter after the fund's establishment is not required to make contributions to the fund or submit a surety bond.

(d) The commission shall determine the number of quarterly contributions required for the fund to initially accumulate five hundred

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thousand dollars ($500,000).

(e) Except as provided in ~~section 22~~ **section 21** of this chapter and subsection (f), postsecondary proprietary educational institutions that begin making contributions to the fund after the initial quarterly contribution as required under this chapter: ~~are:~~

(1) **are** required to make contributions to the fund for the same number of quarters as determined by the commission under subsection (d); and

(2) after making the contributions to the fund as provided in subdivision (1) for the required number of quarters, may not be required to submit a surety bond.

(f) If after the fund acquires five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) the balance in the fund becomes less than one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000), all postsecondary proprietary educational institutions not required to make contributions to the fund as described in subsection (c) or (e) shall make contributions to the fund for the number of quarters necessary for the fund to accumulate five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000).

SECTION 314. IC 20-19-2-12, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. (a) The state board shall adopt nonbinding guidelines for the selection of school sites and the construction, alteration, and repair of school buildings. The nonbinding guidelines:

(1) must include preferred location and building practices for school corporations, including standards for enhancing health, energy efficiency, cost efficiency, and instructional efficacy; and

(2) may include guidelines concerning minimum acreage, cost per square foot, and per student square footage.

(b) The state board shall annually compile, in a document capable of easy revision, the:

(1) guidelines described in subsection (a); and

(2) rules of the:

(A) fire prevention and building safety commission; and

(B) state department of health;

that govern site selection and the construction, alteration, and repair of school buildings.

(c) Before submitting completed written plans and specifications for the selection of a school building site or the construction or alteration of a school building to the ~~state building commissioner~~ **division of fire and building safety** for issuance of a design release under IC 22-15-3, a school corporation shall:

(1) issue a public document that describes any material

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differences between the plans and specifications prepared by the school corporation and the guidelines adopted under subsection (a), as determined under the guidelines adopted by the state board; and

(2) after publishing a notice of the public hearing under IC 5-3-1, conduct a public hearing to receive public comment concerning the school corporation's plans and specifications.

After the public hearing and without conducting another public hearing under this subsection, the governing body may revise the plans and specifications or submit the plans and specifications to the ~~state building commissioner~~ **division of fire and building safety** without making changes. The school corporation shall revise the public document described in subdivision (1) to identify any changes in the plans and specifications after the public document's initial preparation.

SECTION 315. IC 20-19-4-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.226-2005, SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] Sec. 8. (a) As used in this section, "total estimated fiscal impact" means the annual fiscal impact of a recommendation on all affected entities after the recommendation is fully implemented under subsection (e).

(b) Subject to subsection (d), before providing a recommendation under section 7 of this chapter, the roundtable shall prepare an analysis of the total estimated fiscal impact that the recommendation will have on the state, political subdivisions, and ~~and~~ all private schools affected by the recommendation. In preparing an analysis under this subsection, the roundtable shall consider any applicable information submitted by entities affected by the recommendation. The analysis prepared under this subsection must be submitted with the recommendation under section 7 of this chapter.

(c) If the roundtable provides a recommendation under section 7 of this chapter and the total estimated fiscal impact analysis prepared under subsection (b) indicates that the impact of the recommendation will be at least five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000), the roundtable shall submit a copy of the recommendation and the fiscal analysis prepared under subsection (b) to the legislative services agency for review. This recommendation must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6. Not more than forty-five (45) days after receiving a copy of the recommendation and fiscal impact analysis, the legislative services agency shall prepare a fiscal impact statement concerning the effect that compliance with the recommendation will have on:

(1) the state; and

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(2) all:
(A) political subdivisions; and
(B) nonpublic schools;
affected by the proposed recommendation.

The fiscal impact statement must contain the direct total estimated fiscal impact of the recommendation and a determination concerning the extent to which the recommendation creates an unfunded mandate on the state, a political subdivision, or a nonpublic school affected by the proposed recommendation. The fiscal impact statement is a public document. The legislative services agency shall make the fiscal impact statement available to interested parties upon request. The roundtable shall provide the legislative services agency with the information necessary to prepare the fiscal impact statement. The legislative services agency may also receive and consider applicable information from the entities affected by the recommendation in preparation of the fiscal impact statement. The legislative services agency shall provide copies of its fiscal impact statement to each of the persons described in section 7 of this chapter.

(d) In determining whether a recommendation under this section has a total estimated fiscal impact of at least five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) on the affected entities, the roundtable shall consider the impact of the recommendation on any entity that already complies with the standards imposed by the recommendation on a voluntary basis, if applicable.

(e) For purposes of this section, a recommendation is fully implemented after:
(1) the conclusion of any phase-in period during which:
(A) the recommendation is gradually made to apply to certain affected entities; or
(B) the costs of the recommendation are gradually implemented; and
(2) the recommendation applies to all affected entities that will be affected by the recommendation.

In determining the total estimated fiscal impact of a recommendation under this section, the roundtable shall consider the annual fiscal impact on all affected entities beginning with the first twelve (12) month period or first school year after the recommendation is fully implemented, whichever applies. The roundtable may use actual or forecasted data and may consider the actual and anticipated effects of inflation and deflation. The roundtable shall describe any assumptions made and any data used in determining the total estimated fiscal impact of a recommendation under this section.

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SECTION 316. IC 20-23-6-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) If a petition is filed in one (1) or more of the school corporations protesting consolidation as provided in this chapter by the legal voters of any school corporation the governing body of which proposes to consolidate, the governing body in each school corporation in which a protest petition is filed shall certify the public question to each county election board of the county in which the school corporation is located. The county election board shall call an election of the voters of the school corporation to determine if a majority of the legal voters of the corporation is in favor of consolidating the school corporations.

(b) If a protest is filed in more than one (1) school corporation, the elections shall be held on the same day. Each county election board shall give notice by publication once each week for two (2) consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the school corporation. If a newspaper is not published in the:

(1) township;
(2) town; or
(3) city;

the notice shall be published in the nearest newspaper published in the county or counties, that on a day and at an hour to be named in the notice, the polls will be open at the usual voting places in the various precincts in the corporation for taking the vote of the legal voters upon whether the school corporation shall be consolidated with the other school corporations joining in the resolution.

(c) The public question shall be placed on the ballot in the form provided by IC 3-10-9-4 and must state: "Shall (insert name of school corporation) be consolidated with (insert names of other school corporations)?".

(d) Notice shall be given not later than thirty (30) days after the petition is filed. The election shall be held not less than ten (10) days or more than twenty (20) days after the last publication of the notice.

(e) The governing body of each school corporation in which an election is held is bound by the majority vote of those voting. However, if the election falls within a period of not more than six (6) months before a primary or general election, the election shall be held concurrently with the primary or general election.

(f) If a majority of those voting in any one (1) school corporation votes against the plan of consolidation, the plan fails. However, the failure does not prevent any or all the school corporations from taking further initial action for the consolidation of school corporations under

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this chapter.

(g) Whenever ~~(1)~~ twenty percent (20%) of the legal voters residing in any school corporation, ~~join~~ **jointly** with twenty percent (20%) of the legal voters in each of one (1) or more other school corporations:

~~(2)~~ **(1)** prepare a resolution; and

~~(3)~~ **(2)** petition the trustees of their respective school corporations to consolidate the school corporations, as set out in the resolution;

~~the~~ **each** governing body petitioned shall call the school election provided for in this chapter in ~~each of the~~ **its** school corporations.

(h) Notice of the election shall be published within thirty (30) days after the filing of the resolution with the governing body of the school corporation where it is last filed. However, if any of the petitioned governing bodies agrees to the consolidation as set out in the resolution, an election in that school corporation may not be required under the resolution.

(i) Notice as set out in this section shall be given, and a protest requesting an election may be filed in conformity with section 3 of this chapter.

SECTION 317. IC 20-23-6-17, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 17. (a) If the territory of a third class city is in a part of the territory of a consolidated school corporation, the third class city may lease to the consolidated school corporation a building and the property the building is on that is owned by the city for school purposes for a period of at least five (5) consecutive years.

(b) The common council of the city shall authorize a lease under subsection (a) and the authorization may be made:

(1) without appraisement;

(2) without compensation; or

(3) upon terms agreed upon.

(c) The possession and use of a specified part of property that a city leases under this section may be reserved by the city for city use. A lease made under this section shall be in the form of a deed or other written instrument that may be recorded. The grant must state that if the property is no longer needed for school purposes, the property reverts back to the city. A consolidated school corporation acting through its board of school trustees may accept a lease:

(1) without appraisement;

(2) **without** compensation; or

(3) upon agreed upon terms;

by its board of school trustees.

(d) This section, being necessary and intended to remedy

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deficiencies in laws existing on June 30, 1955, relating to powers of certain municipal corporations and of certain school corporations, does not repeal the provisions of those laws governing corporations but supplements and clarifies those laws, and to that end shall be liberally construed.

SECTION 318. IC 20-23-7-12, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. (a) As used in this section, "school township" means a school township of this state that:

(1) for the last full school semester immediately preceding the adoption of a preliminary resolution by the township trustee and the township board under subsection (f) or their adoption of a resolution of disapproval under subsection (g) had an average daily membership of at least six hundred (600) students in kindergarten through grade 12 in the public schools of the school township; or

(2) is part of a township in which there were more votes cast for township trustee outside the school township than inside the school township in the general election at which the trustee was elected and that preceded the adoption of the preliminary or disapproving resolution.

(b) As used in this section, "township trustee" means the township trustee of the township in which the school township is located.

(c) As used in this section, "township board" means the township board of the township in which the school township is located.

(d) As used in this section, "county" means the county in which the school township is located.

(e) In a school township, a metropolitan school district may be created by complying with this section. A metropolitan school district created under this section shall have the same boundaries as the school township. After a district has been created under this section, the school township that preceded the metropolitan school district is abolished. None of the procedures or provisions governing the creation of a metropolitan school district under another section of this chapter are applicable to the creation of a district under this section. After a district is created under this section, the metropolitan school district shall, except as otherwise provided in this section, be governed by and operate in accordance with this chapter governing the operation of a metropolitan school district as established under section 2 of this chapter.

(f) Except as provided in subsection (g), a metropolitan school district provided for in subsection (e) may be created in the following

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manner:

(1) The township trustee shall call a meeting of the township board. At the meeting the township trustee and a majority of the township board shall adopt a resolution that a metropolitan school district shall be created in the school township. The township trustee shall then give notice:

(A) by publication by two (2) insertions one (1) week apart in a newspaper of general circulation published in the school township; or

(B) if there is no newspaper as described in clause (A), in a newspaper of general circulation in the county;

of the adoption of the resolution setting forth the text of the resolution.

(2) On the thirtieth day after the date of the last publication of the notice under subdivision (1) and if a protest has not been filed, the township trustee and a majority of the township board shall confirm their preliminary resolution. If, however, on or before the twenty-ninth day after the date of the last publication of the notice, a number of registered voters of the school township, equal to five percent (5%) or more of the number of votes cast in the school township for secretary of state at the last preceding general election for that office, sign and file with the township trustee a petition requesting an election in the school township to determine whether or not a metropolitan school district must be created in the township in accordance with the preliminary resolution, then an election must be held as provided in subsection (h). The preliminary resolution and confirming resolution provided in this subsection shall both be adopted at a meeting of the township trustee and township board in which the township trustee and each member of the township board received or waived a written notice of the date, time, place, and purpose of the meeting. The resolution and the proof of service or waiver of the notice shall be made a part of the records of the township board.

(g) Except as provided in subsection (f), a metropolitan school district may also be created in the following manner:

(1) A number of registered voters of the school township, equal to five percent (5%) or more of the votes cast in the school township for secretary of state at the last general election for that office, shall sign and file with the township trustee a petition requesting the creation of a metropolitan school district under this section.

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(2) The township trustee and a majority of the township board shall, not more than ten (10) days after the filing of a petition:

(A) adopt a preliminary resolution that a metropolitan school district shall be created in the school township and proceed as provided in subsection (f); or

(B) adopt a resolution disapproving the creation of the district.

(3) If either the township trustee or a majority of township board members vote in favor of disapproving the resolution, an election must be held to determine whether or not a metropolitan school district shall be created in the school township in the same manner as is provided in subsection (f) if an election is requested by petition.

(h) An election required under subsection (f) or (g) may, at the option of the township trustee, be held either as a special election or in conjunction with a primary or general election to be held not more than one hundred twenty (120) days after the filing of a petition under subsection (f) or the adoption of the disapproving resolution under subsection (g). The township trustee shall certify the question to the county election board under IC 3-10-9-3 and give notice of an election:

(1) by two (2) insertions one (1) week apart in a newspaper of general circulation in the school township; or

(2) if a newspaper described in subdivision (1) does not exist, in a newspaper of general circulation published in the county.

The notice must provide that on a day and at an hour named in the notice, the polls shall be opened at the usual voting places in the various precincts in the school township for the purpose of taking the vote of the registered voters of the school township regarding whether a metropolitan school district shall be created in the township. The election shall be held not less than twenty (20) days and not more than thirty (30) days after the last publication of the notice unless a primary or general election will be conducted not more than six (6) months after the publication. In that case, the county election board shall place the public question on the ballot at the primary or general election. If the election is to be a special election, the township trustee shall give notice not more than thirty (30) days after the filing of the petition or the adoption of the disapproving resolution.

(i) On the day and time named in the notice, the polls shall be opened and the votes of the voters shall be taken regarding whether a metropolitan school district shall be created in the school township. IC 3 governs the election except as otherwise provided in this chapter. The county election board shall conduct the election. The public question shall be placed on the ballot in the form prescribed by

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IC 3-10-9-4 and must state "Shall a metropolitan school district under IC 20-23-7 be formed in the _____ School Township of _____ County, Indiana?". The name of the school township shall be inserted in the blanks.

(j) The votes cast in the election shall be canvassed at a place in the school township determined by the county election board. The certificate of the votes cast for and against the creation of a metropolitan school district shall be filed in the records of the township board and recorded with the county recorder. If the special election is not conducted at a primary or general election, the school township shall pay the expense of holding the election out of the special school fund that is appropriated for this purpose.

(k) A metropolitan school district shall, subject to section 7 of this chapter, be created on the thirtieth day after the date of the adoption of the confirming resolution under subsection (f) or an election held under subsection (h). If a public official fails to do the official's duty within the time prescribed in this section, the failure does not invalidate the proceedings taken under this section. An action to contest the validity of the creation of a metropolitan school district under this section or to enjoin the operation of a metropolitan school district may not be instituted later than the thirtieth day following the date of the adoption of the confirming resolution under subsection (f) or of the election held under subsection (h). Except as provided in this section, an election under this subsection may not be held sooner than twelve (12) months after another election held under subsection (h).

(l) A metropolitan school district is known as "The Metropolitan School District of _____ Township, _____ County, Indiana". The first metropolitan board of education in a metropolitan school district created under this section consists of five (5) members. The township trustee and the township board members are ex officio members of the first board, subject to the laws concerning length of their respective terms of office, manner of election or appointment, and the filling of vacancies applicable to their respective offices. The ex officio members serve without ~~other~~ compensation or reimbursement for expenses, **other** than that which they may receive from their respective offices. The township board shall, by a resolution recorded in its records, appoint the fifth member of the metropolitan board of education. The fifth member shall meet the qualifications of a member of a metropolitan board of education under this chapter, with the exception of the board member district requirements provided in sections 4, 5, and 8 of this chapter.

(m) A fifth board member shall be appointed not more than fifteen

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(15) days after the date of the adoption of the confirming resolution under subsection (f)(2) or an election held under subsection (h). The first board shall hold its first meeting not more than fifteen (15) days after the date when the fifth board member is appointed or elected, on a date established by the township board in the resolution in which it appoints the fifth board member. The first board shall serve until July 1 following the election of a metropolitan school board at the first primary election held more than sixty (60) days following the creation of the metropolitan school district.

(n) After the creation of a metropolitan school district under ~~with~~ this section, the president of the metropolitan school board of the district shall serve as a member of the county board of education and perform the duties on the county board of education that were previously performed by the township trustee. The metropolitan school board and superintendent of the district may call upon the assistance of and use the services provided by the county superintendent of schools. This subsection does not limit or take away the powers, rights, privileges, or duties of the metropolitan school district or the board or superintendent of the district provided in this chapter.

SECTION 319. IC 20-23-12-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.230-2005, SECTION 79, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) The six (6) members who are elected for a position on the governing body described under section 3(b) of this chapter are determined as follows:

(1) Each prospective candidate must file a nomination petition with the board of elections and registration not earlier than one hundred four (104) days and not later than noon seventy-four (74) days before the election at which the members are to be elected that includes the following information:

(A) The name of the prospective candidate.

(B) The district in which the prospective candidate resides.

(C) The signatures of at least one hundred (100) registered voters residing in the school corporation.

(D) The fact that the prospective candidate is running for a district position.

(E) A certification that the prospective candidate meets the qualifications for candidacy imposed by this chapter.

(2) Only eligible voters residing in the district may vote for a candidate.

(3) The candidate within each district who receives the greatest number of votes in the district is elected.

(b) The at-large member elected under section 3(c) of this

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chapter is determined as follows:

(1) Each prospective candidate must file a nomination petition with the clerk of the circuit court at least seventy-four (74) days before the election at which the at-large member is to be elected. The petition must include the following information:

(A) The name of the prospective candidate.

(B) The signatures of at least one hundred (100) registered voters residing within the school corporation.

(C) The fact that the prospective candidate is running for the at-large position on the governing body.

(D) A certification that the prospective candidate meets the qualifications for candidacy imposed by this chapter.

(2) Only eligible voters residing in the school corporation may vote for a candidate.

(3) The candidate who:

(A) runs for the at-large position on the governing body; and

(B) receives the greatest number of votes in the school corporation;

is elected to the at-large position.

SECTION 320. IC 20-23-14-6, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) With regard to ~~the~~ **a** district ~~positions~~ **position** referred to in section 3(b) of this chapter, the candidate who receives the greatest number of votes of all candidates ~~against whom the candidate runs~~ **for that position** is elected.

(b) With regard to the at-large positions referred to in section 3(c) of this chapter, the two (2) at-large candidates who receive the greatest number of votes of all at-large candidates are elected.

SECTION 321. IC 20-23-15-8, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. If a candidate runs for one (1) of the district positions on the governing body, as provided under section 6(b) of this chapter, the following apply:

(1) An individual who runs for one (1) of the district positions on the governing body must reside within that district.

(2) Upon filing an intention to run under this chapter, the candidate must specify that the candidate is running for a district position.

(3) Only eligible voters residing in the candidate's district may vote for the candidate.

(4) The candidate who receives the greatest number of votes of all

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candidates ~~against whom the candidate runs~~ **for the position** wins.

SECTION 322. IC 20-23-16-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) Reorganization plans approved before March 15, 1963, by the state board are void on March 15, 1963, except with respect to any community school corporation where:

(1) any plan has received a majority affirmative vote at an election;

(2) the plan has been certified by the clerk of the circuit court as being petitioned in by fifty-five percent (55%) or more of the registered voters for any such reorganized school corporation and notice has been published by the county committee under sections 1 and 6 of this chapter and IC 20-23-4-11 through IC 20-23-4-17, IC 20-23-4-20 through IC 20-23-4-23, IC 20-23-4-42, and IC 20-23-4-43; or

(3) the plan provides for a school corporation meeting the qualifications for formation of a community school corporation under IC 20-23-4-16.

(b) The county committee and other government officials shall, with respect to any such voided reorganization plan, take all actions necessary for the preparation of a comprehensive plan as if a prior plan had not been submitted, and within the time prescribed by ~~IC 20-23-4-5~~ **IC 20-23-4-11** through ~~IC 20-23-4-10~~ **IC 20-23-4-17** and ~~IC 20-23-16-1.~~ **section 1 of this chapter.**

SECTION 323. IC 20-23-16-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. With respect to a proposed community school corporation formed out of two (2) or more school corporations operating a joint high school that has an enrollment of at least six hundred (600) in grades 9 through 12 at the time of the adoption of a preliminary plan adopted under ~~IC 20-23-4-5~~ **IC 20-23-4-11** through ~~IC 20-23-4-10,~~ **IC 20-23-4-17,** IC 20-23-16-1, and IC 20-23-16-2, the preliminary plan or final plan adopted under ~~IC 20-23-4-5~~ **IC 20-23-4-11** through ~~IC 20-23-4-10,~~ **IC 20-23-4-17,** ~~IC 20-23-16-1,~~ **sections 1** and ~~IC 20-23-16-2~~ **2 of this chapter** may provide for a board of nine (9) members.

SECTION 324. IC 20-24-7-11, AS ADDED BY P.L.169-2005, SECTION 15, AND AS ADDED BY P.L.246-2005, SECTION 129, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 11. (a) If the United States Department of Education approves a new competition for states to

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receive matching funds for charter school facilities, the department shall pursue this federal funding.

(b) The department shall use the common school fund interest balance to provide state matching funds for the federal funding described in subsection (a) for the benefit of charter schools.

~~*(b)*~~ **(c)** *There is appropriated to the department* ~~*of education*~~ *ten million dollars ($10,000,000) from the common school fund interest balance in the state general fund to provide state matching funds for the federal funding described in subsection (a) for the benefit of charter schools, beginning July 1, 2005, and ending June 30, 2007.*

~~(c)~~ **(d)** The department shall develop guidelines and the state board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 necessary to implement this section.

SECTION 325. IC 20-25-3-4, AS ADDED BY P.L.119-2005, SECTION 32, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) The board consists of seven (7) members. A member:

(1) must be elected on a nonpartisan basis in primary elections held in the county as specified in this section; and

(2) serves a four (4) year term.

(b) Five (5) members shall be elected from the school board districts in which the members reside and two (2) members must be elected at large. Not more than two (2) of the members who serve on the board may reside in the same school board district.

(c) If a candidate runs for one (1) of the district positions on the board, only eligible voters residing in the candidate's district may vote for that candidate. If a person is a candidate for one (1) of the at-large positions, eligible voters from all the districts may vote for that candidate.

(d) If a candidate files to run for a position on the board, the candidate must specify whether the candidate is running for a district or an at-large position.

(e) A candidate who runs for a district or an at-large position wins if the candidate receives the greatest number of votes of all the candidates ~~against whom the candidate runs.~~ **for the position.**

(f) Districts shall be established within the school city by the state board. The districts must be drawn on the basis of precinct lines, and as nearly as practicable, of equal population with the population of the largest district not to exceed the population of the smallest district by more than five percent (5%). District lines must not cross precinct lines. The state board shall establish:

(1) balloting procedures for the election under IC 3; and

(2) other procedures required to implement this section.

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(g) A member of the board serves under section 3 of this chapter.

(h) In accordance with subsection (k), a vacancy in the board shall be filled temporarily by the board as soon as practicable after the vacancy occurs. The member chosen by the board to fill a vacancy holds office until the member's successor is elected and qualified. The successor shall be elected at the next regular school board election occurring after the date on which the vacancy occurs. The successor fills the vacancy for the remainder of the term.

(i) An individual elected to serve on the board begins the individual's term on July 1 of the year of the individual's election.

(j) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, each voter must cast a vote for a school board candidate or school board candidates by voting system or paper ballot. However, the same method used to cast votes for all other offices for which candidates have qualified to be on the election ballot must be used for the board offices.

(k) If a vacancy in the board exists because of the death of a member, the remaining members of the board shall meet and select an individual to fill the vacancy in accordance with subsection (h) after the secretary of the board receives notice of the death under IC 5-8-6.

SECTION 326. IC 20-25-10-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. The board shall:

(1) modify, develop, and publish the plan required under this chapter; and

(2) implement the modified plan;

in compliance with the timelines of IC 20-31-1, ~~IC 20-31-2,~~ IC 20-31-5, IC 20-31-6, IC 20-31-7, IC 20-31-8, IC 20-31-9, and IC 20-31-10.

SECTION 327. IC 20-25-10-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) The board shall annually assess and evaluate educational programs offered by the school city to determine:

(1) the relationship of the programs to improved student achievement; and

(2) the educational value of the programs in relation to cost.

(b) The board may obtain information from:

(1) educators in the schools offering a program;

(2) students participating in a program; and

(3) the parents of students participating in a program;

in preparing an assessment and evaluation under this section. The assessment must include the performance of the school's students in achieving student performance improvement levels under IC 20-31-1,

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~~IC 20-31-2,~~ IC 20-31-5, IC 20-31-6, IC 20-31-7, IC 20-31-8, IC 20-31-9, IC 20-31-10, and IC 20-25-11.

SECTION 328. IC 20-25-11-1, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. The board shall establish annual student performance improvement levels for each school that are not less rigorous than the student performance improvement levels under IC 20-31-1, ~~IC 20-31-2,~~ IC 20-31-5, IC 20-31-6, IC 20-31-7, IC 20-31-8, IC 20-31-9, and IC 20-31-10, including the following:

(1) For students:
(A) improvement in results on assessment tests and assessment programs;
(B) improvement in attendance rates; and
(C) improvement in progress toward graduation.

(2) For teachers:
(A) improvement in student results on assessment tests and assessment programs;
(B) improvement in the number and percentage of students achieving:
(i) state achievement standards; and
(ii) if applicable, performance levels set by the board;
on assessment tests;
(C) improvement in student progress toward graduation;
(D) improvement in student attendance rates for the school year;
(E) improvement in individual teacher attendance rates;
(F) improvement in:
(i) communication with parents; and
(ii) parental involvement in classroom and extracurricular activities; and
(G) other objectives developed by the board.

(3) For the school and school administrators:
(A) improvement in student results on assessment tests, totaled by class and grade;
(B) improvement in the number and percentage of students achieving:
(i) state achievement standards; and
(ii) if applicable, performance levels set by the board;
on assessment tests, totaled by class and grade;
(C) improvement in:
(i) student graduation rates; and
(ii) progress toward graduation;

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(D) improvement in student attendance rates;
(E) management of:
(i) general fund expenditures; and
(ii) total expenditures;
per student;
(F) improvement in teacher attendance rates; and
(G) other objectives developed by the board.

SECTION 329. IC 20-25-13-7, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. IC 20-28-6-4 and IC 20-28-6-5 apply to certificated employees in the school city. A teacher's students' performance improvement levels under the assessment tests and programs of IC 20-31-1, ~~IC 20-31-2,~~ IC 20-31-5, IC 20-31-6, IC 20-31-7, IC 20-31-8, IC 20-31-9, and IC 20-31-10 may be used as a factor, but not the only factor, to evaluate the performance of a teacher in the school city.

SECTION 330. IC 20-26-7-23, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 10, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 23. (a) Before the execution of a contract under sections 20 through 25 of this chapter, the plans and specifications for a building or buildings, which must be prepared by an architect or engineer registered to practice in Indiana, must be submitted to:

(1) the state department of health;
(2) the ~~state fire marshal~~ **division of fire and building safety; and**
~~(3) the state building commissioner; and~~
~~(4)~~ **(3)** any other agencies designated by law to pass on plans and specifications for school buildings.

(b) The plans and specifications must be approved by each agency in writing before the execution of the contract.

SECTION 331. IC 20-26-7-24, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 10, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 24. (a) After the completion of a school building or buildings erected or constructed under this chapter and before acceptance by the school corporation, the ~~state building commissioner~~ **division of fire and building safety** shall examine and inspect the building or buildings to determine if the requirements of the contract and the plans and specifications have been met.

(b) The ~~state building commissioner~~ **division of fire and building safety** shall immediately report to the school corporation any deviation from any requirements.

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(c) Before final payment and settlement is made, the ~~state building commissioner~~ **division of fire and building safety** must file with the governing body or officer an affidavit that all requirements of the contract and of the plans and specifications have been fully and faithfully met.

SECTION 332. IC 20-26-7-28, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 10, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 28. A report of the inspection described in section 27 of this chapter shall be made to the ~~office of the state fire marshal~~ **division of fire and building safety** before September 1 of each year. The report shall be made on forms prescribed and approved by the ~~office of the state fire marshal.~~ **division of fire and building safety.**

SECTION 333. IC 20-26-7-33, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 10, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 33. (a) The hearing described in ~~section 32~~ **section 31** of this chapter may be adjourned from day to day.

(b) When the hearing has concluded, the board of county commissioners and county council, acting jointly, shall determine from:

(1) the evidence submitted;

(2) an inspection of the building; or

(3) both the evidence and an inspection;

if the building should be condemned.

(c) If the board of county commissioners and county council, acting jointly, determine that the building should be condemned, the board and council shall fix a date when the order of the board and council becomes effective. An appeal from the finding and determination of the board of county commissioners may be made to the circuit or superior court of the county in the same manner as appeals are taken from the board of county commissioners.

SECTION 334. IC 20-26-11-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.89-2005, SECTION 4, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.231-2005, SECTION 33, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. (a) A student who is placed in a state licensed private or public health care facility, child care facility, or foster family home:

(1) by or with the consent of the division of family and children;

(2) by a court order; or

(3) by a child placing agency licensed by the division of family and children;

may attend school in the school corporation in which the home or facility is located. If the school corporation in which the home or

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facility is located is not the school corporation in which the student has legal settlement, the school corporation in which the student has legal settlement shall pay the transfer tuition of the student.

(b) A student who is placed in a state licensed private or public health care or child care facility by a parent may attend school in the school corporation in which the facility is located if:

(1) the placement is necessary for the student's physical or emotional health and well-being and, if the placement is in a health care facility, is recommended by a physician; and

(2) the placement is projected to be for not less than fourteen (14) consecutive calendar days or a total of twenty (20) calendar days.

The school corporation in which the student has legal settlement shall pay the transfer tuition of the student. The parent of the student shall notify the school corporation in which the facility is located and the school corporation of the student's legal settlement, if identifiable, of the placement. Not later than thirty (30) days after this notice, the school corporation of legal settlement shall either pay the transfer tuition of the transferred student or appeal the payment by notice to the department. The acceptance or notice of appeal by the school corporation must be given by certified mail to the parent or guardian of the student and any affected school corporation. In the case of a student who is not identified as disabled under IC 20-35, the state board shall make a determination on transfer tuition according to the procedures in section 15 of this chapter. In the case of a student who has been identified as disabled under IC 20-35, the determination on transfer tuition shall be made under this subsection and the procedures adopted by the state board under ~~*IC 20-35-2-1(c)(5).*~~ *IC 20-35-2-1(b)(5).*

(c) A student who is placed in:

(1) an institution operated by the division of disability, aging, and rehabilitative services or the division of mental health and addiction; or

(2) an institution, a public or private facility, a home, a group home, or an alternative family setting by the division of disability, aging, and rehabilitative services or the division of mental health and addiction;

may attend school in the school corporation in which the institution is located. The state shall pay the transfer tuition of the student, unless another entity is required to pay the transfer tuition as a result of a placement described in subsection (a) or (b) or another state is obligated to pay the transfer tuition.

(d) A student:

(1) who is placed in a facility, home, or institution described in

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subsection (a), (b), or (c); and

(2) for whom there is no other entity or person required to pay transfer tuition;

may attend school in the school corporation in which the facility, home, or institution is located. The department shall conduct an investigation and determine whether any other entity or person is required to pay transfer tuition. If the department determines that no other entity or person is required to pay transfer tuition, the state shall pay the transfer tuition for the student out of the funds appropriated for tuition support.

SECTION 335. IC 20-28-1-10, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 12, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. "Managing body" refers to:

(1) the governing body;

(2) the board of managers (as defined in ~~IC 20-35-5-1(a)(3)),~~ **IC 20-35-5-1(3));** or

(3) any other governing entity;

that has the responsibility for administering the school corporation's special education program or a special education cooperative organized under IC 20-35-5, IC 20-26-10, or IC 36-1-7.

SECTION 336. IC 20-29-5-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 13, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. (a) If an exclusive school employee organization is not determined under section 2 of this chapter, the determination of whether a school employee organization shall be the exclusive representative shall be determined under this section.

(b) A school employee organization may file a petition asserting that:

(1) twenty percent (20%) of the employees in an appropriate unit wish to be represented for collective bargaining by the school employee organization as exclusive representative; or

(2) the designated exclusive representative is no longer the representative of the majority of school employees in the unit.

(c) The school employer may file a petition asserting: ~~that:~~

(1) that one (1) or more school employee organizations have presented to the school employer a claim to be recognized as the exclusive representative in an appropriate unit; or

(2) that the school employer has good faith doubt that the previously certified school employee organization represents a majority of employees in the bargaining unit.

(d) Twenty percent (20%) of the school employees in a unit may file a petition asserting that the designated exclusive representative is no

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longer the representative of the majority of school employees in the unit.

(e) The board shall investigate a petition filed under subsection (b), (c), or (d). If the board has reasonable cause to believe that a question exists as to whether the designated exclusive representative or any school employee organization represents a majority of the school employees in a unit, the board shall provide for an appropriate hearing within thirty (30) days. In holding a hearing, the board is not required to comply with IC 4-21.5.

(f) If the board finds, based on the record of a hearing held under subsection (e), that a question of representation exists, the board shall direct an election by secret ballot in a unit the board determines to be appropriate.

(g) Certification as the exclusive representative may be granted only to a school employee organization that has been selected in a secret ballot election under subsection (f), by a majority of all the employees in an appropriate unit as their representative.

(h) An election described in subsection (f) may not be held in a bargaining unit if a valid election has been held in the preceding twenty-four (24) month period.

SECTION 337. IC 20-33-2-32, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 17, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 32. (a) In a county that has not been completely reorganized under IC 20-23-4, the governing body of each school corporation that constitutes a separate attendance district under ~~section 3~~ **section 33** of this chapter shall appoint an attendance officer. One (1) additional attendance officer may be appointed for every seven thousand five hundred (7,500) students in average daily attendance in the corporation.

(b) Whenever the governing body of a school corporation makes an appointment under this section, it shall appoint an individual nominated by the superintendent. However, the governing body may decline to appoint any nominee and require another nomination. The salary of each attendance officer appointed under this section shall be fixed by the governing body. In addition to salary, the officer is entitled to receive reimbursement for actual expenses necessary to properly perform the officer's duties. The salary and expenses of an attendance officer appointed under this section shall be paid by the treasurer of the county in which the officer serves, on a warrant signed by the county auditor. The county council shall appropriate, and the board of county commissioners shall allow, the funds necessary to make these payments. However, a warrant shall not be issued to an attendance

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officer until the attendance officer has filed an itemized statement with the county auditor. This statement shall show the time employed and expenses incurred. The superintendent shall approve the statement and certify that it is correct.

SECTION 338. IC 20-35-4-10, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 19, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. (a) For purposes of this section, "comprehensive plan" means a plan for educating the following:

(1) All children with disabilities that a school corporation is required to educate under sections 8 through 9 of this chapter.

(2) The additional children with disabilities that the school corporation elects to educate.

(b) For purposes of this section, "school corporation" includes the following:

(1) The Indiana School for the Blind board.

(2) The Indiana School for the Deaf board.

(c) The state board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 detailing the contents of the comprehensive plan. Each school corporation shall complete and submit to the state superintendent a comprehensive plan. School corporations operating cooperative or joint special education services may submit a single comprehensive plan. In addition, if a school corporation enters into a contractual agreement as permitted under section 9 of this chapter, the school corporation shall collaborate with the service provider in formulating the comprehensive plan.

(d) Notwithstanding the age limits set out in ~~IC 20-35-1-1,~~ **IC 20-35-1-2,** the state board may:

(1) conduct a program for the early identification of children with disabilities, between the ages of birth and less than twenty-two (22) years of age not served by the public schools or through a contractual agreement under section 9 of this chapter; and

(2) use agencies that serve children with disabilities other than the public schools.

(e) The state board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 requiring the:

(1) department of correction;

(2) state department of health;

(3) division of disability, aging, and rehabilitative services;

(4) Indiana School for the Blind board;

(5) Indiana School for the Deaf board; and

(6) division of mental health and addiction;

to submit to the state superintendent a plan for the provision of special education for children in programs administered by each respective agency who are entitled to a special education.

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(f) The state superintendent shall furnish professional consultant services to school corporations and the entities listed in subsection (e) to aid them in fulfilling the requirements of this section.

SECTION 339. IC 20-35-5-15, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 19, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 15. Meetings of the board of managers shall be held in accordance with ~~IC 20-26-4-2.~~ **IC 20-26-4-3.**

SECTION 340. IC 21-2-21-6, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 39, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) This section ~~applcs~~ **applies** if a governing body finds by written resolution that an emergency exists that requires the expenditure of money for a lawful corporate purpose that was not included in the school corporation's existing budget and tax levy.

(b) If a governing body makes a finding specified in subsection (a), the governing body may authorize the making of an emergency loan that may be evidenced by the issuance of the school corporation's note in the same manner and subject to the same procedure and restrictions as provided for the issuance of the school corporation's bonds, except as to purpose.

(c) If a governing body authorizes an emergency loan as specified in subsection (b), the governing body shall, at the time for making the next annual budget and tax levy for the school corporation, make a levy to the credit of the fund for which the expenditure is made sufficient to pay the debt and the interest on the debt. However, the interest on the loan may be paid from the debt service fund.

SECTION 341. IC 22-3-3-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) After an injury and during the period of claimed resulting disability or impairment, the employee, if so requested by the employee's employer or ordered by the ~~industrial~~ **worker's compensation** board, shall submit to an examination at reasonable times and places by a duly qualified physician or surgeon designated and paid by the employer or by order of the worker's compensation board. The employee shall have the right to have present at any such examination any duly qualified physician or surgeon provided and paid for by the employee. No fact communicated to, or otherwise learned by, any physician or surgeon who may have attended or examined the employee, or who may have been present at any examination, shall be privileged, either in the hearings provided for in IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6, or in any action at law brought to recover damages against any employer who is subject to the compensation provisions of IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6. If the

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employee refuses to submit to or in any way obstructs such examinations, the employee's right to compensation and his right to take or prosecute any proceedings under IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6 shall be suspended until such refusal or obstruction ceases. No compensation shall at any time be payable for the period of suspension unless in the opinion of the worker's compensation board the circumstances justified the refusal or obstruction. The employee must be served with a notice setting forth the consequences of the refusal under this subsection. The notice must be in a form prescribed by the board.

(b) Any employer requesting an examination of any employee residing within Indiana shall pay, in advance of the time fixed for the examination, sufficient money to defray the necessary expenses of travel by the most convenient means to and from the place of examination, and the cost of meals and lodging necessary during the travel. If the method of travel is by automobile, the mileage rate to be paid by the employer shall be the rate currently being paid by the state to its employees under the state travel policies and procedures established by the department of administration and approved by the budget agency. If such examination or travel to or from the place of examination causes any loss of working time on the part of the employee, the employer shall reimburse the employee for such loss of wages upon the basis of the employee's average daily wage. When any employee injured in Indiana moves outside Indiana, the travel expense and the cost of meals and lodging necessary during the travel payable under this section shall be paid from the point in Indiana nearest to the employee's then residence to the place of examination. No travel and other expense shall be paid for any travel and other expense required outside Indiana.

(c) A duly qualified physician or surgeon provided and paid for by the employee may be present at an examination if the employee so desires. In all cases where the examination is made by a physician or surgeon engaged by the employer and the injured employee has no physician or surgeon present at such examination, it shall be the duty of the physician or surgeon making the examination to deliver to the injured employee, or the employee's representative, a statement in writing of the conditions evidenced by such examination. The statement shall disclose all facts that are reported by such physician or surgeon to the employer. Such statement shall be furnished to the employee or the employee's representative, as soon as practicable, but not later than thirty (30) days before the time the case is set for hearing. The statement may be submitted by either party as evidence by that

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physician or surgeon at a hearing before the worker's compensation board if the statement meets the requirements of subsection (e). If such physician or surgeon fails or refuses to furnish the employee or the employee's representative with such statement thirty (30) days before the hearing, then the statement may not be submitted as evidence, and such physician or surgeon shall not be permitted to testify before the worker's compensation board as to any facts learned in such examination. All of the requirements of this subsection apply to all subsequent examinations requested by the employer.

(d) In all cases where an examination of an employee is made by a physician or surgeon engaged by the employee, and the employer has no physician or surgeon present at such examination, it shall be the duty of the physician or surgeon making the examination to deliver to the employer or the employer's representative a statement in writing of the conditions evidenced by such examination. The statement shall disclose all facts that are reported by such physician or surgeon to the employee. Such statement shall be furnished to the employer or the employer's representative as soon as practicable, but not later than thirty (30) days before the time the case is set for hearing. The statement may be submitted by either party as evidence by that physician or surgeon at a hearing before the worker's compensation board if the statement meets the requirements of subsection (e). If such physician or surgeon fails or refuses to furnish the employer, or the employer's representative, with such statement thirty (30) days before the hearing, then the statement may not be submitted as evidence, and such physician or surgeon shall not be permitted to testify before the ~~industrial~~ **worker's compensation** board as to any facts learned in such examination. All of the requirements of this subsection apply to all subsequent examinations made by a physician or surgeon engaged by the employee.

(e) All statements of physicians or surgeons required by this section, whether those engaged by employee or employer, shall contain the following information:

(1) The history of the injury, or claimed injury, as given by the patient.

(2) The diagnosis of the physician or surgeon concerning the patient's physical or mental condition.

(3) The opinion of the physician or surgeon concerning the causal relationship, if any, between the injury and the patient's physical or mental condition, including the physician's or surgeon's reasons for the opinion.

(4) The opinion of the physician or surgeon concerning whether

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the injury or claimed injury resulted in a disability or impairment and, if so, the opinion of the physician or surgeon concerning the extent of the disability or impairment and the reasons for the opinion.

(5) The original signature of the physician or surgeon.

Notwithstanding any hearsay objection, the worker's compensation board shall admit into evidence a statement that meets the requirements of this subsection unless the statement is ruled inadmissible on other grounds.

(f) Delivery of any statement required by this section may be made to the attorney or agent of the employer or employee and such action shall be construed as delivery to the employer or employee.

(g) Any party may object to a statement on the basis that the statement does not meet the requirements of subsection (e). The objecting party must give written notice to the party providing the statement and specify the basis for the objection. Notice of the objection must be given no later than twenty (20) days before the hearing. Failure to object as provided in this subsection precludes any further objection as to the adequacy of the statement under subsection (e).

(h) The employer upon proper application, or the worker's compensation board, shall have the right in any case of death to require an autopsy at the expense of the party requesting the same. If, after a hearing, the worker's compensation board orders an autopsy and such autopsy is refused by the surviving spouse or next of kin, then any claim for compensation on account of such death shall be suspended and abated during such refusal. The surviving spouse or dependent must be served with a notice setting forth the consequences of the refusal under this subsection. The notice must be in a form prescribed by the worker's compensation board. No autopsy, except one performed by or on the authority or order of the coroner in the discharge of the coroner's duties, shall be held in any case by any person, without notice first being given to the surviving spouse or next of kin, if they reside in Indiana or their whereabouts can reasonably be ascertained, of the time and place thereof, and reasonable time and opportunity given such surviving spouse or next of kin to have a representative or representatives present to witness same. However, if such notice is not given, all evidence obtained by such autopsy shall be suppressed on motion duly made to the worker's compensation board.

SECTION 342. IC 22-3-4-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. Except as provided in section 12.1 of this chapter, the fees of attorneys and

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physicians and charges of nurses and hospitals for services under IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6 shall be subject to the approval of the ~~industrial~~ **worker's compensation** board. When any claimant for compensation is represented by an attorney in the prosecution of his claim, the ~~industrial~~ **worker's compensation** board shall fix and state in the award, if compensation be awarded, the amount of the claimant's attorney's fees. The fee so fixed shall be binding upon both the claimant and his attorney, and the employer shall pay to the attorney out of the award the fee so fixed, and the receipt of the attorney therefor shall fully acquit the employer for an equal portion of the award; provided, that whenever the ~~industrial~~ **worker's compensation** board shall determine upon hearing of a claim that the employer has acted in bad faith in adjusting and settling said award, or whenever the ~~industrial~~ **worker's compensation** board shall determine upon hearing of a claim that the employer has not pursued the settlement of said claim with diligence, then the board shall, if compensation be awarded, fix the amount of the claimant's attorney's fees and such attorney fees shall be paid to the attorney and shall not be charged against the award to the claimant.

SECTION 343. IC 22-3-6-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.201-2005, SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. In IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6, unless the context otherwise requires:

(a) "Employer" includes the state and any political subdivision, any municipal corporation within the state, any individual or the legal representative of a deceased individual, firm, association, limited liability company, or corporation or the receiver or trustee of the same, using the services of another for pay. A parent corporation and its subsidiaries shall each be considered joint employers of the corporation's, the parent's, or the subsidiaries' employees for purposes of IC 22-3-2-6 and IC 22-3-3-31. Both a lessor and a lessee of employees shall each be considered joint employers of the employees provided by the lessor to the lessee for purposes of IC 22-3-2-6 and IC 22-3-3-31. If the employer is insured, the term includes the employer's insurer so far as applicable. However, the inclusion of an employer's insurer within this definition does not allow an employer's insurer to avoid payment for services rendered to an employee with the approval of the employer. The term also includes an employer that provides on-the-job training under the federal School to Work Opportunities Act (20 U.S.C. 6101 et seq.) to the extent set forth in IC 22-3-2-2.5. The term does not include a nonprofit corporation that is recognized as tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal

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Revenue Code (as defined in IC 6-3-1-11(a)) to the extent the corporation enters into an independent contractor agreement with a person for the performance of youth coaching services on a part-time basis.

(b) "Employee" means every person, including a minor, in the service of another, under any contract of hire or apprenticeship, written or implied, except one whose employment is both casual and not in the usual course of the trade, business, occupation, or profession of the employer.

(1) An executive officer elected or appointed and empowered in accordance with the charter and bylaws of a corporation, other than a municipal corporation or governmental subdivision or a charitable, religious, educational, or other nonprofit corporation, is an employee of the corporation under IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6.

(2) An executive officer of a municipal corporation or other governmental subdivision or of a charitable, religious, educational, or other nonprofit corporation may, notwithstanding any other provision of IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6, be brought within the coverage of its insurance contract by the corporation by specifically including the executive officer in the contract of insurance. The election to bring the executive officer within the coverage shall continue for the period the contract of insurance is in effect, and during this period, the executive officers thus brought within the coverage of the insurance contract are employees of the corporation under IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6.

(3) Any reference to an employee who has been injured, when the employee is dead, also includes the employee's legal representatives, dependents, and other persons to whom compensation may be payable.

(4) An owner of a sole proprietorship may elect to include the owner as an employee under IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6 if the owner is actually engaged in the proprietorship business. If the owner makes this election, the owner must serve upon the owner's insurance carrier and upon the board written notice of the election. No owner of a sole proprietorship may be considered an employee under IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6 until the notice has been received. If the owner of a sole proprietorship is an independent contractor in the construction trades and does not make the election provided under this subdivision, the owner must obtain an affidavit of exemption under IC 22-3-2-14.5.

(5) A partner in a partnership may elect to include the partner as

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an employee under IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6 if the partner is actually engaged in the partnership business. If a partner makes this election, the partner must serve upon the partner's insurance carrier and upon the board written notice of the election. No partner may be considered an employee under IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6 until the notice has been received. If a partner in a partnership is an independent contractor in the construction trades and does not make the election provided under this subdivision, the partner must obtain an affidavit of exemption under IC 22-3-2-14.5.

(6) Real estate professionals are not employees under IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6 if:

(A) they are licensed real estate agents;

(B) substantially all their remuneration is directly related to sales volume and not the number of hours worked; and

(C) they have written agreements with real estate brokers stating that they are not to be treated as employees for tax purposes.

(7) A person is an independent contractor in the construction trades and not an employee under IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6 if the person is an independent contractor under the guidelines of the United States Internal Revenue Service.

(8) An owner-operator that provides a motor vehicle and the services of a driver under a written contract that is subject to IC 8-2.1-24-23, 45 IAC 16-1-13, or ~~49 CFR 1057,~~ **49 CFR 376** to a motor carrier is not an employee of the motor carrier for purposes of IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6. The owner-operator may elect to be covered and have the owner-operator's drivers covered under a worker's compensation insurance policy or authorized self-insurance that insures the motor carrier if the owner-operator pays the premiums as requested by the motor carrier. An election by an owner-operator under this subdivision does not terminate the independent contractor status of the owner-operator for any purpose other than the purpose of this subdivision.

(9) A member or manager in a limited liability company may elect to include the member or manager as an employee under IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6 if the member or manager is actually engaged in the limited liability company business. If a member or manager makes this election, the member or manager must serve upon the member's or manager's insurance carrier and upon the board written notice of the election. A member or manager may

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not be considered an employee under IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6 until the notice has been received.

(10) An unpaid participant under the federal School to Work Opportunities Act (20 U.S.C. 6101 et seq.) is an employee to the extent set forth in IC 22-3-2-2.5.

(11) A person who enters into an independent contractor agreement with a nonprofit corporation that is recognized as tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (as defined in IC 6-3-1-11(a)) to perform youth coaching services on a part-time basis is not an employee for purposes of IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6.

(c) "Minor" means an individual who has not reached seventeen (17) years of age.

(1) Unless otherwise provided in this subsection, a minor employee shall be considered as being of full age for all purposes of IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6.

(2) If the employee is a minor who, at the time of the accident, is employed, required, suffered, or permitted to work in violation of IC 20-33-3-35, the amount of compensation and death benefits, as provided in IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6, shall be double the amount which would otherwise be recoverable. The insurance carrier shall be liable on its policy for one-half (1/2) of the compensation or benefits that may be payable on account of the injury or death of the minor, and the employer shall be liable for the other one-half (1/2) of the compensation or benefits. If the employee is a minor who is not less than sixteen (16) years of age and who has not reached seventeen (17) years of age and who at the time of the accident is employed, suffered, or permitted to work at any occupation which is not prohibited by law, this subdivision does not apply.

(3) A minor employee who, at the time of the accident, is a student performing services for an employer as part of an approved program under IC 20-37-2-7 shall be considered a full-time employee for the purpose of computing compensation for permanent impairment under IC 22-3-3-10. The average weekly wages for such a student shall be calculated as provided in subsection (d)(4).

(4) The rights and remedies granted in this subsection to a minor under IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6 on account of personal injury or death by accident shall exclude all rights and remedies of the minor, the minor's parents, or the minor's personal representatives, dependents, or next of kin at common law,

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statutory or otherwise, on account of the injury or death. This subsection does not apply to minors who have reached seventeen (17) years of age.

(d) "Average weekly wages" means the earnings of the injured employee in the employment in which the employee was working at the time of the injury during the period of fifty-two (52) weeks immediately preceding the date of injury, divided by fifty-two (52), except as follows:

(1) If the injured employee lost seven (7) or more calendar days during this period, although not in the same week, then the earnings for the remainder of the fifty-two (52) weeks shall be divided by the number of weeks and parts thereof remaining after the time lost has been deducted.

(2) Where the employment prior to the injury extended over a period of less than fifty-two (52) weeks, the method of dividing the earnings during that period by the number of weeks and parts thereof during which the employee earned wages shall be followed, if results just and fair to both parties will be obtained. Where by reason of the shortness of the time during which the employee has been in the employment of the employee's employer or of the casual nature or terms of the employment it is impracticable to compute the average weekly wages, as defined in this subsection, regard shall be had to the average weekly amount which during the fifty-two (52) weeks previous to the injury was being earned by a person in the same grade employed at the same work by the same employer or, if there is no person so employed, by a person in the same grade employed in the same class of employment in the same district.

(3) Wherever allowances of any character made to an employee in lieu of wages are a specified part of the wage contract, they shall be deemed a part of the employee's earnings.

(4) In computing the average weekly wages to be used in calculating an award for permanent impairment under IC 22-3-3-10 for a student employee in an approved training program under IC 20-37-2-7, the following formula shall be used. Calculate the product of:

(A) the student employee's hourly wage rate; multiplied by

(B) forty (40) hours.

The result obtained is the amount of the average weekly wages for the student employee.

(e) "Injury" and "personal injury" mean only injury by accident arising out of and in the course of the employment and do not include

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a disease in any form except as it results from the injury.

(f) "Billing review service" refers to a person or an entity that reviews a medical service provider's bills or statements for the purpose of determining pecuniary liability. The term includes an employer's worker's compensation insurance carrier if the insurance carrier performs such a review.

(g) "Billing review standard" means the data used by a billing review service to determine pecuniary liability.

(h) "Community" means a geographic service area based on zip code districts defined by the United States Postal Service according to the following groupings:

(1) The geographic service area served by zip codes with the first three (3) digits 463 and 464.

(2) The geographic service area served by zip codes with the first three (3) digits 465 and 466.

(3) The geographic service area served by zip codes with the first three (3) digits 467 and 468.

(4) The geographic service area served by zip codes with the first three (3) digits 469 and 479.

(5) The geographic service area served by zip codes with the first three (3) digits 460, 461 (except 46107), and 473.

(6) The geographic service area served by the 46107 zip code and zip codes with the first three (3) digits 462.

(7) The geographic service area served by zip codes with the first three (3) digits 470, 471, 472, 474, and 478.

(8) The geographic service area served by zip codes with the first three (3) digits 475, 476, and 477.

(i) "Medical service provider" refers to a person or an entity that provides medical services, treatment, or supplies to an employee under IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6.

(j) "Pecuniary liability" means the responsibility of an employer or the employer's insurance carrier for the payment of the charges for each specific service or product for human medical treatment provided under IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6 in a defined community, equal to or less than the charges made by medical service providers at the eightieth percentile in the same community for like services or products.

SECTION 344. IC 22-3-6-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. Every employer who has complied with the requirements of the provisions of Acts 1915, c.106, or the industrial board **or worker's compensation board** under that act, which compliance is effective as of May 21, 1929, shall to the same extent be deemed to have complied with the requirements

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of IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6.

SECTION 345. IC 22-3-7-18 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 18. (a) Any employer or employee or beneficiary who shall desire to have such compensation, or any unpaid part thereof, paid in a lump sum, may petition the worker's compensation board, asking that such compensation be so paid, and if, upon proper notice to the interested parties, and a proper showing made before the ~~industrial~~ **worker's compensation** board, or any member thereof, it appears to the best interest of the parties that such compensation be so paid, the ~~industrial~~ **worker's compensation** board may order the commutation of the compensation to an equivalent lump sum, which commutation shall be an amount which will equal the total sum of the probable future payments capitalized at their present value upon the basis of interest calculated at three percent (3%) per year with annual rests. In cases indicating complete disability, no petition for a commutation to a lump sum basis shall be entertained by the board until after the expiration of six (6) months from the date of the disablement.

(b) Whenever the worker's compensation board deems it expedient, any lump sum under this section shall be paid by the employer to some suitable person or corporation appointed by the circuit or superior court, as trustee, to administer the same for the benefit of the person entitled thereto, in the manner authorized by the court appointing such trustee. The receipt of such trustee for the amount so paid shall discharge the employer or anyone else who is liable therefor.

SECTION 346. IC 22-3-7-27 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 27. (a) If the employer and the employee or the employee's dependents disagree in regard to the compensation payable under this chapter, or, if they have reached such an agreement, which has been signed by them, filed with and approved by the worker's compensation board, and afterward disagree as to the continuance of payments under such agreement, or as to the period for which payments shall be made, or as to the amount to be paid, because of a change in conditions since the making of such agreement, either party may then make an application to the board for the determination of the matters in dispute. When compensation which is payable in accordance with an award or by agreement approved by the board is ordered paid in a lump sum by the board, no review shall be had as in this subsection mentioned.

(b) The application making claim for compensation filed with the worker's compensation board shall state the following:

(1) The approximate date of the last day of the last exposure and

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the approximate date of the disablement.

(2) The general nature and character of the illness or disease claimed.

(3) The name and address of the employer by whom employed on the last day of the last exposure, and if employed by any other employer after such last exposure and before disablement, the name and address of such other employer or employers.

(4) In case of death, the date and place of death.

(5) Amendments to applications making claim for compensation which relate to the same disablement or disablement resulting in death originally claimed upon may be allowed by the board in its discretion, and, in the exercise of such discretion, it may, in proper cases, order a trial de novo. Such amendment shall relate back to the date of the filing of the original application so amended.

(c) Upon the filing of such application, the board shall set the date of hearing, which shall be as early as practicable, and shall notify the parties, in the manner prescribed by the board, of the time and place of hearing. The hearing of all claims for compensation on account of occupational disease shall be held in the county in which the last exposure occurred or in any adjoining county, except when the parties consent to a hearing elsewhere. Claims assigned to an individual board member that are considered to be of an emergency nature by that board member, may be heard in any county within the board member's jurisdiction.

(d) The board by any or all of its members shall hear the parties at issue, their representatives, and witnesses, and shall determine the dispute in a summary manner. The award shall be filed with the record of proceedings, and a copy thereof shall immediately be sent by registered mail to each of the parties in dispute.

(e) If an application for review is made to the board within thirty (30) days from the date of the award made by less than all the members, the full board, if the first hearing was not held before the full board, shall review the evidence, or, if deemed advisable, hear the parties at issue, their representatives, and witnesses as soon as practicable, and shall make an award and file the same with the finding of the facts on which it is based and send a copy thereof to each of the parties in dispute, in like manner as specified in subsection (d).

(f) An award of the board by less than all of the members as provided in this section, if not reviewed as provided in this section, shall be final and conclusive. An award by the full board shall be conclusive and binding unless either party to the dispute, within thirty

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(30) days after receiving a copy of such award, appeals to the court of appeals under the same terms and conditions as govern appeals in ordinary civil actions. The court of appeals shall have jurisdiction to review all questions of law and of fact. The board, of its own motion, may certify questions of law to the court of appeals for its decision and determination. An assignment of errors that the award of the full board is contrary to law shall be sufficient to present both the sufficiency of the facts found to sustain the award and the sufficiency of the evidence to sustain the finding of facts. All such appeals and certified questions of law shall be submitted upon the date filed in the court of appeals, shall be advanced upon the docket of the court, and shall be determined at the earliest practicable date, without any extensions of time for filing briefs. An award of the full board affirmed on appeal, by the employer, shall be increased thereby five percent (5%), and by order of the court may be increased ten percent (10%).

(g) Upon order of the worker's compensation board made after five (5) days notice is given to the opposite party, any party in interest may file in the circuit or superior court of the county in which the disablement occurred a certified copy of the memorandum of agreement, approved by the board, or of an order or decision of the board, or of an award of the full board unappealed from, or of an award of the full board affirmed upon an appeal, whereupon the court shall render judgment in accordance therewith and notify the parties. Such judgment shall have the same effect and all proceedings in relation thereto shall thereafter be the same as though such judgment has been rendered in a suit duly heard and determined by the court. Any such judgment of such circuit or superior court, unappealed from or affirmed on appeal or modified in obedience to the mandate of the court of appeals, shall be modified to conform to any decision of the ~~industrial~~ **worker's compensation** board ending, diminishing, or increasing any weekly payment under the provisions of subsection (i) upon the presentation to it of a certified copy of such decision.

(h) In all proceedings before the worker's compensation board or in a court under the compensation provisions of this chapter, the costs shall be awarded and taxed as provided by law in ordinary civil actions in the circuit court.

(i) The power and jurisdiction of the worker's compensation board over each case shall be continuing, and, from time to time, it may, upon its own motion or upon the application of either party on account of a change in conditions, make such modification or change in the award ending, lessening, continuing, or extending the payments previously awarded, either by agreement or upon hearing, as it may deem just,

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subject to the maximum and minimum provided for in this chapter. When compensation which is payable in accordance with an award or settlement contract approved by the board is ordered paid in a lump sum by the board, no review shall be had as in this subsection mentioned. Upon making any such change, the board shall immediately send to each of the parties a copy of the modified award. No such modification shall affect the previous award as to any money paid thereunder. The board shall not make any such modification upon its own motion, nor shall any application therefor be filed by either party after the expiration of two (2) years from the last day for which compensation was paid under the original award made either by agreement or upon hearing, except that applications for increased permanent partial impairment are barred unless filed within one (1) year from the last day for which compensation was paid. The board may at any time correct any clerical error in any finding or award.

(j) The board or any member thereof may, upon the application of either party or upon its own motion, appoint a disinterested and duly qualified physician or surgeon to make any necessary medical examination of the employee and to testify in respect thereto. Such physician or surgeon shall be allowed traveling expenses and a reasonable fee, to be fixed by the board. The fees and expenses of such physician or surgeon shall be paid by the state only on special order of the board or a member thereof.

(k) The board or any member thereof may, upon the application of either party or upon its own motion, appoint a disinterested and duly qualified industrial hygienist, industrial engineer, industrial physician, or chemist to make any necessary investigation of the occupation in which the employee alleges that he was last exposed to the hazards of the occupational disease claimed upon, and testify with respect to the occupational disease health hazards found by such person or persons to exist in such occupation. Such person or persons shall be allowed traveling expenses and a reasonable fee, to be fixed by the board. The fees and expenses of such persons shall be paid by the state, only on special order of the board or a member thereof.

(l) Whenever any claimant misconceives the claimant's remedy and files an application for adjustment of a claim under IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6 and it is subsequently discovered, at any time before the final disposition of such cause, that the claim for injury or death which was the basis for such application should properly have been made under the provisions of this chapter, then the application so filed under IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6 may be amended in form or substance or both to assert a claim for such disability or death under the provisions

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of this chapter, and it shall be deemed to have been so filed as amended on the date of the original filing thereof, and such compensation may be awarded as is warranted by the whole evidence pursuant to the provisions of this chapter. When such amendment is submitted, further or additional evidence may be heard by the worker's compensation board when deemed necessary. Nothing in this section contained shall be construed to be or permit a waiver of any of the provisions of this chapter with reference to notice or time for filing a claim, but notice of filing of a claim, if given or done, shall be deemed to be a notice or filing of a claim under the provisions of this chapter if given or done within the time required in this chapter.

SECTION 347. IC 22-3-7-34, AS AMENDED BY P.L.201-2005, SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 34. (a) As used in this section, "person" does not include:

(1) an owner who contracts for performance of work on the owner's owner occupied residential property; or

(2) a nonprofit corporation that is recognized as tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (as defined in IC 6-3-1-11(a)) to the extent the corporation enters into an independent contractor agreement with a person for the performance of youth coaching services on a part-time basis.

(b) Every employer bound by the compensation provisions of this chapter, except the state, counties, townships, cities, towns, school cities, school towns, school townships, other municipal corporations, state institutions, state boards, and state commissions, shall insure the payment of compensation to the employer's employees and their dependents in the manner provided in this chapter, or procure from the worker's compensation board a certificate authorizing the employer to carry such risk without insurance. While that insurance or certificate remains in force, the employer, or those conducting the employer's business, and the employer's occupational disease insurance carrier shall be liable to any employee and the employee's dependents for disablement or death from occupational disease arising out of and in the course of employment only to the extent and in the manner specified in this chapter.

(c) Every employer who, by election, is bound by the compensation provisions of this chapter, except those exempted from the provisions by subsection (b), shall:

(1) insure and keep insured the employer's liability under this chapter in some corporation, association, or organization authorized to transact the business of worker's compensation

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insurance in this state; or

(2) furnish to the worker's compensation board satisfactory proof of the employer's financial ability to pay the compensation in the amount and manner and when due as provided for in this chapter.

In the latter case the board may require the deposit of an acceptable security, indemnity, or bond to secure the payment of compensation liabilities as they are incurred.

(d) Every employer required to carry insurance under this section shall file with the worker's compensation board in the form prescribed by it, within ten (10) days after the termination of the employer's insurance by expiration or cancellation, evidence of the employer's compliance with subsection (c) and other provisions relating to the insurance under this chapter. The venue of all criminal actions under this section lies in the county in which the employee was last exposed to the occupational disease causing disablement. The prosecuting attorney of the county shall prosecute all violations upon written request of the board. The violations shall be prosecuted in the name of the state.

(e) Whenever an employer has complied with subsection (c) relating to self-insurance, the worker's compensation board shall issue to the employer a certificate which shall remain in force for a period fixed by the board, but the board may, upon at least thirty (30) days notice, and a hearing to the employer, revoke the certificate, upon presentation of satisfactory evidence for the revocation. After the revocation, the board may grant a new certificate to the employer upon the employer's petition, and satisfactory proof of the employer's financial ability.

(f)(1) Subject to the approval of the worker's compensation board, any employer may enter into or continue any agreement with the employer's employees to provide a system of compensation, benefit, or insurance in lieu of the compensation and insurance provided by this chapter. A substitute system may not be approved unless it confers benefits upon employees and their dependents at least equivalent to the benefits provided by this chapter. It may not be approved if it requires contributions from the employees unless it confers benefits in addition to those provided under this chapter, which are at least commensurate with such contributions.

(f)(2) The substitute system may be terminated by the worker's compensation board on reasonable notice and hearing to the interested parties, if it appears that the same is not fairly administered or if its operation shall disclose latent defects threatening its solvency, or if for any substantial reason it fails to accomplish the purpose of this chapter. On termination, the board shall determine the proper distribution of all

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remaining assets, if any, subject to the right of any party in interest to take an appeal to the court of appeals.

(g)(1) No insurer shall enter into or issue any policy of insurance under this chapter until its policy form has been submitted to and approved by the worker's compensation board. The board shall not approve the policy form of any insurance company until the company shall file with it the certificate of the insurance commissioner showing that the company is authorized to transact the business of worker's compensation insurance in Indiana. The filing of a policy form by any insurance company or reciprocal insurance association with the board for approval constitutes on the part of the company or association a conclusive and unqualified acceptance of each of the compensation provisions of this chapter, and an agreement by it to be bound by the compensation provisions of this chapter.

(g)(2) All policies of insurance companies and of reciprocal insurance associations, insuring the payment of compensation under this chapter, shall be conclusively presumed to cover all the employees and the entire compensation liability of the insured under this chapter in all cases in which the last day of the exposure rendering the employer liable is within the effective period of such policy.

(g)(3) Any provision in any such policy attempting to limit or modify the liability of the company or association insuring the same shall be wholly void.

(g)(4) Every policy of any company or association shall be deemed to include the following provisions:

"(A) The insurer assumes in full all the obligations to pay physician's fees, nurse's charges, hospital supplies, burial expenses, compensation or death benefits imposed upon or accepted by the insured under this chapter.

(B) This policy is subject to the provisions of this chapter relative to the liability of the insured to pay physician's fees, nurse's charges, hospital services, hospital supplies, burial expenses, compensation or death benefits to and for such employees, the acceptance of such liability by the insured, the adjustment, trial and adjudication of claims for such physician's fees, nurse's charges, hospital services, hospital supplies, burial expenses, compensation, or death benefits.

(C) Between this insurer and the employee, notice to or knowledge of the occurrence of the disablement on the part of the insured (the employer) shall be notice or knowledge thereof, on the part of the insurer. The jurisdiction of the insured (the employer) for the purpose of this chapter is the jurisdiction of this

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insurer, and this insurer shall in all things be bound by and shall be subject to the awards, judgments and decrees rendered against the insured (the employer) under this chapter.

(D) This insurer will promptly pay to the person entitled to the same all benefits conferred by this chapter, including all physician's fees, nurse's charges, hospital services, hospital supplies, burial expenses, and all installments of compensation or death benefits that may be awarded or agreed upon under this chapter. The obligation of this insurer shall not be affected by any default of the insured (the employer) after disablement or by any default in giving of any notice required by this policy, or otherwise. This policy is a direct promise by this insurer to the person entitled to physician's fees, nurse's charges, fees for hospital services, charges for hospital services, charges for hospital supplies, charges for burial, compensation, or death benefits, and shall be enforceable in the name of the person.

(E) Any termination of this policy by cancellation shall not be effective as to employees of the insured covered hereby unless at least thirty (30) days prior to the taking effect of such cancellation, a written notice giving the date upon which such termination is to become effective has been received by the worker's compensation board of Indiana at its office in Indianapolis, Indiana.

(F) This policy shall automatically expire one (1) year from the effective date of the policy, unless the policy covers a period of three (3) years, in which event, it shall automatically expire three (3) years from the effective date of the policy. The termination either of a one (1) year or a three (3) year policy, is effective as to the employees of the insured covered by the policy.".

(g)(5) All claims for compensation, nurse's charges, hospital services, hospital supplies, physician's fees, or burial expenses may be made directly against either the employer or the insurer or both, and the award of the worker's compensation board may be made against either the employer or the insurer or both.

(g)(6) If any insurer shall fail to pay any final award or judgment (except during the pendency of an appeal) rendered against it, or its insured, or, if it shall fail to comply with this chapter, the worker's compensation board shall revoke the approval of its policy forms, and shall not accept any further proofs of insurance from it until it shall have paid the award or judgment or complied with this chapter, and shall have resubmitted its policy form and received the approval of the policy by the ~~industrial~~ **worker's compensation** board.

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(h) No policy of insurance covering the liability of an employer for worker's compensation shall be construed to cover the liability of the employer under this chapter for any occupational disease unless the liability is expressly accepted by the insurance carrier issuing the policy and is endorsed in that policy. The insurance or security in force to cover compensation liability under this chapter shall be separate from the insurance or security under IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6. Any insurance contract covering liability under either part of this article need not cover any liability under the other.

(i) For the purpose of complying with subsection (c), groups of employers are authorized to form mutual insurance associations or reciprocal or interinsurance exchanges subject to any reasonable conditions and restrictions fixed by the department of insurance. This subsection does not apply to mutual insurance associations and reciprocal or interinsurance exchanges formed and operating on or before January 1, 1991, which shall continue to operate subject to the provisions of this chapter and to such reasonable conditions and restrictions as may be fixed by the worker's compensation board.

(j) Membership in a mutual insurance association or a reciprocal or interinsurance exchange so proved, together with evidence of the payment of premiums due, is evidence of compliance with subsection (c).

(k) Any person bound under the compensation provisions of this chapter, contracting for the performance of any work exceeding one thousand dollars ($1,000) in value, in which the hazard of an occupational disease exists, by a contractor subject to the compensation provisions of this chapter without exacting from the contractor a certificate from the worker's compensation board showing that the contractor has complied with subsections (b), (c), and (d), shall be liable to the same extent as the contractor for compensation, physician's fees, hospital fees, nurse's charges, and burial expenses on account of the injury or death of any employee of such contractor, due to occupational disease arising out of and in the course of the performance of the work covered by such contract.

(l) Any contractor who sublets any contract for the performance of any work to a subcontractor subject to the compensation provisions of this chapter, without obtaining a certificate from the worker's compensation board showing that the subcontractor has complied with subsections (b), (c), and (d), is liable to the same extent as the subcontractor for the payment of compensation, physician's fees, hospital fees, nurse's charges, and burial expense on account of the injury or death of any employee of the subcontractor due to

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occupational disease arising out of and in the course of the performance of the work covered by the subcontract.

(m) A person paying compensation, physician's fees, hospital fees, nurse's charges, or burial expenses, under subsection (k) or (l), may recover the amount paid or to be paid from any person who would otherwise have been liable for the payment thereof and may, in addition, recover the litigation expenses and attorney's fees incurred in the action before the worker's compensation board as well as the litigation expenses and attorney's fees incurred in an action to collect the compensation, medical expenses, and burial expenses.

(n) Every claim filed with the worker's compensation board under this section shall be instituted against all parties liable for payment. The worker's compensation board, in an award under subsection (k), shall fix the order in which such parties shall be exhausted, beginning with the immediate employer and, in an award under subsection (l), shall determine whether the subcontractor has the financial ability to pay the compensation and medical expenses when due and, if not, shall order the contractor to pay the compensation and medical expenses.

SECTION 348. IC 22-4-11.5-10, AS ADDED BY P.L.98-2005, SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. (a) In addition to any other penalty imposed, a person **who violates this chapter** is subject to a civil penalty under this chapter.

(b) This subsection applies to a person who is an employer (as defined in IC 22-4-7). If an administrative law judge determines that a person is subject to a civil penalty under subsection (a), the administrative law judge shall assign an employer contribution rate equal to one (1) of the following as a civil penalty:

(1) The highest employer contribution rate assignable under this article for:

(A) the year in which the violation occurred; and

(B) the following three (3) years.

(2) An employer contribution rate of two percent (2%) of the employer's taxable wages (as defined in IC 22-4-4-2) for the year in which the violation occurred and the following three (3) years, if:

(A) an employer is already paying the highest employer contribution rate at the time of the violation; or

(B) the increase in the contribution rate described in subdivision (1) is less than two percent (2%).

(c) This subsection applies to a person who is not an employer (as defined in ~~IC 22-4-7-1 or IC 22-4-7-2).~~ **IC 22-4-7).** If an administrative

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law judge determines that a person is subject to a civil penalty under subsection (a), the administrative law judge shall assess a civil penalty of not more than five thousand dollars ($5,000).

(d) All civil penalties collected under this section shall be deposited in the unemployment insurance benefit fund established by IC 22-4-26-1.

SECTION 349. IC 22-4.1-12-4, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 42, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) The department shall establish the Indiana education employment program to:

(1) assist eligible students to successfully make the transition from school to the work or employment setting; and

(2) provide financial assistance to private industry councils (as defined in 29 U.S.C. 1501 et seq.) to involve school corporations that agree to jointly participate in the program.

(b) The goals of the program are as follows:

(1) **The program will** prevent withdrawal from school before graduation.

(2) **Eligible students, through the program, will:**

(A) attain high school graduation;

~~(3)~~ **(B)** receive job placement assistance;

~~(4)~~ **(C)** receive follow-up services for one (1) year after job placement; **and**

~~(5)~~ **(D)** receive recognition in the form of a pay raise or promotion within one (1) year ~~of~~ **after beginning** employment.

SECTION 350. IC 22-11-14-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The fire prevention and building safety commission may:

(1) adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 for the granting of permits for supervised public displays of fireworks by municipalities, fair associations, amusement parks, and other organizations or groups of individuals; and

(2) establish by rule the fee for the permit, which shall be paid into the fire and building services fund created under IC 22-12-6-1.

(b) The application for a permit required under subsection (a) must:

(1) name a competent operator who is to officiate at the display;

(2) set forth a brief resume of the operator's experience;

(3) be made in writing; and

(4) be received with the applicable fee by the ~~office of the state fire marshal~~ **division of fire and building safety** at least five (5)

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business days before the display.

No operator who has a prior conviction for violating this chapter may operate any display for one (1) year after the conviction.

(c) Every display shall be handled by a qualified operator approved by the chief of the fire department of the municipality in which the display is to be held. A display shall be ~~so~~ located, discharged, or fired as, in the opinion of:

(1) the chief of the fire department of the city or town in which the display is to be held; or

(2) the township fire chief or the fire chief of the municipality nearest the site proposed, in the case of a display to be held outside of the corporate limits of any city or town;

after proper inspection, is not hazardous to property or person.

(d) A permit granted under this section is not transferable.

(e) A denial of a permit by a municipality shall be issued in writing before the date of the display.

(f) A person who possesses, transports, or delivers fireworks, except as authorized under this section, commits a Class A misdemeanor.

SECTION 351. IC 22-11-14-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to prohibit:

(1) any resident wholesaler, manufacturer, importer, or distributor from selling:

(A) at wholesale fireworks not prohibited by this chapter; or

(B) fireworks not approved for sale in Indiana if they are to be shipped directly out of state within five (5) days of the date of sale;

(2) the use of fireworks by railroads or other transportation agencies for signal purposes or illumination;

(3) the sale or use of blank cartridges for:

(A) a show or theater;

(B) signal or ceremonial purposes in athletics or sports; or

(C) use by military organizations;

(4) the intrastate sale of fireworks not approved for sale in Indiana between interstate wholesalers;

(5) the possession, sale, or disposal of fireworks, incidental to the public display of Class B fireworks, by wholesalers or other persons who possess a permit to possess, store, and sell Class B explosives from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, ~~and~~ Firearms **and Explosives of the** United States Department of the Treasury; or

(6) the use of indoor pyrotechnics special effects material before

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an indoor or outdoor proximate audience.

(b) For the purposes of this section, a resident wholesaler, importer, or distributor, is a person who:

(1) is a resident of Indiana;

(2) possesses for resale common fireworks approved or not approved for sale in Indiana;

(3) is engaged in the interstate sale of common fireworks described in subdivision (2) as an essential part of a business that is located in a permanent structure and is open at least six (6) months each year;

(4) sells common fireworks described in subdivision (2) only to purchasers who provide a written and signed assurance that the fireworks are to be shipped out of Indiana within five (5) days of the date of sale; and

(5) has possession of a certificate of compliance issued by the state fire marshal under section 5 of this chapter.

(c) A purchaser may not provide a written and signed assurance that the fireworks purchased are to be shipped out of Indiana and then sell or use them in Indiana.

SECTION 352. IC 22-11-14.5-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. The fire prevention and building safety commission shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 and IC 22-13-2.5 to implement a statewide code concerning displays of indoor pyrotechnics. The rules:

(1) must require that a certificate of insurance be issued that provides general liability coverage of at least five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) for the injury or death of any number of persons in any one (1) occurrence and five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) for property damage in any one (1) occurrence by an intended display of indoor pyrotechnics arising from any acts of the operator of the display or the operator's agents, employees, or subcontractors;

(2) must require the person intending to present the display to give, at least twenty four (24) hours before the time of the display, written notice of the intended display to the chief of the responding fire department of the location proposed for the display of the indoor pyrotechnics and to include with the written notice a certification from the person intending to display the indoor pyrotechnics that the display will be made in accordance with:

(A) the rules adopted under this section; and

(B) any ordinance or resolution adopted under section 4 of this

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chapter;

(3) must include and adopt NFPA 1126, Standard for the Use of Pyrotechnics before a Proximate Audience, 2001 Edition, published by the National Fire Protection Association, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, Massachusetts ~~12269;~~ **02169;**

(4) must be amended to adopt any subsequent edition of NFPA Standard 1126, including addenda, within eighteen (18) months after the effective date of the subsequent edition; and

(5) may provide for amendments to NFPA Standard 1126 as a condition of the adoption under subdivisions (3) and (4).

SECTION 353. IC 22-12-2-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.22-2005, SECTION 34, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. **(a)** The governor shall appoint a member of the commission to be the commission's chair.

(b) The member appointed by the governor serves as the commission's chair at the governor's pleasure.

SECTION 354. IC 22-12-3-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The education board consists of eleven (11) voting members. The governor shall appoint nine (9) individuals as voting members of the education board, each to serve a term of four (4) years. The state fire marshal and the ~~executive~~ director of the ~~public safety institute~~ **department's division of preparedness and training** shall also serve as voting members of the education board.

(b) Each appointed member of the education board must be qualified by experience or education in the field of fire protection and related fields.

(c) Each appointed member of the education board must be a resident of Indiana.

(d) The education board must include the following appointed members:

(1) Two (2) individuals who are fire chiefs of a fire department.

(2) Two (2) individuals who are not fire chiefs but are officers of a fire department.

(3) Two (2) members of a fire department who are not officers of the fire department but have at least ten (10) years of fire protection service.

(4) Three (3) citizens who are not members of a fire department.

SECTION 355. IC 22-12-3-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. The ~~office of the state fire marshal~~ **division of fire and building safety** shall provide facilities and staff to carry out the responsibilities of the education

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board.

SECTION 356. IC 22-12-6-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) The fire and building services fund is established for the purpose of defraying the personal services, other operating expense, and capital outlay of the following:

(1) The department. ~~of fire and building services.~~

(2) The education board and the rules board.

(3) The commission.

(b) The fund shall be administered by the department. Money collected for deposit in the fund shall be deposited at least monthly with the treasurer of state.

(c) The treasurer of state shall deposit the following collected amounts in the fund:

(1) Fire insurance policy premium taxes assessed under section 5 of this chapter.

(2) Except as provided in section 6(d) of this chapter, all fees collected under this chapter.

(3) Any money not otherwise described in this subsection but collected by the ~~office of the state fire marshal or by the office of the state building commissioner.~~ **division of fire and building safety.**

(4) Any money not otherwise described in this subsection but collected by the department, commission, education board, or rules board and designated for distribution to the fund by statute or the executive director of the department.

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

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

SECTION 357. IC 22-12-6-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The statewide arson investigation financial assistance fund is established to provide money to:

(1) prosecuting attorneys;

(2) local police departments;

(3) the state police department;

(4) arson task forces; and

(5) fire departments that have arson investigating teams or arson task forces.

(b) The department shall administer the fund. The state fire marshal

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shall distribute the money from the fund in accordance with the rules adopted under IC 4-22-2 by the commission and the commissioner of insurance.

(c) The fund consists of money deposited in the fund by the executive director of the department. The department ~~the office of the state fire marshal, and the office of the state building commissioner~~ **and the division of fire and building safety** may accept gifts and grants from any source to be deposited in the fund and to be used for the purposes of this section.

(d) Money in the fund at the end of a **state** fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund.

SECTION 358. IC 22-12-6-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. (a) The statewide fire and building safety education fund is established to provide money to:

(1) local fire and building inspection departments for enrollment in education and training programs approved by the department; **and**

(2) the ~~office of the state building commissioner and the office of the state fire marshal~~ **division of fire and building safety** for:

(A) enrollment in education and training programs approved by the department; and

~~(3) the department for~~ **(B)** the sponsoring of training conferences.

(b) The department shall administer the fund. The ~~director of the division of education and information~~ **department** shall distribute money from the fund in accordance with the rules adopted under IC 4-22-2 by the commission.

(c) The fund consists of:

(1) money allocated under section 6(d) of this chapter; and

(2) fees collected under subsection (e).

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

(e) The department may charge a fee for a person's participation in a training conference. The department shall deposit the fees collected under this subsection in the fund. The department shall pay all expenses associated with training conferences out of the fund.

SECTION 359. IC 22-12-6-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 189, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. (a) This section does not apply to a nonpublic school (as defined in IC 20-18-2-12) or a school operated by a school corporation (as defined in IC 20-18-2-16).

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(b) The ~~office of the state fire marshal~~ **division of fire and building safety** shall charge an application fee set by rules adopted by the commission under IC 4-22-2 for amusement and entertainment permits issued under IC 22-14-3.

(c) The ~~office of the state fire marshal~~ **division of fire and building safety** shall collect an inspection fee set by rules adopted by the commission under IC 4-22-2 whenever the ~~office~~ **division** conducts an inspection for a special event endorsement under IC 22-14-3.

(d) Halls, gymnasiums, or places of assembly in which contests, drills, exhibitions, plays, displays, dances, concerts, or other types of amusement are held by colleges, universities, social or fraternal organizations, lodges, farmers organizations, societies, labor unions, trade associations, or churches are exempt from the fees charged or collected under subsections (b) and (c), unless rental fees are charged or collected.

(e) The fees set for applications or inspections under this section must be sufficient to pay all the direct and indirect costs of processing an application or performing an inspection for which the fee is set. In setting the fees, the commission may consider differences in the degree or complexity of the activity being performed for each fee.

SECTION 360. IC 22-12-6-15 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 15. (a) As used in this section, "credit card" means a bank card, debit card, charge card, prepaid card, or other similar device used for payment.

(b) In addition to other methods of payment allowed by law, the department may accept payment by credit card for certifications, licenses, and fees, and other amounts payable to the following:

(1) The department.

~~(2) The state emergency management agency.~~

~~(3)~~ **(2)** The ~~public safety institute.~~ **division of preparedness and training.**

~~(4)~~ **(3)** The fire prevention and building safety commission.

~~(5)~~ **(4)** The regulated amusement device safety board.

~~(6)~~ **(5)** The boiler and pressure vessel rules board.

~~(7)~~ **(6)** The Indiana emergency management, fire and building services, and public safety training foundation.

~~(8)~~ **(7)** The ~~office of the state fire marshal.~~ **division of fire and building safety.**

~~(9) The office of the state building commissioner.~~

(c) The department may enter into appropriate agreements with banks or other organizations authorized to do business in Indiana to enable the department to accept payment by credit card.

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(d) The department may recognize net amounts remitted by the bank or other organization as payment in full of amounts due the department.

(e) The department may pay any applicable credit card service charge or fee.

SECTION 361. IC 22-12-7-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) An emergency or other temporary order may be issued under IC 4-21.5-4 whenever the appropriate person under section 1 of this chapter determines that conduct or a condition of property:

(1) presents a clear and immediate hazard of death or serious bodily injury to any person other than a trespasser;

(2) is prohibited without a permit, registration, certification, release, authorization, variance, exemption, or other license required under IC 22-14 or IC 22-15 or another statute administered by a person described in section 1 of this chapter and the license has not been issued; or

(3) will conceal a violation of law.

(b) An emergency or other temporary order issued by an employee or agent of the ~~office of the state fire marshal~~ **division of fire and building safety** must be approved by the state fire marshal **or by the executive director of the department.**

~~(c) An emergency or other temporary order issued by an employee or agent of the office of the state building commissioner must be approved by the state building commissioner.~~

~~(d)~~ **(c)** An approval under subsection (b) ~~or (c)~~ may be orally communicated to the employee or agent issuing the order. However, the department shall maintain a written record of the approval.

SECTION 362. IC 22-13-2-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.44-2005, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The commission shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 and IC 22-13-2.5 to adopt a statewide code of fire safety laws and building laws.

(b) Before December 1, 2003, the commission shall adopt the most recent edition, including addenda, of the following national codes by rules under IC 4-22-2 and IC 22-13-2.5:

(1) ANSI A10.4 (Safety Requirements for Personnel Hoists).

(2) ASME A17.1 (Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators, an American National Standard).

(3) ASME A18.1 (Safety Standard for Platform Lifts and Stairway Chairlifts, American National Standard).

(4) ASME QEI-1 (Standard for the Qualification of Elevator Inspectors, an American National Standard).

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(5) The American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) Automated People Mover Standard 21.

(6) ANSI A90.1 Safety Code for Manlifts.

(c) Before July 1, 2006, the commission shall adopt the most recent edition, including addenda, of ASME A17.3 (Safety Code for Existing Elevators and Escalators, an American National Standard) by rules under IC 4-22-2 and IC 22-13-2.5.

(d) The commission shall adopt the subsequent edition of each national code, including addenda, to be adopted as provided under subsections (b) and (c) within eighteen (18) months after the effective date of the subsequent edition.

(e) The commission may amend the national codes as a condition of the adoption under subsections (b), (c), and (d).

(f) To the extent that the following sections of the International Fire Code, 2000 edition, as adopted by reference in 675 IAC 22-2.3-1, apply to tents or canopies in which cooking does not occur, the commission shall suspend enforcement of the following sections of the International Fire Code, 2000 edition, until the ~~office of the state fire marshal~~ **division of fire and building safety** recommends amendments to the commission under subsection (h) and the commission adopts rules under subsection (i) based on the recommendations:

(1) Section 2406.1 (675 IAC 22-2.3-233).

(2) Section 2406.2.

(3) Section 2406.3.

(g) To the extent that section 2403.2 of the International Fire Code, 2000 edition, as adopted by reference in 675 IAC 22-2.3-1, applies to a tent or canopy in which there is an open flame, the commission shall suspend enforcement of section 2403.2 until the ~~office of the state fire marshal~~ **division of fire and building safety** recommends amendments to section 2403.2 to the commission under subsection (h) and the commission adopts rules under subsection (i) based on the recommendations and amending section 2403.2.

(h) The ~~office of the state fire marshal~~ **division of fire and building safety** shall recommend amendments to the commission to the following sections of the International Fire Code, 2000 edition, as adopted by reference in 675 IAC 22-2.3-1:

(1) Section 2403.2.

(2) Section 2406.1 (675 IAC 22-2.3-233).

(3) Section 2406.2.

(4) Section 2406.3.

(i) After receiving and considering recommendations from the ~~office of the state fire marshal~~ **division of fire and building safety** under

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subsection (h), and using the procedure set forth in IC 4-22-2-38, the commission shall amend the following sections of the International Fire Code, 2000 edition, as adopted by reference in 675 IAC 22-2.3-1:

(1) Section 2403.2.

(2) Section 2406.1 (675 IAC 22-2.3-233).

(3) Section 2406.2.

(4) Section 2406.3.

SECTION 363. IC 22-13-2-13 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 13. (a) The commission may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement this article, IC 22-12, IC 22-14, and IC 22-15.

(b) Any power of the state fire marshal or the ~~state building commissioner~~ **division of fire and building safety** to adopt rules shall be exercised by the commission.

SECTION 364. IC 22-13-3-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) This section applies to the following laboratories:

(1) Analytical laboratories approved by the ~~office of the state fire marshal~~ **division of fire and building safety** under the alternative criteria established by the commission in its rules.

(2) Laboratories that are:

(A) operated by a college, university, school, or other educational entity for the purpose of instruction or research; and

(B) approved by the ~~office of the state fire marshal~~ **division of fire and building safety** under the alternative criteria established by the commission in the rules.

(b) The commission may:

(1) apply different rules to the manufacture of regulated explosives (as defined in IC 35-47.5-2-13) in a laboratory described in subsection (a) than apply to other places where regulated explosives (as defined in IC 35-47.5-2-13) are manufactured; and

(2) adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to exempt laboratories described in subsection (a) from the regulated explosive magazines permit requirement under IC 35-47.5-4.

SECTION 365. IC 22-13-4-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) This section applies to Class 1 structures that are partially or entirely located within the geographic area included in seismic zone 2A.

(b) As used in this section, "seismic zone 2A" refers to the geographic boundaries that comprise seismic zone 2A as established

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in the rules adopted by the commission.

(c) The commission shall adopt building rules under IC 4-22-2 that prohibit or limit occupancy or use of Class 1 structures that do not comply with the commission's rules governing structural resistance to earthquakes.

(d) The rules adopted under this section must cover essential buildings and public utility services:

(1) designated by the ~~state emergency management agency;~~ **department of homeland security;** and

(2) needed for disaster recovery operations.

(e) The rules adopted under this section may not apply to a Class 1 structure if construction of the structure began before July 1, 1993.

SECTION 366. IC 22-14-1-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.22-2005, SECTION 40, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. ~~"Office"~~ **"Division"** refers to the division of fire and building safety established by IC 10-19-7-1.

SECTION 367. IC 22-14-2-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The governor shall appoint a state fire marshal to direct the ~~office.~~ **division.** The state fire marshal serves at the pleasure of the governor.

(b) The state fire marshal must have:

(1) a recognized interest and knowledge in the areas of fire prevention and fire protection; and

(2) experience as an administrator.

(c) The state fire marshal shall serve as a full-time employee of the ~~office.~~ **division.**

SECTION 368. IC 22-14-2-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. **(a)** To carry out ~~the office's~~ **its** responsibilities, the ~~state fire marshal or a deputy fire marshal~~ **division** may:

~~(1) exercise the powers of a law enforcement officer to prevent fires and conduct arson investigations;~~

~~(2)~~ **(1)** enter and inspect any property, at a reasonable hour;

~~(3)~~ **(2)** issue and enforce administrative orders under IC 22-12-7 and apply for judicial orders under IC 22-12-7-13;

~~(4)~~ **(3)** direct a fire department to assist the ~~office~~ **division**;

~~(5)~~ **(4)** cooperate with law enforcement officers; and

~~(6)~~ **(5)** provide hazardous materials and counterterrorism:

(A) training;

(B) support; and

(C) response assistance.

(b) To carry out the state fire marshal's responsibility to

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conduct an investigation into the causes and circumstances surrounding a fire or an explosion, the state fire marshal or a division fire investigator authorized by the state fire marshal may:

(1) exercise the powers of a law enforcement officer to prevent fires and conduct arson investigations;

(2) direct a fire department to assist the state fire marshal or division fire investigator; and

(3) cooperate with law enforcement officers.

SECTION 369. IC 22-14-2-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) The ~~office~~ **division** shall carry out a program to provide public information concerning fire prevention and maintain data and statistics concerning fires and fire prevention activities.

(b) The ~~office~~ **division** shall provide a copy of the fire safety rules adopted by the commission to the chief of each fire department. The ~~office~~ **division** may exclude, from the rules distributed under this subsection, any text that is incorporated by reference into the rules published in the Indiana Administrative Code.

SECTION 370. IC 22-14-2-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) The ~~office~~ **division** shall develop programs to train fire department personnel and volunteers. The ~~office~~ **division** may develop these training programs in cooperation with any accredited educational institution or fire fighting association. The ~~office~~ **division** or the institution may conduct the programs.

(b) The programs under this section must cover the areas of fire prevention and firefighting.

(c) The ~~office~~ **division** shall establish inspection training requirements for members of volunteer fire companies and certify individuals who meet these requirements.

(d) The ~~office~~ **division** shall provide staff and meeting facilities to the education board to carry out section 7 of this chapter.

SECTION 371. IC 22-14-2-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. (a) Regardless of the extent of the investigation conducted by a fire department under IC 36-8-17-7, the ~~office~~ **state fire marshal or a division fire investigator authorized by the state fire marshal** may conduct an investigation into the causes and circumstances surrounding any fire or explosion.

(b) To carry out this section, the ~~office~~ **state fire marshal or a division fire investigator authorized by the state fire marshal** may:

(1) exercise its powers under section 4 of this chapter;

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(2) assist a prosecuting attorney with any criminal investigation;
(3) subpoena witnesses and order the production of books, documents, and other evidence;
(4) give oaths and affirmations;
(5) take depositions and conduct hearings;
(6) separate witnesses and otherwise regulate the course of proceedings; and
(7) obtain and secure evidence.

(c) Subpoenas, discovery orders, and protective orders issued under this section shall be enforced under IC 4-21.5-6-2.

(d) A person who is summoned and testifies under this section is entitled to receive a minimum salary per diem and a mileage allowance from the fire and building services fund. The budget agency shall set the amount of the per diem and mileage allowance.

(e) The state fire marshal and the **division fire** investigators ~~in the arson division of the office of~~ **authorized by** the state fire marshal have law enforcement authority at all times while discharging their duties under this section as employees of the department.

(f) The executive director of the ~~fire and building services~~ department **of homeland security** has law enforcement authority at all times while discharging the duties of the executive director under this section.

SECTION 372. IC 22-14-2-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. The ~~office~~ **division** shall review and may approve plans and specifications presented to the ~~office~~ **division** for a design release under IC 22-15-3 for compliance with the fire safety laws.

SECTION 373. IC 22-14-2-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. (a) The ~~office~~ **division** shall carry out a program to:

(1) enforce all fire safety laws and related variances and other orders; and
(2) protect the public from fire hazards.

(b) The ~~office~~ **division** shall carry out a program to investigate complaints.

~~(c) The office shall coordinate its enforcement program with the enforcement program conducted by the office of the state building commissioner under IC 22-15. The state fire marshal may authorize the office of the state building commissioner to carry out an enforcement function for the office.~~

SECTION 374. IC 22-14-2-11 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 11. The ~~office~~

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division shall carry out a program to periodically inspect structures and other property that are used by the state, a county, a city, a town, or a school corporation, including institutions where inmates are involuntarily detained. Inspections shall be conducted under the schedule specified by the ~~office~~ **division**. The ~~office~~ **division** may exclude a class of buildings or other property from inspection under this section, if the ~~office~~ **division** determines that the public interest will be served without inspection.

SECTION 375. IC 22-14-2-12, AS ADDED BY P.L.140-2005, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. Whenever a ~~member of the arson~~ division ~~of the office~~ **fire investigator** retires after at least twenty (20) years of service, the ~~office~~ **division** shall, in recognition of the ~~member's~~ **investigator's** service to the ~~office,~~ **division,** do the following:

(1) Allow the ~~member~~ **investigator** to retain the service weapon issued to the ~~member~~ **investigator** by the ~~office.~~ **division.**

(2) Issue the ~~member~~ **investigator** a badge that indicates the ~~member~~ **investigator** is a retired ~~member of the arson~~ division ~~of the office~~. **fire investigator.**

(3) Issue the ~~member~~ **investigator** an identification card that contains the following information:

(A) The name of the ~~office and the arson~~ division.

(B) The name of the ~~member.~~ **investigator.**

(C) The ~~member's~~ **investigator's** position title before the ~~member's~~ **investigator's** retirement.

(D) A statement that the ~~member~~ **investigator** is retired.

(E) A statement that the ~~member~~ **investigator** is authorized to retain the service weapon issued to the ~~member~~ **investigator** by the ~~office.~~ **division.**

SECTION 376. IC 22-14-3-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 190, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) Except as provided in subsection (c), this chapter does not apply to a nonpublic school (as defined in IC 20-18-2-12) or a school operated by a school corporation (as defined in IC 20-18-2-16).

(b) The ~~office~~ **division** shall carry out an inspection program to periodically inspect regulated places of amusement or entertainment. These inspections shall be conducted at least annually.

(c) A school that holds amusement or entertainment events shall be inspected at least one (1) time each year. The inspection may be performed by either the ~~office~~ **division** or the fire department that has jurisdiction over the school.

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(d) At the time of each annual inspection performed by the ~~office of the state fire marshal,~~ **division,** the ~~office~~ **division** shall provide a fire safety checklist to each school that holds amusement or entertainment events. Each ~~such~~ school shall be responsible for ensuring compliance with the items on the fire safety checklist for each amusement or entertainment event held at the school.

SECTION 377. IC 22-14-3-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The ~~office~~ **division** shall issue an amusement and entertainment permit to an applicant who qualifies under section 3 of this chapter.

(b) A permit issued under section 3 of this chapter expires December 31 in the year it is issued. The permit applies only to the place, maximum occupancy, and use specified in the permit.

SECTION 378. IC 22-14-3-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. To qualify for an amusement and entertainment permit, an applicant must:

(1) submit an application sworn or affirmed under penalties of perjury on forms provided by the ~~office~~ **division** upon request;

(2) provide:

(A) the applicant's full name and address;

(B) the full name and address of each of the applicant's partners (if the applicant is a partnership), members or managers, if any (if the applicant is a limited liability company), and principal officers (if the applicant is a corporation);

(C) an indication of whether the applicant is an owner, lessee, occupant, or agent for the place covered by the application;

(D) a description of the place covered by the application, including a description of every building and room covered by the application; and

(E) any information required under the commission's rules;

(3) demonstrate through an inspection that the place covered by the application complies with applicable fire safety laws; and

(4) pay the fee set under IC 22-12-6-7.

SECTION 379. IC 22-14-3-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) The ~~office~~ **division** may modify an amusement and entertainment permit with a special event endorsement that covers one (1) or more events not specified in the initial permit.

(b) To qualify for a special event endorsement, an applicant must:

(1) provide the information required by the commission;

(2) demonstrate through an inspection that the special events

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covered by the application will be conducted in compliance with applicable fire safety laws; and

(3) pay the inspection fee set under IC 22-12-6-7.

SECTION 380. IC 22-14-5-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) The firefighting and emergency equipment revolving loan fund is established. The ~~office~~ **division** shall administer the revolving fund. The revolving fund must be used for the purposes of:

(1) providing loans for the purchase of new or used firefighting and other emergency equipment or apparatus under this chapter; and

(2) paying the costs of administering this chapter.

(b) The revolving fund consists of:

(1) amounts appropriated by the general assembly;

(2) the repayment proceeds (including interest) of loans made from the revolving fund;

(3) donations, grants, and money received from any other source; and

(4) amounts that the department transfers to the revolving fund from the fire and building services fund.

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

(d) Money in the revolving fund at the end of the fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund.

(e) The revolving fund is subject to an annual audit by the state board of accounts. The revolving fund shall pay all costs of the audit.

SECTION 381. IC 22-14-5-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. The commission shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to do the following:

(1) Establish the policies and procedures to be used by the department in the administration of the revolving fund.

(2) Specify the information that must be submitted with a loan application.

(3) Adopt other rules under IC 4-22-2 that are needed to carry out this chapter.

(4) Establish a loan priority rating system.

(5) Prescribe the forms to be used by the ~~office~~ **division** in administering the revolving fund.

(6) Prescribe the persons authorized to execute loan documents on behalf of a qualified entity.

SECTION 382. IC 22-14-5-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS

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FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) The ~~office~~ **division** shall do the following:

(1) Review and approve or disapprove applications for loans from the revolving fund.

(2) Establish the terms of loans from the revolving fund.

(3) Manage the loans.

(b) The ~~office~~ **division** shall review applications for loans from the revolving fund on December 1 and June 1.

(c) A properly completed application for a loan from the revolving fund must be received by the ~~office~~ **division** not later than:

(1) November 16 for the application to be eligible for review on a December 1 review date; or

(2) May 17 for the application to be eligible for review on a June 1 review date.

(d) If the ~~office~~ **division** receives a loan application after a deadline for receiving loan applications set forth in subsection (c), the ~~office~~ **division** shall:

(1) retain the loan application; and

(2) review the application on the next review date.

SECTION 383. IC 22-14-5-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. The ~~office~~ **division** may enter into contracts that are necessary for the administration of this chapter, including contracts for the servicing of loans.

SECTION 384. IC 22-14-5-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. (a) The ~~office~~ **division** shall assign a loan priority rating to each loan application under this chapter.

(b) The loan priority rating must be assigned in conformity with criteria adopted by the commission. The rating that is assigned must reflect the relative need of the qualified entity for the loan.

(c) The ~~office~~ **division** shall make loans available to qualified entities in descending order beginning with the qualified entity with the highest loan priority rating.

SECTION 385. IC 22-14-5-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. A loan under this chapter is subject to the following conditions:

(1) The qualified entity may use the loan only for the purchase of new or used firefighting and other emergency equipment or apparatus, and legal and other incidental expenses that are directly related to acquiring the equipment or apparatus.

(2) The repayment period may not exceed seven (7) years.

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(3) The amount of the loan may not be less than ten thousand dollars ($10,000).

(4) The interest rate is to be set by the board of finance at a rate that is not more than two percent (2%) below the prime bank lending rate prevailing at the time the loan is approved.

(5) All interest reverts to the revolving fund created by this chapter.

(6) The loan must be repaid in installments, including interest on the unpaid balance of the loan.

(7) The repayment of principal may be deferred for a period not to exceed two (2) years.

(8) The repayment of the loan may be limited to a specified revenue source of the qualified entity. If the repayment is limited, the repayment:

(A) is not a general obligation of the qualified entity; and

(B) is payable solely from the specified revenue source.

(9) If prepayment of the loan is made, a penalty may not be charged.

(10) The ~~office~~ **division** shall have a security interest in the purchased firefighting or other emergency equipment or apparatus for the balance of the loan, accrued interest, penalties, and collection expenses.

(11) Any other conditions that the ~~office~~ **division** considers appropriate.

SECTION 386. IC 22-14-5-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. Notwithstanding any other law, the loan to a qualified entity under this section may be directly negotiated with the ~~office~~ **division** without public sale of bonds or other evidences of indebtedness of the qualified entity.

SECTION 387. IC 22-15-1-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.22-2005, SECTION 43, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. ~~"Office"~~ **"Division"** refers to the division of fire and building safety established by IC 10-19-7-1.

SECTION 388. IC 22-15-2-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. **(a)** To carry out the ~~office's~~ **division's** responsibilities, the ~~state building commissioner~~ **division** or an employee or another agent of the ~~office~~ **division** may:

(1) exercise any program of supervision that is approved by the commission, if the responsibility involves the administration or enforcement of a building law;

(2) enter and inspect any property, at a reasonable hour;

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(3) issue and enforce administrative orders under IC 22-12-7 and apply for judicial orders under IC 22-12-7-13; **and**

(4) cooperate with law enforcement officers and political subdivisions that have jurisdiction over a matter. ~~and~~

(b) To carry out the building law compliance officer's responsibilities, the building law compliance officer may ~~(5)~~ issue a written interpretation of any building law under IC 22-13-5.

SECTION 389. IC 22-15-2-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. ~~(a)~~ The ~~office~~ **division** shall carry out a program to enforce all laws described by one (1) or more of the following:

(1) Building laws and related variances and other orders that apply to Class 1 structures.

(2) Building laws and related variances and other orders that apply to industrialized building systems.

(3) Building laws and related variances and other orders that apply to mobile structures.

(4) Building laws, equipment laws, and related variances and other orders that apply to regulated lifting devices.

(5) Equipment laws and related variances and other orders.

~~(b) The office shall coordinate its enforcement program with the enforcement program conducted by the office of the state fire marshal under IC 22-14. The state building commissioner may authorize the office of the state fire marshal to carry out an enforcement function for the office.~~

SECTION 390. IC 22-15-3-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.22-2005, SECTION 45, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. To qualify for a design release under this section, an applicant must:

(1) demonstrate, through the submission of plans and specifications for the construction covered by the application, that the construction will comply with all applicable building laws and fire safety laws;

(2) pay the fees set under IC 22-12-6-6;

(3) have the plans and specifications:

(A) prepared by a registered architect or professional engineer who is:

(i) competent to design the construction covered by the application as determined by the ~~office;~~ **division;** and

(ii) registered under IC 25-4 or IC 25-31;

(B) include on each page of all drawings and the title page of all specifications the seal of the registered architect or

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professional engineer described by clause (A) or the person's technical or professional staff; and

(C) filed by the registered architect or professional engineer described by clause (A) or the person's technical or professional staff; and

(4) submit a certificate prepared on a form provided by the ~~office~~ **division** and sworn or affirmed under penalty of perjury by the registered architect or professional engineer described in subdivision (3)(A):

(A) providing an estimate of the cost of the construction covered by the application, its square footage, and any other information required under the rules of the commission;

(B) stating that the plans and specifications submitted for the application were prepared either by or under the immediate supervision of the person making the statement;

(C) stating that the plans and specifications submitted for the application provide for construction that will meet all building laws; and

(D) stating that the construction covered by the application will be subject to inspection at intervals appropriate to the stage of the construction by a registered architect or professional engineer identified in the statement for the purpose of determining in general if work is proceeding in accordance with the released plans and specifications.

SECTION 391. IC 22-15-3-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) This section does not authorize a variance from any rule adopted by the commission.

(b) The rules adopted by the commission do not prevent the use of:

(1) materials;

(2) methods of construction; or

(3) design procedures;

if they are not specifically prohibited in the rules and if they are approved under subsection (c).

(c) The state fire marshal and the ~~state building commissioner~~ **division** may, in the review of an application for a design release, consider as evidence of compliance with the rules adopted by the commission any evaluation report that:

(1) contains limitations, conditions, or standards for alternative materials, methods of construction, or design procedures; and

(2) is published by an independent, nationally recognized testing laboratory or other organization that is approved under the rules

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adopted by the commission.

SECTION 392. IC 22-15-3-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. Pending the completion of the review of an application, the ~~office~~ **division** may ~~with the approval of the office of the state fire marshal,~~ issue:

(1) a design release for part of the construction proposed in an application, if that part of the construction qualifies for release under this chapter; or

(2) a provisional release for any part of the construction proposed in an application, under the conditions specified by the ~~office.~~ **division.**

SECTION 393. IC 22-15-4-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.22-2005, SECTION 48, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) The ~~office~~ **division** shall certify an industrialized building system for use in Indiana to an applicant who qualifies under this section. If an applicant qualifies for certification under this section, the ~~office~~ **division** shall provide the applicant with a seal for the certified industrial building system.

(b) To qualify for a certification under this section, an applicant must:

(1) submit proof that the ~~office~~ **division** has issued a design release under IC 22-15-3 for the model or series of industrialized building systems being constructed;

(2) demonstrate, in an in-plant inspection, that the industrialized building system covered by the application has been constructed in conformity with all applicable building laws and fire safety laws; and

(3) pay the fee set by the commission under IC 22-12-6-6.

(c) The exemption under IC 22-13-4-2 applies to an industrialized building system certified under this section.

SECTION 394. IC 22-15-4-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.22-2005, SECTION 49, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The ~~office~~ **division** shall certify a mobile structure for sale and use in Indiana for an applicant who qualifies under this section. If an applicant qualifies for certification under this section, the ~~office~~ **division** shall provide the applicant with a seal for the certified mobile structure.

(b) To qualify for certification under this section, an applicant must:

(1) submit proof that the ~~office~~ **division** has issued a design release under IC 22-15-3 for the model or series of mobile structures being constructed;

(2) demonstrate, in an in-plant inspection, that the mobile

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structure covered by the application has been constructed in conformity with all applicable building laws and fire safety laws;

(3) certify in an affidavit that a seal provided by the ~~office~~ **division** will not be attached to a mobile structure that does not conform to the requirements adopted by the commission in its rules; and

(4) pay the fee set by the commission under IC 22-12-6-6.

(c) The exemption under IC 22-13-4-2 applies to a mobile structure certified under this chapter.

SECTION 395. IC 22-15-4-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. A person who offers to sell or sells a mobile structure that:

(1) was certified ~~by the office~~ under IC 9-8-1.5 (before its repeal on July 1, 1987) or **certified by the division under** section 2 or 4 of this chapter; and

(2) has been altered or converted in violation of a rule adopted by the commission;

commits a Class C infraction.

SECTION 396. IC 22-15-5-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) The ~~office~~ **division** shall issue a regulated lifting device installation or alteration permit to an applicant who qualifies under this section.

(b) To qualify for a permit under this section, an applicant must meet the following requirements:

(1) Demonstrate through the submission of complete plans, including:

(A) copies of specifications and accurately scaled and fully dimensioned plans showing the location of the installation in relation to the plans and elevation of the building;

(B) plans showing the location of the machine room and the equipment to be installed, relocated, or altered;

(C) plans showing the structural supporting members, including foundations; and

(D) a specification of all materials employed and loads to be supported or conveyed;

that the installation or alteration covered by the application will comply with all applicable equipment laws. All plans and specifications must be sufficiently complete to illustrate all details of construction and design.

(2) Pay the fee set under IC 22-12-6-6(a)(7).

(3) Be the holder of a current elevator contractor license, if applicable, as set forth under IC 22-15-5-7.

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(c) A copy of the permit shall be kept at the construction site at all times while the work is in progress.

(d) The regulated lifting device must be installed or altered in compliance with:

(1) applicable codes; and

(2) the details of the application, plans, specifications, and conditions of the permit.

(e) The regulated lifting device must be installed or altered under the direction and control of a licensed contractor. The elevator contractor does not have to be present at the site.

(f) The responsibilities of the ~~office~~ **division** under this section may be carried out by a political subdivision that is approved by the commission under IC 22-13-2-10.

SECTION 397. IC 22-15-5-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. (a) All regulated lifting devices shall be registered under this section.

(b) The ~~office~~ **division** shall issue a registration for a regulated lifting device to an applicant who qualifies under this section.

(c) To register a regulated lifting device under this section, an applicant must submit, on a form approved by the ~~office,~~ **division,** the following information:

(1) Type, rated load and speed, name of manufacturer, location, and the nature of the use of the regulated lifting device.

(2) Any information required under the rules adopted by the commission.

SECTION 398. IC 22-15-5-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) The ~~office~~ **division** shall carry out a program for the periodic inspection of regulated lifting devices being operated in Indiana. A regulated lifting device may not be operated without an operating certificate that covers the operation of the regulated lifting device.

(b) A permit issued under this section expires on the earlier of:

(1) one (1) year after issuance; or

(2) when the regulated lifting device is altered.

(c) After a regulated lifting device has been installed or altered, an applicant shall apply for an initial operating certificate. The ~~office~~ **division** shall issue an initial operating certificate for a regulated lifting device if:

(1) the applicant demonstrates:

(A) through an acceptance inspection made by an elevator inspector licensed under IC 22-15-5-11 that the regulated lifting device covered by the application complies with the

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laws governing its construction, repair, maintenance, and operation; and

(B) that the applicant has paid the fee set under IC 22-12-6-6(a)(7); and

(2) the ~~office~~ **division** verifies, through an inspection, that the regulated lifting device complies with the laws governing the construction, repair, maintenance, and operation of the regulated lifting device.

(d) The ~~office~~ **division** shall issue a renewal operating certificate if the applicant:

(1) demonstrates through the completion of applicable safety tests that the regulated lifting device complies with the laws governing the construction, repair, maintenance, and operation of the regulated lifting device; and

(2) has paid the fee set under IC 22-12-6-6(a)(7).

(e) The ~~office~~ **division** may issue a temporary operating permit to an applicant under this section who does not comply with subsection (c)(1)(A) for a new or altered regulated lifting device or subsection (d)(1) for an existing unaltered regulated lifting device. The applicant must pay the fee set under IC 22-12-6-6(a)(7) to qualify for the temporary operating permit. Except as provided in subsection (f), the permit, including all renewal periods, is limited to sixty (60) days.

(f) The ~~state building commissioner~~ **division** may renew a temporary operating permit issued under subsection (e) for thirty (30) day periods during the construction of a building if the regulated lifting device is used for the transportation of construction personnel, tools, and materials.

(g) The responsibilities of the ~~office~~ **division** under this section may be carried out by a political subdivision that is approved by the commission under IC 22-13-2-10.

(h) A copy of the operating certificate shall be displayed in or on each regulated lifting device or in an associated machine room.

(i) A licensed elevator mechanic shall perform the maintenance on a regulated lifting device.

SECTION 399. IC 22-15-5-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) The following definitions apply to sections 7 through 16 of this chapter:

(1) "Competency examination" means an examination that thoroughly tests the scope of the knowledge and skill of the applicant for the license.

(2) "Educational institution" has the meaning set forth in IC 20-12-0.5-1.

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(3) "Elevator apprentice" means an individual who works under the direct supervision of a licensed elevator mechanic. The term includes an individual commonly known as an elevator helper while working under the direct supervision of a licensed elevator mechanic.

(4) "Elevator contractor" means a person who alone or with other persons, constructs, repairs, alters, remodels, adds to, subtracts from, or improves a regulated lifting device and who is responsible for substantially all the regulated lifting devices within the entire project, or who fabricates elevator lifting devices substantially completed and ready for installation.

(5) "Elevator inspector" means an individual who conducts the acceptance inspection of a regulated lifting device required by section 4(c)(1)(A) of this chapter.

(6) "Elevator mechanic" means an individual who engages in the construction, reconstruction, alteration, maintenance, mechanical, or electrical work or adjustments of a regulated lifting device.

(7) "License" means a certificate issued by the department that confers upon the holder the privilege to act as an elevator contractor, elevator inspector, or elevator mechanic.

(8) "Licensing program" means the program for licensing elevator contractors, elevator inspectors, and elevator mechanics established under this section and sections 7 through 16 of this chapter.

(9) "Municipality" has the meaning set forth in IC 36-1-2-11.

(10) "Person" means:

(A) a natural person;

(B) the partners or members of a partnership or a limited partnership;

(C) an educational institution; or

(D) a corporation or the officers, directors, and employees of the corporation.

(11) "Practitioner" means a person that holds:

(A) an unlimited license;

(B) a limited or probationary license;

(C) a temporary license;

(D) an emergency license; or

(E) an inactive license.

(b) The commission and the department shall establish a program to license elevator contractors, elevator mechanics, and elevator inspectors.

(c) The department shall issue a license as an elevator contractor, an

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elevator mechanic, or an elevator inspector to a person who qualifies and complies with the provisions of the licensing program. A person who receives a license under this chapter is subject to the supervision and control of the department.

(d) The department may contract with public and private institutions, agencies, businesses, and organizations to implement all or part of its duties established under this chapter.

(e) The commission may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement the licensing program.

SECTION 400. IC 22-15-5-14 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 14. (a) This section does not apply to the following:

(1) An individual employed by the following:

(A) The state.

(B) A county.

(C) A municipality.

(D) An educational institution.

(2) An educational institution.

(b) The department may not issue an elevator inspector or elevator contractor license until the applicant has filed with the department a certificate of insurance indicating that the applicant has liability insurance:

(1) in effect with an insurer that is authorized to write insurance in Indiana; and

(2) that provides general liability coverage to a limit of at least:

(A) one million dollars ($1,000,000) for the injury or death of any number of persons in any one (1) occurrence; and

(B) five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) for property damage in any one (1) occurrence.

(c) An insurance policy required under this section may include a deductible clause if the clause provides that any settlement made by the insurance company with an injured person or a personal representative must be paid as though the deductible clause did not apply.

(d) An insurance policy required under this section must provide by the policy's original terms or an endorsement that the insurer may not cancel the policy without:

(1) thirty (30) days written notice; and

(2) a complete report of the reasons for the cancellation to the ~~office.~~ **division.**

(e) An insurance policy required under this section must provide by the policy's original terms or an endorsement that the insurer shall report to the department within twenty-four (24) hours after the insurer

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pays a claim or reserves any amount to pay an anticipated claim that reduces the liability coverage below the amounts established in this section.

(f) If an insurance policy required under this section:

(1) is canceled during the policy's term;

(2) lapses for any reason; or

(3) has the policy's coverage fall below the required amount;

the license holder shall replace the policy with another policy that complies with this section.

(g) If a license holder fails to file a certificate of insurance for new or replacement insurance, the license holder:

(1) must cease all operations under the license immediately; and

(2) may not conduct further operations until the license holder receives the approval of the department to resume operations after the license holder complies with the requirements of this section.

SECTION 401. IC 22-15-6-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The ~~office~~ **division** shall conduct a program of periodic inspections of regulated boilers and pressure vessels.

(b) The ~~office~~ **division** or a boiler and pressure vessel inspector acting under section 4 of this chapter shall issue a regulated boiler and pressure vessel operating permit to an applicant who qualifies under this section.

(c) Except as provided in subsection (f), a permit issued under this section expires one (1) year after it is issued. The permit terminates if it was issued by an insurance company acting under section 4 of this chapter and the applicant ceases to insure the boiler or pressure vessel covered by the permit against loss by explosion with an insurance company authorized to do business in Indiana.

(d) To qualify for a permit or to renew a permit under this section, an applicant must do the following:

(1) Demonstrate through an inspection that the regulated boiler or pressure vessel covered by the application complies with the rules adopted by the rules board.

(2) Pay the fee set under IC 22-12-6-6(a)(8).

(e) After June 30, 2004, an inspection under subsection (d)(2) shall be conducted as follows:

(1) An inspection for an initial permit shall be conducted by:

(A) the ~~office,~~ **division;** or

(B) an owner or user inspection agency.

(2) An inspection for a renewal permit shall be conducted by one (1) of the following:

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(A) An insurance company inspection agency, if the vessel is insured under a boiler and pressure vessel insurance policy and the renewal inspection is not conducted by an owner or user inspection agency.

(B) An owner or user inspection agency.

(C) The ~~office,~~ **division,** if the owner or user of a vessel is not licensed as an owner or user inspection agency and the vessel is not insured under a boiler and pressure vessel insurance policy.

(f) The rules board may, by rule adopted under IC 4-22-2, specify a period between inspections of more than one (1) year. However, the rules board may not set an inspection period of greater than five (5) years for regulated pressure vessels or steam generating equipment that is an integral part of a continuous processing unit.

SECTION 402. IC 22-15-6-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) As used in this chapter, "inspection agency" means:

(1) an insurance company inspection agency; or

(2) an owner or user inspection agency;

licensed under section 6 of this chapter.

(b) A boiler and pressure vessel inspector licensed under section 5 of this chapter and employed by an inspection agency may perform any of the following:

(1) An inspection required by section 3 of this chapter.

(2) The issuance of a permit under section 3 of this chapter.

(3) The issuance of an appropriate order under IC 22-12-7 when an equipment law has been violated.

(c) The authority of an inspector acting under this chapter is limited to enforcement related to regulated boilers or pressure vessels insured, owned, or operated by the inspection agency employing the inspector.

(d) Unless an annual report is substituted under subsection (e), an inspection agency shall, within thirty (30) days after the completion of an inspection, submit to the ~~office~~ **division** the report required by the rules board. In addition to any other information required by the rules board, the inspector conducting the inspection shall cite on the report any violation of the equipment law applicable to the regulated boiler or pressure vessel.

(e) In the case of boilers or pressure vessels inspected by an owner or user inspection agency, an annual report filed on or before ~~such~~ **the** annual date as the rules board may prescribe for each report may be substituted. An annual report of **an** owner or user inspection agency must list, by number and abbreviated description necessary for

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identification, each boiler and pressure vessel inspected during the covered period, the date of the last inspection of each unit, and for each pressure vessel the approximate date for its next inspection under the rules of the rules board. Each annual report of an owner or user inspection must also contain the certificate of a professional engineer registered under IC 25-31 and having supervision over the inspections reported, swearing or affirming under penalty of perjury that each inspection was conducted in conformity with the equipment laws.

(f) An owner or user inspection agency shall pay the fee set under IC 22-12-6 with a report under subsection (e).

(g) In addition to the reports required by subsections (d) and (e), an owner, a user, or an inspection agency shall immediately notify the ~~office~~ **division** when an incident occurs to render a boiler or pressure vessel inoperative.

(h) An inspection agency, an owner, or a user that violates this section is subject to a disciplinary action under IC 22-12-7.

SECTION 403. IC 22-15-6-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) The ~~office~~ **division** shall issue a boiler and pressure vessel inspector license to an applicant who qualifies under this section.

(b) To qualify for a license under this section an applicant must:

(1) meet the qualifications set by the rules board in its rules;

(2) pass an examination approved by the rules board and conducted, supervised, and graded as prescribed by the rules board; and

(3) pay the fee set under IC 22-12-6-6(a)(9).

(c) The rules board may exempt an applicant from any part of the examination required by subsection (b) if the applicant has:

(1) a boiler and pressure vessel inspector's license issued by another state with qualifications substantially equal to the qualifications for a license under this section; or

(2) a commission as a boiler and pressure vessel inspector issued by the National Board of Boiler and Pressure Vessel Inspectors.

SECTION 404. IC 22-15-6-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) The ~~office~~ **division** shall issue a license to act as an owner or user boiler and pressure vessel inspection agency to an applicant who qualifies under this section.

(b) A license issued under this section expires if the bond required by subsection (c)(3) becomes invalid.

(c) To qualify for a license under this section an applicant must:

(1) submit the name and address of the applicant;

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(2) submit proof that inspections will be supervised by one (1) or more professional engineers licensed under IC 25-31 and regularly employed by the applicant;

(3) provide a surety bond issued by a surety qualified to do business in Indiana for one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000), made payable to the ~~office~~ **division** and conditioned upon compliance with the equipment laws applicable to inspections and the true accounting for all funds due to the ~~office;~~ **division;** and

(4) pay the fee set under IC 22-12-6-6(a)(9).

(d) An owner or user boiler and pressure vessel inspection agency licensee under this section shall maintain with the ~~office~~ **division** the most current name and address of the licensee and the name of the professional engineer supervising the licensee's inspections and notify the ~~office~~ **division** of any changes within thirty (30) days after the change occurs. An inspection agency that violates this subsection is subject to a disciplinary action under IC 22-12-7.

(e) The rules board may establish standards for the operation of inspection agencies.

(f) An inspection agency that violates this section is subject to a disciplinary action under IC 22-12-7.

SECTION 405. IC 22-15-7-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. The ~~office~~ **division** shall carry out a program of periodic on-site inspections of the erection and operation of regulated amusement devices. These inspections are not a prerequisite for operation of a device that is covered by a regulated amusement device operating permit.

SECTION 406. IC 22-15-7-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The ~~office~~ **division** shall issue a regulated amusement device operating permit to an applicant who qualifies under this section. If an applicant qualifies for a permit under this section, an inspector shall place an inspection seal on the device that is covered by the permit.

(b) A permit issued under this section:

(1) expires one (1) year from the date the permit was issued; and

(2) may be renewed if the applicant continues to qualify for a permit under this section.

(c) To qualify for a permit under this section, an applicant or an authorized officer of the applicant shall pay the inspection fee set under IC 22-12-6-6 and execute an application form affirming under penalties for perjury the following:

(1) That all information provided in the application is true to the best of the applicant's or officer's knowledge and belief after

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reasonable investigation.

(2) That all personnel employed by the applicant having maintenance responsibility for the amusement devices have or will have sufficient background, knowledge, skills, and training to adequately maintain the amusement devices under the rules of the commission.

(3) That all persons employed by the applicant having operational responsibility for the amusement devices have or will have sufficient background, knowledge, skills, and training to adequately operate the amusement devices under the rules of the commission.

(4) That adequate training will be provided or otherwise made available on an ongoing basis to maintenance and operational personnel to ensure the continuous compliance of the personnel with the standards set forth in subdivisions (2) and (3).

(5) That all maintenance and operational personnel will be trained to recognize and report any condition that would prohibit the safe operation of the amusement device.

(6) That, upon discovering a condition that would prohibit the safe operation of an amusement device, both operational and maintenance personnel must possess the requisite authority to immediately shut down the amusement device and report the condition of the amusement device to supervisory personnel. An amusement device that is shut down under this subdivision may not be returned to operation until the amusement device complies with ASTM standards for operation.

(7) That the applicant assumes full financial responsibility for:

(A) any condition or circumstance occasioned by, caused by, or resulting from noncompliance with the maintenance and operational standards set forth in subdivisions (2) through (6); and

(B) any death, injury, or other loss occasioned by, caused by, or resulting from noncompliance with the maintenance and operational standards set forth in subdivisions (2) through (6).

(d) The execution of an application under subsection (c) by an officer of an applicant corporation does not create individual financial liability for the officer.

(e) The applicant must satisfy an inspector for the ~~office~~ **division** that the regulated amusement device meets the safety requirements set by the commission.

SECTION 407. IC 22-15-7-2.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.166-2005, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE

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UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2.5. (a) Except as provided in subsection (g) or (h), the ~~office~~ **division** may not issue a permit under this chapter until the applicant has filed with the ~~office~~ **division** a certificate of insurance indicating that the applicant has liability insurance:

(1) in effect with an insurer that is authorized to write insurance in Indiana on the operation of regulated amusement devices; and

(2) except for an applicant that is subject to the provisions of IC 34-13-3, that provides coverage to a limit of at least:

(A) one million dollars ($1,000,000) per occurrence and five million dollars ($5,000,000) in the annual aggregate;

(B) five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) per occurrence and two million dollars ($2,000,000) in the annual aggregate if the applicant operates only:

(i) a ski lift;

(ii) a surface lift or tow; or

(iii) both items (i) and (ii); or

(C) one million dollars ($1,000,000) per occurrence and two million dollars ($2,000,000) in the annual aggregate if the applicant operates only regulated amusement devices that are designed to be used and are ridden by persons who are not more than forty-two (42) inches in height.

(b) An insurance policy required under this section may include a deductible clause if the clause provides that any settlement made by the insurance company with an injured person or a personal representative must be paid as though the deductible clause did not apply.

(c) An insurance policy required under this section must provide by the policy's original terms or an endorsement that the insurer may not cancel the policy without:

(1) thirty (30) days written notice; and

(2) a complete report of the reasons for the cancellation to the ~~office.~~ **division.**

(d) An insurance policy required under this section must provide by the policy's original terms or an endorsement that the insurer shall report to the ~~office~~ **division** within twenty-four (24) hours after the insurer pays a claim or reserves any amount to pay an anticipated claim that reduces the liability coverage to a limit of less than one million dollars ($1,000,000) because of bodily injury or death in an occurrence.

(e) If an insurance policy required under this section:

(1) is canceled during the policy's term;

(2) lapses for any reason; or

(3) has the policy's coverage fall below the required amount;

the permittee shall replace the policy with another policy that complies

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with this section.

(f) If a permittee fails to file a certificate of insurance for new or replacement insurance, the permittee:

(1) must cease all operations under the permit immediately; and

(2) may not conduct further operations until the permittee receives the approval of the ~~office~~ **division** to resume operations after the permittee complies with the requirements of this section.

(g) The ~~office~~ **division** may issue a permit under this chapter to an applicant that:

(1) is subject to IC 34-13-3; and

(2) has not filed a certificate of insurance under subsection (a);

if the applicant has filed with the ~~office~~ **division** a notification indicating that the applicant is self-insured for liability.

(h) The ~~office~~ **division** may reduce the annual aggregate liability insurance coverage required under subsection (a)(2)(A) to one million dollars ($1,000,000) in the annual aggregate for an applicant that:

(1) operates only regulated amusement devices that are bull ride simulators that are multiride electric units with bull ride attachments; and

(2) otherwise complies with the requirements of this chapter.

SECTION 408. IC 22-15-7-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) The commission shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to define appropriate training for a person who inspects regulated amusement devices.

(b) The rules required under this section must, at a minimum, provide the following:

(1) The adoption by reference of:

(A) ASTM F 698 (1994 edition) ("Specification for Physical Information to be Provided to Amusement Rides and Devices");

(B) ASTM F 770 (1993 edition) ("Practice for Operation Procedures for Amusement Rides and Devices");

(C) ASTM F 846 (1992 edition) ("Guide for Testing Performance of Amusement Rides and Devices");

(D) ASTM F 853 (1993 edition) ("Practice for Maintenance Procedures for Amusement Rides and Devices");

(E) ASTM F 893 (1987 edition) ("Guide for Inspection of Amusement Rides and Devices");

(F) ASTM F 1305 (1994 edition) ("Standard Guides for the Classification of Amusement Ride and Device Related Injuries and Illnesses"); or

(G) any subsequent published editions of the ASTM standards

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described in clauses (A) through (F).

(2) A requirement that inspectors employed or contracted by the ~~office.~~ **division:**

(A) have and maintain at least a Level 1 certification from the National Association of Amusement Ride Safety Officials; and

(B) conduct inspections that conform to the rules of the commission.

(3) A requirement that regulated amusement devices be operated and maintained in accordance with the rules of the commission.

(4) After July 1, 2005, the commission's chief inspector or supervisor of regulated amusement device inspectors must have and maintain at least:

(A) a Level I certification if the chief inspector or supervisor has not more than five (5) years of service as the chief inspector or a supervisor; and

(B) a Level II certification if the chief inspector or supervisor has more than five (5) years of service as the chief inspector or a supervisor.

SECTION 409. IC 22-15-7-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) A permittee shall, during the permit period, maintain at each location operated by the permittee for each regulated amusement device at the location the following:

(1) A current owner's manual.

(2) Any operational manuals or maintenance guides.

(3) Complete maintenance records describing all repairs and modifications.

(4) Daily operation and inspection logs or checklists.

(5) Personnel training records.

(b) The materials described in subsection (a) must be made available to an inspector from the ~~office.~~ **division:**

(1) upon request; and

(2) within a reasonable time.

The failure by the permittee to have, maintain, or make available for review the materials described in subsection (a) constitutes grounds for the ~~state building commissioner~~ **division** to temporarily suspend a permit during the term of failure or refusal.

SECTION 410. IC 23-1.5-1-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. "Bureau" means the following:

(1) In the case of:

(A) an accounting professional;

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(B) an architectural professional;
(C) an engineering professional;
(D) a health care professional;
(E) a real estate professional; or
(F) a veterinarian;

the Indiana professional licensing agency established ~~under IC 25-1-6-3.~~ **by IC 25-1-5-3.**

~~(2) In the case of an architectural or engineering professional, the Indiana professional licensing agency established under IC 25-1-6-3.~~

~~(3)~~ **(2)** In the case of an attorney, the state board of law examiners.

~~(4) In the case of a health care professional, the health professions bureau established under IC 25-1-5-3.~~

~~(5) In the case of a veterinarian, the health professions bureau established under IC 25-1-5-3.~~

~~(6) In the case of a real estate professional, the Indiana professional licensing agency established under IC 25-1-6-3.~~

SECTION 411. IC 23-2-1-11 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 11. (a) The commissioner may by order deny, suspend, or revoke a registration, censure a registrant or an officer, a director, a partner, or a person performing similar functions for a registrant, or other persons who offered or sold securities in Indiana, or bar a registrant or an officer, a director, a partner, or a person performing similar functions for a registrant or other persons who offered or sold securities in Indiana from employment with a registered broker-dealer or an investment adviser if the commissioner finds that the order is in the public interest and that the applicant or registrant or, in the case of a broker-dealer or an investment adviser, a partner, an officer, or a director or a person performing similar functions or a person directly or indirectly controlling the broker-dealer or an investment adviser, or other persons who offered or sold securities in Indiana has done any of the following:

(1) Has filed an application for registration which, as of its effective date or as of a date after filing in the case of an order denying effectiveness, was incomplete in any material respect or contained a statement that was, in the light of the circumstances under which it was made, false or misleading with respect to any material fact.

(2) Has knowingly violated or failed to comply with this chapter or a rule under this chapter.

(3) Is permanently or temporarily enjoined by a court from engaging in or continuing any conduct or practice involving any

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aspect of the securities business.

(4) Is the subject of an order of the commissioner denying, suspending, or revoking registration as a broker-dealer, an agent, an investment adviser, or an investment adviser representative.

(5) Is the subject of an order entered within the past five (5) years by the securities administrator of any other state or by the Securities and Exchange Commission denying or revoking registration as a broker-dealer, an agent, an investment adviser, an investment adviser representative, or the substantial equivalent of those terms as defined in this chapter, is the subject of an order of the Securities and Exchange Commission suspending or expelling the person from a national securities exchange or national securities association registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a-78kk), or is the subject of a United States post office fraud order.

(6) Has engaged in dishonest or unethical practices in the securities business.

(7) Is insolvent, either in the sense that the person's liabilities exceed the person's assets or in the sense that the person cannot meet the person's obligations as they mature. The commissioner may not enter an order against a broker-dealer or an investment adviser under this subdivision without a finding of insolvency as to the broker-dealer or investment adviser.

(8) Has not complied with the conditions imposed by sections 9(e) and 9.1 of this chapter.

(9) Is lacking in integrity, is not of good business reputation, or is not qualified on the basis of such factors as training, experience, or knowledge of the securities business.

(10) Has failed to pay the proper filing fee. The commissioner may enter only a denial order under this subdivision and the commissioner shall vacate the order when the deficiency has been corrected.

(11) Has unreasonably delayed the delivery of securities purchased or the remittance for securities sold.

(12) Has failed to give notice in writing to a customer whether the broker-dealer is dealing as a principal or as agent, and if as an agent, whether for buyer or seller, or both.

(13) Has failed to deliver the purchased stock certificate or other securities to a buyer or payment to a seller of securities within forty-five (45) days of the date of the transaction. (If, within forty-five (45) days of the date of the transaction, the broker-dealer or the broker-dealer's agent notifies in writing the

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commissioner that delivery will not be completed within the statutory period, and a written notification gives good and sufficient cause for the delay, this provision for suspension shall not be applicable. Good and sufficient cause shall include but not be limited to delay caused by a transfer agent after delivery of securities to the same for transfer on the records of the corporation. The forty-five (45) day period shall not be regarded as a standard of reasonableness for the purposes of subdivision (11).)

(14) Has failed reasonably to supervise the person's agents or employees if the person is a broker-dealer or the person's investment adviser representatives or employees if the person is an investment adviser to assure their compliance with this chapter.

(15) Has been convicted within ten (10) years before the date of the application or registration of a crime involving fraud or deceit or has a felony conviction (as defined in IC 35-50-2-1) within five (5) years before the date of application or registration.

(16) Is on the most recent tax warrant list supplied to the commissioner by the department of state revenue.

(17) Has, within the last ten (10) years, been the subject of an adjudication or determination by a court of competent jurisdiction or by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, or by a securities or commodities agency or administrator of another state, and, after notice and opportunity for a hearing, has been found to have willfully violated the Securities Act of 1933 (15 U.S.C. 77a et seq.), the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. ~~77b~~ **78a** et seq.), the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80b et seq.), the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a et seq.), the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C. 1 et seq.), or the securities or commodities law of any other state.

(18) Has been denied the right to do business in the securities, commodities, banking, financial services, or insurance industry, or the person's respective authority to do business in the securities, commodities, banking, financial services, or insurance industry has been revoked or suspended by any other state, federal, or foreign governmental agency or self-regulatory organization for cause.

(19) Is the subject of a cease and desist order entered by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, or by a securities or commodities agency or

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administrator of another state.

A person described in subdivisions (1) through (19) violates this chapter.

(b) The following provisions govern the application of subsection (a)(9):

(1) The commissioner may not enter an order against a broker-dealer on the basis of the lack of qualification of a person other than:

(A) the broker-dealer if the broker-dealer is an individual; or

(B) an agent of the broker-dealer.

(2) The commissioner may not enter an order solely on the basis of lack of experience if the applicant or registrant is qualified by training or knowledge, or both.

(3) The commissioner shall consider that an agent who will work under the supervision of a registered broker-dealer need not have the same qualifications as a broker-dealer, and that an investment adviser representative who will work under the supervision of a registered investment adviser need not have the same qualifications as an investment adviser.

(4) The commissioner may by rule provide for an examination, including an examination developed or approved by an organization of securities administrators, which may be written or oral or both, to be taken by a class of or all applicants. The commissioner may by rule or order waive the examination requirement for a person or class of persons if the commissioner determines the examination is not necessary for the protection of the public.

(5) The commissioner may not enter an order against an investment adviser on the basis of the lack of qualification of a person other than:

(A) the investment adviser if the investment adviser is an individual; or

(B) an investment adviser representative.

(6) The commissioner shall consider that an investment adviser is not necessarily qualified solely on the basis of experience as a broker-dealer or an agent. When the commissioner finds that an applicant for a broker-dealer registration is not qualified as an investment adviser, the commissioner may by order condition the applicant's registration as a broker-dealer upon the applicant's not transacting business in Indiana as an investment adviser.

(c) The commissioner may not institute a suspension or revocation proceeding on the basis of a fact or transaction known to the

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commissioner when registration became effective, unless the proceeding is instituted within the next one hundred eighty (180) days. The commissioner may by order summarily postpone or suspend registration pending final determination of a proceeding under this section concerning an application for registration or renewal of registration. Upon the entry of the order, the commissioner shall promptly notify the applicant or registrant, as well as the employer or prospective employer if the applicant or registrant is an agent or an investment adviser representative, that:

(1) the order has been entered and the reasons for the order; and

(2) within fifteen (15) days after receipt of a written request the matter will be set for hearing.

If no hearing is requested and none is ordered by the commissioner, the order will remain in effect until it is modified or vacated by the commissioner. If a hearing is requested or ordered, the commissioner, after notice of and opportunity for hearing, may modify or vacate the order or extend it until final determination.

(d) Withdrawal from registration as a broker-dealer, an agent, an investment adviser, or an investment adviser representative becomes effective thirty (30) days after receipt of an application to withdraw or within a shorter period of time as the commissioner may determine, unless a revocation or suspension proceeding is pending when the application is filed or a proceeding to revoke, suspend, or impose conditions upon the withdrawal is instituted within thirty (30) days after the application is filed. If a proceeding is pending or instituted, withdrawal becomes effective at the time and upon the conditions as the commissioner by order determines. If no proceeding is pending or instituted and withdrawal automatically becomes effective, the commissioner may institute a revocation or suspension proceeding under subsection (a) within one (1) year after withdrawal became effective and enter a revocation or suspension order as of the last date on which registration was effective.

(e) No order may be entered under this section except for orders of postponement entered under subsection (c) or orders of suspension under subsection (i), without appropriate prior notice to the applicant or registrant (as well as the employer or prospective employer if the applicant or registrant is an agent or an investment adviser representative), opportunity for hearing, and written findings of fact and conclusions of law.

(f) If the commissioner finds that a registrant or applicant for registration is no longer in existence or has ceased to do business as a broker-dealer, an agent, an investment adviser, or an investment

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adviser representative, is subject to an adjudication of mental incompetence or to the control of a committee, conservator, or guardian, or cannot be located after reasonable search, the commissioner may by order cancel the registration or application.

(g) For purposes of proceedings by the commissioner under this chapter with respect to the registration of an agent or an investment adviser representative, the commissioner may institute proceedings under subsection (a) within one (1) year after termination or expiration of a registration and enter a revocation or suspension order as of the last date on which the registration was effective.

(h) The commissioner shall notify the insurance commissioner when an order is issued under this section denying, suspending, or revoking registration.

(i) The commissioner may by order summarily suspend a registration pending a final determination of a proceeding under this section. Upon the entry of the order, the commissioner shall promptly notify the registrant, as well as the employer if the registrant is an agent, that the order has been entered. The notice must include a statement:

(1) of reasons for entry of the order; and

(2) that within fifteen (15) days after the receipt of a written request the matter will be set down for a hearing.

If a hearing is not requested and none is ordered by the commissioner, the order remains in effect until it is modified or vacated by the commissioner. If a hearing is requested or ordered, the commissioner, after notice of and opportunity for hearing, may modify or vacate the order or extend it until a final determination.

SECTION 412. IC 23-2-5-19 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 19. (a) The following persons are exempt from the requirements of sections 4, 5, 6, 9, 17, 18, and 21 of this chapter:

(1) Any attorney while engaging in the practice of law.

(2) Any certified public accountant, public accountant, or accountant practitioner holding a certificate or registered under IC 25-2.1 while performing the practice of accountancy (as defined by IC 25-2.1-1-10).

(3) Any person licensed as a real estate broker or salesperson under IC 25-34.1 to the extent that the person is rendering loan related services in the ordinary course of a transaction in which a license as a real estate broker or salesperson is required.

(4) Any broker-dealer, agent, or investment advisor registered under IC 23-2-1.

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(5) Any person that:
(A) procures;
(B) promises to procure; or
(C) assists in procuring;
a loan that is not subject to the Truth in Lending Act (15 U.S.C. 1601 through 1667e).

(6) Any community development corporation (as defined in IC 4-4-28-2) acting as a subrecipient of funds from the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority established by IC 5-20-1-3.

(7) The Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority.

(8) Any person authorized to:
(A) sell and service a loan for the Federal National Mortgage Association or the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Association;
(B) issue securities backed by the Government National Mortgage Association;
(C) make loans insured by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development or the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Housing Service;
(D) act as a supervised lender or nonsupervised automatic lender of the United States Department of Veterans Affairs; or
(E) act as a correspondent of loans insured by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

(9) Any person who is a creditor, or proposed to be a creditor, for any loan.

(b) As used in this chapter, "bona fide third party fee" includes fees for the following:

(1) Credit reports, investigations, and appraisals performed by a person who holds a license or certificate as a real estate appraiser under IC 25-34.1-8.

(2) If the loan is to be secured by real property, title examinations, an abstract of title, title insurance, a property survey, and similar purposes.

(3) The services provided by a loan broker in procuring possible business for a lending institution if the fees are paid by the lending institution.

(c) As used in this section, "successful procurement of a loan" means that a binding commitment from a creditor to advance money has been received and accepted by the borrower.

(d) The burden of proof of any exemption or classification provided in this chapter is on the party claiming the exemption or classification.

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SECTION 413. IC 24-3-4-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. (a) A person who, for the purpose of selling or distributing the cigarettes in Indiana, imports cigarettes into Indiana that were manufactured outside the United States, shall file a monthly report with the department and keep and maintain the records required under IC 6-7-1-19 and IC 6-7-1-19.5.

(b) The report required under subsection (a) must be signed by the person who imports the cigarettes, under penalties of perjury, and must contain the following information concerning cigarettes that the person imported during the preceding month:

(1) A copy of each of the following:

(A) The permit issued under 26 U.S.C. 5713 that allows the person to import the cigarettes into the United States.

(B) The United States Customs Service form concerning the cigarettes that contains the internal revenue tax information required by the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, ~~and~~ Firearms **and Explosives.**

(2) A statement that includes the following information:

(A) The brand and brand styles of the cigarettes imported.

(B) The quantity of each brand style of the cigarettes imported.

(C) The name and address of each person to whom the cigarettes have been shipped.

(3) A statement signed by an officer of the manufacturer or importer, under the penalties for perjury, that states whether the manufacturer is a participant in the escrow fund under IC 24-3-3-12 and certifies that the manufacturer or importer has complied with the following:

(A) The federal cigarette package health warning requirements (15 U.S.C. 1333) and the federal ingredient reporting requirements (15 U.S.C. 1335a).

(B) The qualified escrow fund for tobacco product manufacturers requirements under IC 24-3-3.

SECTION 414. IC 24-4.5-1-202 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 202. This article does not apply to the following:

(1) Extensions of credit to government or governmental agencies or instrumentalities.

(2) The sale of insurance by an insurer, except as otherwise provided in the chapter on insurance (IC 24-4.5-4).

(3) Transactions under public utility, municipal utility, or common carrier tariffs if a subdivision or agency of this state or of the United States regulates the charges for the services

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involved, the charges for delayed payment, and any discount allowed for early payment.

(4) The rates and charges and the disclosure of rates and charges of a licensed pawnbroker established in accordance with a statute or ordinance concerning these matters.

(5) A sale of goods, services, or an interest in land in which the goods, services, or interest in land are purchased primarily for a purpose other than a personal, family, or household purpose.

(6) A loan in which the debt is incurred primarily for a purpose other than a personal, family, or household purpose.

(7) An extension of credit primarily for a business, a commercial, or an agricultural purpose.

(8) An installment agreement for the purchase of home fuels in which a finance charge is not imposed.

(9) Loans made, insured, or guaranteed under a program authorized by Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1070 et seq.).

(10) Transactions in securities or commodities accounts in which credit is extended by a broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission or the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

(11) A loan made:

(A) in compliance with the requirements of; and

(B) by a community development corporation (as defined in IC 4-4-28-2) acting as a subrecipient of funds from;

the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority established by IC 5-20-1-3.

SECTION 415. IC 24-5-0.5-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) This chapter shall be liberally construed and applied to promote its purposes and policies.

(b) The purposes and policies of this chapter are to:

(1) simplify, clarify, and modernize the law governing deceptive and unconscionable consumer sales practices;

(2) protect consumers from suppliers who commit deceptive and unconscionable sales acts; **and**

(3) encourage the development of fair consumer sales practices.

SECTION 416. IC 24-5-0.5-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. ~~(Application)~~ This chapter does not apply to an act or practice **that is:**

(1) required or expressly permitted by federal law, rule, or regulation; or

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(2) required or expressly permitted by state law, rule, regulation, or local ordinance.

SECTION 417. IC 24-6-7-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. The ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture is charged with the enforcement of the provisions of this chapter and for such purposes shall have the power **to:**

~~(a) to~~ **(1)** enter and inspect personally or through any authorized representative any place within ~~the state of~~ Indiana where any apples, peaches, or strawberries are sold, offered, or exposed for sale, and to inspect such places and all apples, peaches, and strawberries and containers therefor found in any such place;

~~(b) to~~ **(2)** stop any wagon, truck, or other vehicle upon any public street or highway of the state for the purpose of inspecting any apples, peaches, or strawberries that may be so transported; and

~~(c) to~~ **(3)** make, publish, and enforce such uniform rules as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of this chapter.

SECTION 418. IC 24-9-1-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. Except for IC 24-9-3-7(3), this article does not apply to:

(1) a loan made or acquired by a person organized or chartered under the laws of this state, any other state, or the United States relating to banks, trust companies, savings associations, savings banks, credit unions, or industrial loan and investment companies; or

(2) a loan:

(A) that can be purchased by the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Association, or the Federal Home Loan Bank;

(B) to be insured by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development;

(C) to be guaranteed by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs;

(D) to be made or guaranteed by the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Housing Service;

(E) to be funded by the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority; or

(F) with a principal amount that exceeds the conforming loan size limit for a single family dwelling as established by the Federal National Mortgage Association.

SECTION 419. IC 24-9-4-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. A creditor may

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not make a high cost home loan without first providing the borrower information to facilitate contact with a nonprofit counseling agency certified by:

(1) the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development; or

(2) the ~~department of commerce~~ **Indiana housing and community development authority** under ~~IC 4-4-3-8(b)(15);~~ **IC 5-20-1-4(g);**

at the same time as the good faith estimates are provided to the borrower in accordance with the requirements of the federal Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (12 U.S.C. 2601 et seq.) as amended.

SECTION 420. IC 24-9-4-11 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 11. A creditor may not make a high cost home loan unless the creditor has given the following notice, in writing, to the borrower not later than the time that notice is required under 12 CFR 226.31(c):

"NOTICE TO BORROWER

YOU SHOULD BE AWARE THAT YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO OBTAIN A LOAN AT A LOWER COST. YOU SHOULD COMPARE LOAN RATES, COSTS, AND FEES. MORTGAGE LOAN RATES AND CLOSING COSTS AND FEES VARY BASED ON MANY FACTORS, INCLUDING YOUR PARTICULAR CREDIT AND FINANCIAL CIRCUMSTANCES, YOUR EMPLOYMENT HISTORY, THE LOAN-TO-VALUE REQUESTED, AND THE TYPE OF PROPERTY THAT WILL SECURE YOUR LOAN. THE LOAN RATE, COSTS, AND FEES COULD ALSO VARY BASED ON WHICH CREDITOR OR BROKER YOU SELECT.

IF YOU ACCEPT THE TERMS OF THIS LOAN, THE CREDITOR WILL HAVE A MORTGAGE LIEN ON YOUR HOME. YOU COULD LOSE YOUR HOME AND ANY MONEY YOU HAVE PAID IF YOU DO NOT MEET YOUR PAYMENT OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE LOAN.

YOU SHOULD CONSULT AN ATTORNEY AND A QUALIFIED INDEPENDENT CREDIT COUNSELOR OR OTHER EXPERIENCED FINANCIAL ADVISER REGARDING THE RATE, FEES, AND PROVISIONS OF THIS MORTGAGE LOAN BEFORE YOU PROCEED. A LIST OF QUALIFIED COUNSELORS IS AVAILABLE FROM THE INDIANA ~~DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.~~ **HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.**

YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THIS LOAN

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AGREEMENT MERELY BECAUSE YOU HAVE RECEIVED THIS DISCLOSURE OR HAVE SIGNED A LOAN APPLICATION. REMEMBER, PROPERTY TAXES AND HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE ARE YOUR RESPONSIBILITY. NOT ALL CREDITORS PROVIDE ESCROW SERVICES FOR THESE PAYMENTS. YOU SHOULD ASK YOUR CREDITOR ABOUT THESE SERVICES.

ALSO, YOUR PAYMENTS ON EXISTING DEBTS CONTRIBUTE TO YOUR CREDIT RATINGS. YOU SHOULD NOT ACCEPT ANY ADVICE TO IGNORE YOUR REGULAR PAYMENTS TO YOUR EXISTING CREDITORS.".

SECTION 421. IC 24-9-7-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. Political subdivisions may not:

(1) enact, issue, or enforce ordinances, resolutions, regulations, orders, requests for proposals, or requests for bids pertaining to financial or lending activities, including ordinances, resolutions, and rules that disqualify persons from doing business with a municipality and that are based upon lending terms or practices; or

(2) impose reporting requirements or any other obligations upon persons regarding financial services or lending practices or upon subsidiaries or affiliates that:

(A) are subject to the jurisdiction of the department of financial institutions;

(B) are subject to the jurisdiction or regulatory supervision of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, the Office of Thrift Supervision, the National Credit Union Administration, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Federal Trade Commission, or the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development;

(C) are chartered by the United States Congress to engage in secondary market mortgage transactions;

(D) are created by the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority; or

(E) originate, purchase, sell, assign, securitize, or service property interests or obligations created by financial transactions or loans made, executed, originated, or purchased by persons referred to in clauses (A), (B), (C), or (D).

SECTION 422. IC 25-2.5-1-2.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA

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CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 2.5. "Agency" refers to the Indiana professional licensing agency established by IC 25-1-5-3.**

SECTION 423. IC 25-2.5-2-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) A license issued by the board expires on the date established by the ~~bureau~~ **agency** under IC 25-1-5-4 in each even-numbered year.

(b) To renew a license, an acupuncturist must:

(1) pay a renewal fee not later than the expiration date of the license; and

(2) submit proof of current active licensure in acupuncture by the National Certification Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine.

SECTION 424. IC 25-5.1-1-1.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 1.5. "Agency" refers to the Indiana professional licensing agency established by IC 25-1-5-3.**

SECTION 425. IC 25-5.1-3-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) A license issued by the board expires on a date established by the ~~bureau~~ **agency** under IC 25-1-5-4 in each even-numbered year.

(b) An individual may renew a license by paying a renewal fee not later than the expiration date of the license.

(c) If an individual fails to timely pay a renewal fee as required by subsection (b), the individual's license becomes invalid without any action being taken by the board.

SECTION 426. IC 25-6.1-1-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. As used in this article:

"Auction" means a sale transaction conducted by means of oral or written exchanges between an auctioneer and the members of ~~his~~ **the auctioneer's** audience, which exchanges consist of a series of invitations for offers for the purchase of goods or real estate made by the auctioneer and offers to purchase made by members of the audience and culminate in the acceptance by the auctioneer of the highest or most favorable offer made by a member of the participating audience.

"Auction company" means any person or persons who, as a part of its business, arranges, manages, sponsors, advertises, or carries out auctions.

"Auction house" means an established place of business including an auction barn, a sale barn, and a sale pavilion and its contiguous surroundings where two (2) or more auctions are held within any

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twelve (12) month period and where representations are regularly made that goods are sold at auction. Each day during which goods or real estate are being offered for sale at auction shall constitute one (1) auction. A sale barn or livestock auction market that is used exclusively for the auctioning of livestock and is licensed by the Indiana state board of animal health is not an auction house as defined herein.

"Auctioneer" means an individual who is engaged in, or who by advertising or otherwise holds ~~himself~~ **the individual** out as being available to engage in, the calling for, the recognition of, and the acceptance of offers for the purchase of goods or real estate at an auction.

"Commission" means the Indiana auctioneer commission.

"Goods" means any goods, wares, chattels, merchandise, or other personal property, including domestic animals and farm products.

"Licensee" means any person licensed or issued a temporary permit under this article and, in the case of an auction house or auction company, includes the person required to obtain a license for such auction house or auction company.

"Organization" means a corporation, a limited liability company, a partnership, a trust (specifically including a business trust), a firm, an association, or any other form of business enterprise which is owned by two (2) or more individuals.

"Person" means an organization or an individual.

"Real estate" means any right, title, or interest in real property, including fixtures.

"Licensing agency" means the Indiana professional licensing agency established ~~under IC 25-1-6.~~ **by IC 25-1-5-3.**

SECTION 427. IC 25-7-4-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. "Agency" refers to the Indiana professional licensing agency established by ~~IC 25-1-6-3.~~ **IC 25-1-5-3.**

SECTION 428. IC 25-8-2-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. "Agency" refers to the Indiana professional licensing agency established by ~~IC 25-1-6-3.~~ **IC 25-1-5-3.**

SECTION 429. IC 25-9-1-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. The commission shall maintain offices for the transaction of its business in the city of Indianapolis, Indiana, and may, with the approval of the Indiana professional licensing agency ~~(IC 25-1-6),~~ **(IC 25-1-5-3),** incur the necessary expense for rent, office furniture, stationery, printing, and other incidental expense.

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SECTION 430. IC 25-9-1-28 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 28. All fees received by the Indiana professional licensing agency ~~(IC 25-1-6)~~ **(IC 25-1-5-3)** on behalf of the commission under the provisions of this chapter shall be paid to the state treasurer to be placed by ~~him~~ **the treasurer** in the general fund of the state.

SECTION 431. IC 25-10-1-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. As used in this article:

(1) "Chiropractic" means the diagnosis and analysis of any interference with normal nerve transmission and expression, the procedure preparatory to and complementary to the correction thereof by an adjustment of the articulations of the vertebral column, its immediate articulation, and includes other incidental means of adjustments of the spinal column and the practice of drugless therapeutics. However, chiropractic does not include any of the following:

(A) Prescription or administration of legend drugs or other controlled substances.

(B) Performing of incisive surgery or internal or external cauterization.

(C) Penetration of the skin with a needle or other instrument for any purpose except for the purpose of blood analysis.

(D) Use of colonic irrigations, plasmatics, ionizing radiation therapy, or radionics.

(E) Conducting invasive diagnostic tests or analysis of body fluids except for urinalysis.

(F) The taking of x-rays of any organ other than the vertebral column and extremities. ~~and~~

(G) The treatment or attempt to treat infectious diseases, endocrine disorders, or atypical or abnormal histology.

(2) "Chiropractor" means any person who is qualified under this chapter to practice the science of chiropractic.

(3) "Board" means the board of chiropractic examiners under section 1.5 of this chapter.

(4) ~~"Bureau" means~~ **"Agency" refers to** the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** under IC 25-1-5.

SECTION 432. IC 25-10-1-1.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1.5. (a) There is created a board of chiropractic examiners. The board shall consist of seven (7) members appointed by the governor, not more than four (4) of whom may be affiliated with the same political party. Six (6) of the

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board members must be licensed under this chapter and must have had at least five (5) years of experience as a chiropractor prior to their appointment. One (1) member is to represent the general public and must be:

(1) a resident of this state; and

(2) in no way associated with the profession of chiropractic other than as a consumer.

(b) All members shall be appointed for a term of three (3) years and serve until their successors are appointed and qualified. A vacancy occurring on the board shall be filled by the governor by appointment. Each appointed member shall serve for the unexpired term of the vacating member.

(c) The members of the board are entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). Members are also entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

(d) The members of the board shall organize by the election of a chairman and a vice chairman from among its membership. The officers serve for a term of one (1) year. The board shall meet at least once each year and on other occasions as it considers necessary and advisable. A meeting of the board may be called by its chairman or by a majority of the members on the board. Four (4) members of the board constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. All decisions are required to be made by a majority vote of the quorum.

(e) The ~~bureau~~ **agency** shall provide a secretary of the board and other personnel necessary for the proper performance of the board's duties and responsibilities under this chapter. The board, through the ~~bureau,~~ **agency,** shall receive and account for all money collected under this chapter and pay the money to the treasurer of state to be deposited by the treasurer in the general fund of the state.

(f) The board may do the following:

(1) Establish reasonable application, examination, and renewal procedures for certification under this chapter.

(2) Use an examination under this chapter that is designed by the board, designed by another person, or designed in part by the board and in part by another person.

(3) Conduct in the manner prescribed by the board examinations of applicants for certification under this chapter. The board may conduct any part of the examinations through a person other than

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the ~~bureau~~ **agency** who is approved by the board. The ~~bureau~~ **agency** may conduct any part of the examinations under IC 25-1-5-4.

(4) Issue, deny, suspend, revoke, and renew certificates.

(5) Subject to IC 25-1-7, investigate and conduct hearings, upon complaint against individuals certified or not certified under this chapter, concerning alleged violation of this chapter with hearings to be conducted in accordance with IC 4-21.5.

(6) Initiate the prosecution and enjoinder of a person violating this chapter.

(7) Adopt rules necessary for the proper performance of the board's duties, in accordance with IC 4-22-2.

(8) Maintain a current list of individuals certified under this chapter.

(9) Establish a code of professional conduct.

(10) Adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to allow chiropractors licensed under this chapter to delegate the manual manipulation, manual adjustment, or manual mobilization of the spinal column or the vertebral column under section 14(c)(4) of this chapter.

(11) Adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 establishing standards for the registration and regulation of chiropractic management consultants (as defined by the board under IC 25-10-2).

(12) Set fees for the annual registration of a chiropractic management consultant under IC 25-10-2.

(g) The board shall adopt rules establishing standards for the competent practice of the science of the chiropractic in accordance with IC 4-22-2.

(h) All expenses incurred in the administration of this chapter shall be paid from the state general fund upon appropriation being made in the manner provided by law for the making of appropriations.

SECTION 433. IC 25-13-1-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. (a) A license to practice dental hygiene in Indiana shall be issued to candidates who pass the board's examinations. The license shall be valid for the remainder of the renewal period in effect on the date the license was issued.

(b) Prior to the issuance of the license, the applicant shall pay a fee set by the board under section 5 of this chapter. A license issued by the board expires on a date specified by the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** under IC 25-1-5-4(k) of each even-numbered year. An applicant for license renewal must satisfy the following conditions:

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(1) Pay the renewal fee set by the board under section 5 of this chapter on or before the renewal date specified by the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** in each even-numbered year.

(2) Subject to IC 25-1-4-3, provide the board with a sworn statement signed by the applicant attesting that the applicant has fulfilled the continuing education requirements under IC 25-13-2.

(3) Be currently certified or successfully complete a course in basic life support through a program approved by the board. The board may waive the basic life support requirement for applicants who show reasonable cause.

(c) If the holder of a license does not renew the license on or before the renewal date specified by the ~~health professions bureau,~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency,** the license expires and becomes invalid without any action by the board.

(d) A license invalidated under subsection (c) may be reinstated by the board up to three (3) years after such invalidation upon meeting the requirements under IC 25-1-8-6.

(e) If a license remains invalid under subsection (c) for more than three (3) years, the holder of the invalid license may obtain a reinstated license if the holder meets the following requirements:

(1) Meets the requirements under IC 25-1-8-6.

(2) Passes an examination on state and federal laws that are relevant to the practice of dental hygiene as determined by the board.

(3) Has been continuously engaged in the practice of dental hygiene from the date the holder's license was invalidated through the date the holder applies for reinstatement.

(4) Other than failing to renew the license, has complied with this chapter and the rules adopted under this chapter during the time specified under subdivision (3).

(5) Complies with any other requirements established by the board under subsection (g).

The board may require the holder of an invalid license who files an application under this subsection to appear before the board and explain why the holder failed to renew the license.

(f) If the lapse of time in revalidating the license continues beyond three (3) years, and the holder of the invalid license does not meet the requirements under subsection (e), the holder of the invalid license must apply for licensure under section 4 or 17 of this chapter. In addition, the board may require the holder of the expired license to pay all past due renewal fees and a penalty fee set by the board under

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section 5 of this chapter.

(g) The board may adopt rules under section 5 of this chapter establishing requirements for the reinstatement of a license that has been invalidated for more than three (3) years.

(h) The license to practice must be displayed at all times in plain view of the patients in the office where the holder is engaged in practice. No person may lawfully practice dental hygiene who does not possess a license and its current renewal.

(i) Biennial renewals of licenses are subject to the provisions of IC 25-1-2.

SECTION 434. IC 25-14-1-1.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1.5. As used in this article:

"Agency" refers to the Indiana professional licensing agency established by IC 25-1-5-3.

"Board" refers to the state board of dentistry established under this chapter.

~~"Bureau" refers to the health professions service bureau under IC 25-1-5.~~

"Deep sedation" means a controlled state of depressed consciousness, accompanied by partial loss of protective reflexes, including inability to respond purposefully to verbal command, produced by a pharmacologic method.

"General anesthesia" means a controlled state of unconsciousness, accompanied by partial or complete loss of protective reflexes, including inability to independently maintain an airway and respond purposefully to physical stimulation or verbal command, produced by a pharmacologic method.

"Light parenteral conscious sedation" means a minimally depressed level of consciousness under which an individual retains the ability to independently and continuously maintain an airway and respond appropriately to physical stimulation and verbal command, produced by an intravenous pharmacologic method.

SECTION 435. IC 25-14-1-3.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3.5. (a) Under IC 25-1-8 the board shall establish, under IC 25-13-1-5 and section 13 of this chapter, fees sufficient to implement IC 25-13 and IC 25-14.

(b) All money received by the board under this chapter shall be paid to the ~~bureau~~ **agency,** which shall:

(1) give a proper receipt for the same; and

(2) at the end of each month:

(A) report to the auditor of state the total amount received

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from all sources; and

(B) deposit the entire amount of such receipts with the state treasurer to be deposited by the treasurer in the general fund of the state.

All expenses incurred in the administration of this chapter shall be paid from the general fund upon appropriation being made therefor in the manner provided by law for making such appropriations.

SECTION 436. IC 25-14-1-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. (a) Unless renewed, a license issued by the board expires on a date specified by the ~~health professions bureau~~ **agency** under IC 25-1-5-4(k). An applicant for renewal shall pay the renewal fee set by the board under section 13 of this chapter on or before the renewal date specified by the ~~health professions bureau.~~ **agency.**

(b) The license shall be properly displayed at all times in the office of the person named as the holder of the license, and a person may not be considered to be in legal practice if the person does not possess the license and renewal card.

(c) If a holder of a dental license does not secure the renewal card on or before the renewal date specified by the ~~health professions bureau,~~ **agency,** without any action by the board the license together with any related renewal card is invalidated.

(d) Except as provided in section 27.1 of this chapter, a license invalidated under subsection (c) may be reinstated by the board up to three (3) years after its invalidation upon meeting the requirements under IC 25-1-8-6.

(e) Except as provided in section 27.1 of this chapter, if a license remains invalid under subsection (c) for more than three (3) years, the holder of the invalid license may obtain a reinstated license if the holder meets the following requirements:

(1) Meets the requirements under IC 25-1-8-6.

(2) Passes an examination on state and federal laws that are relevant to the practice of dentistry as determined by the board.

(3) Has been continuously engaged in the practice of dentistry from the date the holder's license was invalidated through the date the holder applies for reinstatement.

(4) Other than failing to obtain a renewal card, has complied with this chapter and the rules adopted under this chapter during the time specified under subdivision (3).

(5) Complies with any other requirements established by the board under subsection (g).

The board may require the holder of an invalid license who files an

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application under this subsection to appear before the board and explain why the holder failed to renew the license.

(f) If a license remains invalid under subsection (c) for more than three (3) years and the holder of the invalid license does not meet the requirements under subsection (e), the holder of the invalid license may be issued a license only by reapplying for a license under section 3 or 16 of this chapter. In addition, the board may require the holder of the invalidated license to pay all past due renewal fees and a penalty fee set by the board under section 13 of this chapter.

(g) The board may adopt rules under section 13 of this chapter establishing requirements for the reinstatement of a license that has been invalidated for more than three (3) years. The fee for a duplicate license to practice as a dentist is subject to IC 25-1-8-2.

(h) Biennial renewal of licenses is subject to IC 25-1-2.

(i) Subject to IC 25-1-4-3, an application for renewal of a license under this section must contain a sworn statement signed by the applicant attesting that the applicant has fulfilled the continuing education requirements under IC 25-14-3.

SECTION 437. IC 25-14-1-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. (a) The board shall hold not less than two (2) regular meetings in each year at such place as may be fixed by the board and as often in addition as may be necessary for the transaction of such business as may properly come under the provisions of this chapter, and it shall have power to make all necessary rules in accordance with this chapter. Additional meetings may be called at any time by the president or any six (6) members of the board to be held at such time and place as may be designated in the call. Six (6) members of the board constitute a quorum. A majority of the quorum may transact business. The board shall elect a president and a secretary. For their services, the members shall receive per diem and travel expenses as otherwise provided by law.

(b) It shall be the duty of the board through the ~~bureau~~ **agency** to keep a record of all applications for licenses for a period of time designated by the board, subject to the final approval of the oversight committee on public records under IC 5-15-5.1-19. Such records shall contain all the facts set forth in the application, including the action of the board. The board shall also retain all examination papers for a period of one (1) year from the date upon which the examination is held. The ~~bureau~~ **agency** shall carry out the administrative functions of the board and shall provide necessary personnel to enable the board to properly carry out and enforce this chapter.

(c) The board may affiliate with the American Association of Dental

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Examiners as an active member thereof and may pay the regular annual dues of the association out of any available funds of the board, which are obtained by examination fees or registration renewal fees as provided by law. However, the affiliation with the American Association of Dental Examiners shall not impair, restrict, enlarge, or modify any of the rights, powers, duties, or functions of the board as prescribed by the laws of this state. The board may designate one (1) of its members as a delegate of any meeting of the association, and such delegate member shall receive the regular per diem paid to members of the board for their services on the board and ~~his~~ **the member's** necessary expenses while traveling to and from and attending such meetings.

SECTION 438. IC 25-14-1-27.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 27.5. (a) The board may issue an instructor's license to an individual who is not otherwise licensed to practice dentistry in Indiana if the individual meets the following conditions:

(1) The individual has been licensed or has had the equivalent of a license for five (5) of the preceding nine (9) years to practice dentistry in the United States or in any country, territory, or other recognized jurisdiction.

(2) The individual has been approved under the credentialing process of an Indiana school of dentistry or an affiliated medical center of an Indiana school of dentistry that is accredited by:

(A) the American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation; or

(B) the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Care Organizations.

(3) The individual has successfully documented or demonstrated clinical and academic competency to the board.

(4) The individual is fluent in the English language.

(5) The individual passes the written law examination administered by the board.

(6) The individual meets the continuing education requirements required by IC 25-14-3.

(7) The individual pays the licensing fee set by the board under subsection (f).

(b) A license issued under this section must be held by the Indiana school of dentistry for which the licensee is employed.

(c) A license issued under this section does not meet the requirements of section 16 of this chapter and may not be used to obtain a general dentistry license under this article.

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(d) A licensee under this section may teach and practice dentistry only at or on behalf of an Indiana school of dentistry or an affiliated medical center of an Indiana school of dentistry.

(e) An instructor's license is valid only during the time the licensee is employed or has a valid employment contract for a full-time faculty position at the Indiana school of dentistry or an affiliated medical center. The Indiana school of dentistry or the affiliated medical center shall notify the board in writing upon the termination of the employment contract of an individual who is issued a license under this section and surrender the license not later than thirty (30) days after the licensee's employment ceases.

(f) The board shall set a fee for the issuance and renewal of a license under this section.

(g) Unless renewed, a license issued by the board under this section expires annually on a date specified by the ~~health professions bureau~~ **agency** under IC 25-1-5-4. An applicant for renewal must pay the renewal fee set by the board on or before the renewal date specified by the ~~health professions bureau.~~ **agency.**

(h) Not more than five percent (5%) of the Indiana school of dentistry's full-time faculty may be individuals licensed under this section.

(i) The board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 necessary to implement this section.

(j) This section expires June 30, 2008.

SECTION 439. IC 25-14.5-1-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. ~~"Bureau"~~ **"Agency"** refers to the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** established by IC 25-1-5-3.

SECTION 440. IC 25-14.5-5-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) The board may conduct examinations under IC 25-14.5-4-1(4) in a manner prescribed by the board.

(b) The board may conduct any part of the examinations through a person other than the ~~bureau~~ **agency** that is approved by the board. The ~~bureau~~ **agency** may conduct any part of the examinations when so designated by the board.

SECTION 441. IC 25-14.5-6-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) A certificate issued by the board expires on a date established by the ~~bureau~~ **agency** under IC 25-1-5-4 in the next even-numbered year following the year in which the certificate was issued.

(b) An individual may renew a certificate by paying a renewal fee

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on or before the expiration date of the certificate.

(c) If an individual fails to pay a renewal fee on or before the expiration date of a certificate, the certificate becomes invalid.

SECTION 442. IC 25-19-1-5.1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5.1. Notwithstanding section 5 of this chapter, the fee for a health facility administrator's license shall be submitted to the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** for it to transmit to the state treasurer.

SECTION 443. IC 25-19-1-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) The board shall elect from its membership annually a chairman, vice chairman, and secretary and shall adopt rules to govern its proceedings. Each member of the board who is not a state employee is entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). Such a member is also entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties, as provided in the state travel policies and procedures established by the department of administration and approved by the state budget agency. The ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** shall supply necessary personnel to assist the board in the performance of its duties.

(b) Eight (8) members of the board, including three (3) members who are health facility administrators and one (1) member who is an officer of the board, constitute a quorum for consideration of all matters before the board. A majority vote of the quorum is required for action of the board.

SECTION 444. IC 25-19-1-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. (a) Every holder of a health facility administrator's license shall renew it biennially, on or before August 31 of even-numbered years by making an application to the board. The renewals shall be granted as a matter of course, unless the board finds, after due notice and hearing, that the applicant has acted or failed to act in a manner or under circumstances that would constitute grounds for nonrenewal, suspension, or revocation of a license.

(b) A health facility administrator's license expires at midnight on the renewal date specified by the ~~health professions bureau.~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency.** Failure to renew a license on or before the renewal date automatically renders the license invalid.

(c) A person who fails to renew a license before it expires and becomes invalid at midnight of the renewal date shall be reinstated by

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the board upon meeting the requirements under IC 25-1-8-6. However, a person who fails to apply to reinstate a license under this section within three (3) years after the date the license expires and becomes invalid shall be issued a license by meeting the requirements under IC 25-1-8-6.

(d) The board may require an applicant under subsection (c) to appear before the board to explain the applicant's failure to renew.

SECTION 445. IC 25-20.2-2-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. "Agency" refers to the Indiana professional licensing agency established by ~~IC 25-1-6-3.~~ **IC 25-1-5-3.**

SECTION 446. IC 25-20.5-1-18 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 18. (a) A certificate issued by the committee expires on a date established by the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** under IC 25-1-5-4 in the next even-numbered year following the year in which the certificate was issued.

(b) An individual may renew a certificate by paying a renewal fee on or before the expiration date of the certificate.

(c) If an individual fails to pay a renewal fee on or before the expiration date of a certificate, the certificate becomes invalid.

SECTION 447. IC 25-21.5-1-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. "Licensing agency" refers to the Indiana professional licensing agency established under ~~IC 25-1-6.~~ **IC 25-1-5-3.**

SECTION 448. IC 25-22.5-1-1.1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1.1. As used in this article:

(a) "Practice of medicine or osteopathic medicine" means any one (1) or a combination of the following:

(1) Holding oneself out to the public as being engaged in:

(A) the diagnosis, treatment, correction, or prevention of any disease, ailment, defect, injury, infirmity, deformity, pain, or other condition of human beings;

(B) the suggestion, recommendation, or prescription or administration of any form of treatment, without limitation;

(C) the performing of any kind of surgical operation upon a human being, including tattooing, except for tattooing (as defined in IC 35-42-2-7), in which human tissue is cut, burned, or vaporized by the use of any mechanical means, laser, or ionizing radiation, or the penetration of the skin or body orifice by any means, for the intended palliation, relief, or cure; or

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(D) the prevention of any physical, mental, or functional ailment or defect of any person.

(2) The maintenance of an office or a place of business for the reception, examination, or treatment of persons suffering from disease, ailment, defect, injury, infirmity, deformity, pain, or other conditions of body or mind.

(3) Attaching the designation "doctor of medicine", "M.D.", "doctor of osteopathy", "D.O.", "osteopathic medical physician", "physician", "surgeon", or "physician and surgeon", either alone or in connection with other words, or any other words or abbreviations to a name, indicating or inducing others to believe that the person is engaged in the practice of medicine or osteopathic medicine (as defined in this section).

(4) Providing diagnostic or treatment services to a person in Indiana when the diagnostic or treatment services:

(A) are transmitted through electronic communications; and

(B) are on a regular, routine, and non-episodic basis or under an oral or written agreement to regularly provide medical services.

In addition to the exceptions described in section 2 of this chapter, a nonresident physician who is located outside Indiana does not practice medicine or osteopathy in Indiana by providing a second opinion to a licensee or diagnostic or treatment services to a patient in Indiana following medical care originally provided to the patient while outside Indiana.

(b) "Board" refers to the medical licensing board of Indiana.

(c) "Diagnose or diagnosis" means to examine a patient, parts of a patient's body, substances taken or removed from a patient's body, or materials produced by a patient's body to determine the source or nature of a disease or other physical or mental condition, or to hold oneself out or represent that a person is a physician and is so examining a patient. It is not necessary that the examination be made in the presence of the patient; it may be made on information supplied either directly or indirectly by the patient.

(d) "Drug or medicine" means any medicine, compound, or chemical or biological preparation intended for internal or external use of humans, and all substances intended to be used for the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, or prevention of diseases or abnormalities of humans, which are recognized in the latest editions published of the United States Pharmacopoeia or National Formulary, or otherwise established as a drug or medicine.

(e) "Licensee" means any individual holding a valid unlimited

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license issued by the board under this article.

(f) "Prescribe or prescription" means to direct, order, or designate the use of or manner of using a drug, medicine, or treatment, by spoken or written words or other means.

(g) "Physician" means any person who holds the degree of doctor of medicine or doctor of osteopathy or its equivalent and who holds a valid unlimited license to practice medicine or osteopathic medicine in Indiana.

(h) "Medical school" means a nationally accredited college of medicine or of osteopathic medicine approved by the board.

(i) "Physician's assistant" means an individual who:

(1) is an employee of a physician;

(2) is a graduate of a physician's assistant training program approved by the board;

(3) has successfully completed the national examination administered by the national commission on the certification of physician's assistants; and

(4) has registered with the board.

(j) ~~"Bureau"~~ **"Agency"** refers to the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** under IC 25-1-5.

SECTION 449. IC 25-22.5-2-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. The ~~service bureau~~ **agency** shall keep a record of all licenses, permits, and applications for licensure or permit. This record must contain all the facts set forth in the application, including the action of the board thereon.

SECTION 450. IC 25-22.5-2-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. The funds obtained from registration and penalty fees shall, upon receipt thereof, be accounted for and paid over by the ~~service bureau~~ **agency** to the treasurer of state and be placed in the general fund of the state. The expenses of the board shall be paid from the general fund upon appropriation being made therefor in the manner required by law for the making of such appropriations. The amount to be expended by the board shall not exceed the amount collected by the board from all sources.

SECTION 451. IC 25-22.5-2-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.18-2005, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. The board shall do the following:

(1) Adopt rules and forms necessary to implement this article that concern, but are not limited to, the following areas:

(A) Qualification by education, residence, citizenship,

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training, and character for admission to an examination for licensure or by endorsement for licensure.

(B) The examination for licensure.

(C) The license or permit.

(D) Fees for examination, permit, licensure, and registration.

(E) Reinstatement of licenses and permits.

(F) Payment of costs in disciplinary proceedings conducted by the board.

(2) Administer oaths in matters relating to the discharge of its official duties.

(3) Enforce this article and assign **to** the ~~health professions bureau~~ personnel **of the agency** duties as may be necessary in the discharge of the board's duty.

(4) Maintain, through the ~~health professions bureau,~~ **agency,** full and complete records of all applicants for licensure or permit and of all licenses and permits issued.

(5) Make available, upon request, the complete schedule of minimum requirements for licensure or permit.

(6) Issue, at the board's discretion, a temporary permit to an applicant for the interim from the date of application until the next regular meeting of the board.

(7) Issue an unlimited license, a limited license, or a temporary medical permit, depending upon the qualifications of the applicant, to any applicant who successfully fulfills all of the requirements of this article.

(8) Adopt rules establishing standards for the competent practice of medicine, osteopathic medicine, or any other form of practice regulated by a limited license or permit issued under this article.

(9) Adopt rules regarding the appropriate prescribing of Schedule III or Schedule IV controlled substances for the purpose of weight reduction or to control obesity.

(10) Adopt rules establishing standards for office based procedures that require moderate sedation, deep sedation, or general anesthesia.

SECTION 452. IC 25-22.5-5-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) The board may authorize the ~~service bureau~~ **agency** to issue temporary medical permits for the practice of medicine or osteopathic medicine. When a temporary medical permit is issued, it is subject to any termination date specified by the board. A temporary medical permit may be issued to any person who:

(1) has completed the academic requirements for the degree of

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doctor of medicine or doctor of osteopathy from a medical school approved by the board; and

(2) desires to obtain postgraduate medical education or training in a medical education institution or hospital located in Indiana which has standards for postgraduate medical education and training satisfactory to the board;

is required to obtain a temporary medical permit unless the graduate possesses an unlimited license to practice medicine or osteopathic medicine in Indiana. Application for the permit must be made to the board subject to this article. A temporary medical permit issued to a person under this subsection for purposes of postgraduate training is valid for a period of one (1) year and may be renewed for additional one (1) year periods at the discretion of the board.

(b) A medical educational institution located in Indiana which has standards satisfactory to the board may, in the board's discretion, secure from it a permit for a person in the active practice of medicine outside the state of Indiana or the United States, but who is not licensed in Indiana, to teach medicine in the institution for an annually renewable period not to exceed one (1) year by filing with the board an application by the institution and the person certifying:

(1) the person's professional qualifications;

(2) the term of the teaching appointment;

(3) the medical subjects to be taught; and

(4) other information and assurances as the board may require.

If the application is approved, the person is entitled to receive a "temporary medical teaching permit" which authorizes the person to teach medicine in the applicant institution for a stated period not to exceed one (1) year. This permit must be kept in the possession of the institution and surrendered by it to the board for cancellation within thirty (30) days after the person has ceased teaching in the institution. The permit authorizes the person to practice in the institution only and, in the course of teaching, to practice those medical or osteopathic medical acts as are usually and customarily performed by a physician teaching in a medical educational institution, but does not authorize the person to practice medicine or osteopathic medicine otherwise.

(c) Any medical educational institution in this state which authorizes or permits a physician to violate this article or which itself violates this section may, in the discretion of the board, be disqualified from further receiving the benefits of this section.

(d) The board may authorize the issuance of a temporary medical permit to a person who will be taking in Indiana for the first time the examination or portion of the examination required by the board. A

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temporary medical permit holder under this subsection shall work under the supervision of a licensed physician, who is in good standing with the board, until the results of the examination taken by the permit holder are published by the board. If the holder of a temporary medical permit under this subsection fails the examination, the board may reissue a temporary medical permit to the holder upon conditions, and for a period of time, that the board considers appropriate.

(e) A person who holds a valid license to practice medicine or osteopathic medicine in the United States, its possessions, or Canada, and who is seeking licensure by endorsement, may be issued a temporary medical permit by the ~~service bureau~~ **agency** upon the authorization of the board. A temporary medical permit issued under this subsection is valid for ninety (90) days or for a period considered appropriate by the board.

(f) A person who is licensed to practice medicine or osteopathic medicine by any board or licensing agency of another state or jurisdiction, and who meets the requirements established by the board under IC 25-22.5-2-7, may be issued a temporary medical permit limited by terms and conditions considered appropriate by the board. A temporary medical permit issued under this subsection is valid for a nonrenewable period of no more than thirty (30) days.

SECTION 453. IC 25-22.5-5-4.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4.5. (a) The board may authorize the ~~service bureau~~ **agency** to issue temporary fellowship permits for the practice of medicine. A temporary fellowship is subject to any termination date specified by the board.

(b) The board may issue a temporary fellowship permit to a graduate of a school located outside the United States, its possessions, or Canada if the graduate:

(1) applies in the form and manner required by the board;

(2) pays a fee set by the board;

(3) has completed the academic requirements for the degree of doctor of medicine from a medical school approved by the board;

(4) has been issued a valid permit by another state for participation in a postgraduate medical education or training program located in a state that has standards for postgraduate medical education and training satisfactory to the board;

(5) has been accepted into a postgraduate medical fellowship training program that:

(A) is affiliated with a medical school located in a state that issued a permit under subdivision (4);

(B) has a training site located in Indiana; and

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(C) has standards for postgraduate medical education and training satisfactory to the board;

(6) provides the board with documentation of the areas of medical practice for which the training is sought;

(7) provides the board with at least two (2) letters of reference documenting the individual's character; and

(8) demonstrates to the board that the individual is a physician of good character who is in good standing outside the United States, its possessions, or Canada where the person normally would practice.

(c) Applications for the temporary fellowship permit for graduates of foreign medical schools must be made to the board subject to this section.

(d) A permit issued under this section expires one (1) year after the date it is issued and, at the discretion of the board, may be renewed for additional one (1) year periods upon the payment of a renewal fee set by the board by rule.

(e) An individual who applies for a temporary fellowship permit under this section is not required to take any step of the United States Medical Licensure Examination.

(f) A temporary fellowship permit must be kept in the possession of the fellowship training institution and surrendered by it to the board within thirty (30) days after the person ceases training in Indiana.

(g) A temporary fellowship permit authorizes a person to practice in the training institution only and, in the course of training, to practice only those medical acts approved by the board but does not authorize the person to practice medicine otherwise.

(h) The board may deny an application for a temporary fellowship permit if the training program that has accepted the applicant has:

(1) violated; or

(2) authorized or permitted a physician to violate;

this section.

(i) A person issued a temporary fellowship permit under this section must file an affidavit that:

(1) is signed by a physician licensed in Indiana;

(2) includes the license number of the signing physician;

(3) attests that the physician will monitor the work of the physician holding the temporary fellowship permit; and

(4) is notarized.

The affidavit must be filed with the ~~bureau~~ **agency** before the person holding the temporary fellowship permit may provide medical services.

(j) This section expires July 1, 2008.

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SECTION 454. IC 25-22.5-6-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. The executive director and staff of the ~~health professions service bureau,~~ **agency,** counsel, investigators, hearing officers, and the board members are immune from civil liability for damages for conduct within the scope and arising out of the performance of their duties.

SECTION 455. IC 25-23-1-16.1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 16.1. (a) A license to practice as a registered nurse expires on October 31 in each odd-numbered year. Failure to renew the license on or before the expiration date will automatically render the license invalid without any action by the board.

(b) A license to practice as a licensed practical nurse expires on October 31 in each even-numbered year. Failure to renew the license on or before the expiration date will automatically render the license invalid without any action by the board.

(c) The procedures and fee for renewal shall be set by the board.

(d) At the time of license renewal, each registered nurse and each licensed practical nurse shall pay a renewal fee, a portion of which shall be for the rehabilitation of impaired registered nurses and impaired licensed practical nurses. The lesser of the following amounts from fees collected under this subsection shall be deposited in the impaired nurses account of the state general fund established by section 34 of this chapter:

(1) Sixteen percent (16%) of the license renewal fee per license renewed under this section.

(2) The cost per license to operate the impaired nurses program, as determined by the ~~health professions bureau.~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency.**

SECTION 456. IC 25-23-1-19.7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 19.7. (a) This subsection applies to an applicant for renewal who has never received a renewal of prescriptive authority under section 19.5 of this chapter and whose prescriptive authority has never lapsed. If the applicant was initially granted prescriptive authority:

(1) less than twelve (12) months before the expiration date of the prescriptive authority, no continuing education is required; or

(2) at least twelve (12) months before the expiration date of the prescriptive authority, the applicant shall, subject to IC 25-1-4-3, attest to the board that the applicant has successfully completed at least fifteen (15) contact hours of continuing education. The hours must:

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(A) be completed after the prescriptive authority was granted and before the expiration of the prescriptive authority;

(B) include at least four (4) contact hours of pharmacology; and

(C) be approved by a nationally approved sponsor of continuing education for nurses, approved by the board, and listed by the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** as approved hours.

(b) This subsection applies to an applicant for renewal of prescriptive authority under section 19.5 of this chapter who is not described in subsection (a). The applicant shall, subject to IC 25-1-4-3, attest to the board that the applicant has successfully completed at least thirty (30) contact hours of continuing education. The hours must:

(1) be completed within the two (2) years immediately preceding the renewal;

(2) include at least eight (8) contact hours of pharmacology; and

(3) be approved by a nationally approved sponsor of continuing education for nurses, be approved by the board, and be listed by the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** as approved hours.

SECTION 457. IC 25-23-1-19.8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 19.8. (a) Before December 31 of an even-numbered year, the ~~bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** or the ~~bureau's~~ **agency's** designee shall randomly audit at least one percent (1%) but not more than ten percent (10%) of the practice agreements of advanced practice nurses with authority to prescribe legend drugs under section 19.5 of this chapter to determine whether the practice agreement meets the requirements of this chapter or rules adopted by the board.

(b) The ~~bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** shall establish an audit procedure, which may include the following:

(1) Requiring the advanced practice nurse to provide the ~~bureau~~ **agency** with a copy of verification of attendance at or completion of a continuing education course or program the advanced practice nurse attended during the previous two (2) years.

(2) Requiring the advanced practice nurse and the licensed practitioner who have entered into a practice agreement to submit information on a form prescribed by the ~~bureau~~ **agency** that must include a sworn statement signed by the advanced practice nurse and the licensed practitioner that the parties are operating within the terms of the practice agreement and the requirements under this chapter or rules adopted by the board.

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(3) Reviewing patient health records and other patient information at the practice location or by requiring the submission of accurate copies to determine if the parties are operating within the terms of the practice agreement and the requirements under this chapter or rules adopted by the board.

(4) After a reasonable determination that the advanced practice nurse and the licensed practitioner who have entered into a practice agreement are not operating within the terms of the practice agreement, requiring the parties to appear before the ~~bureau~~ **agency** or the ~~bureau's~~ **agency's** designee to provide evidence of compliance with the practice agreement.

(c) Not more than sixty (60) days after the completion of the audit required in subsection (a), the ~~bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** shall provide the board with the following:

(1) A summary of the information obtained in the audit.

(2) A statement regarding whether an advanced practice nurse and a licensed practitioner who have entered into a practice agreement that is audited under subsection (a) are operating within the terms of the practice agreement.

The ~~bureau~~ **agency** shall also provide a copy of the information described in this subsection to the board that regulates the licensed practitioner.

(d) The ~~bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** may cause to be served upon the advanced practice nurse an order to show cause to the board as to why the board should not impose disciplinary sanctions under IC 25-1-9-9 on the advanced practice nurse for the advanced practice nurse's failure to comply with:

(1) an audit conducted under this section; or

(2) the requirements of a practice agreement under this chapter.

(e) The board shall hold a hearing in accordance with IC 4-21.5 and state the date, time, and location of the hearing in the order served under subsection (d).

(f) The board that regulates the licensed practitioner may cause to be served upon the licensed practitioner an order to show cause to the board as to why the board should not impose disciplinary sanctions under IC 25-1-9-9 on the licensed practitioner for the licensed practitioner's failure to comply with:

(1) an audit conducted under this section; or

(2) the requirements of a practice agreement under this chapter.

(g) The board that regulates the licensed practitioner shall hold a hearing in accordance with IC 4-21.5 and state the date, time, and location of the hearing in the order served under subsection (f).

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(h) An order to show cause issued under this section must comply with the notice requirements of IC 4-21.5.

(i) The licensed practitioner may divulge health records and other patient information to the ~~bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** or the ~~bureau's~~ **agency's** designee. The licensed practitioner is immune from civil liability for any action based upon release of the patient information under this section.

SECTION 458. IC 25-23-1-34 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 34. (a) The impaired nurses account is established within the state general fund for the purpose of providing money for providing rehabilitation of impaired registered nurses or licensed practical nurses under this article. The account shall be administered by the ~~health professions bureau.~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency.**

(b) Expenses of administering the account shall be paid from money in the account. The account consists of the following:

(1) Funds collected for the rehabilitation of impaired registered nurses and impaired licensed practical nurses under section 16.1(d) of this chapter.

(2) Funds collected under section 31(c)(2) of this chapter.

(3) Funds collected for the rehabilitation of impaired registered nurses and impaired licensed practical nurses under IC 25-23.2-3-5.

(4) Fines collected from registered nurses or licensed practical nurses under IC 25-1-9-9(a)(6).

(c) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the account not currently needed to meet the obligations of the account in the same manner as other public money may be invested.

(d) Money in the account is appropriated to the board for the purpose stated in subsection (a).

SECTION 459. IC 25-23.2-3-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) A nurse who is licensed in a party state and who obtains employment as a nurse in Indiana shall file a multistate licensure privilege form with the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** and pay the fee established by the licensing board. Before commencing employment the nurse shall obtain approval from the licensing board.

(b) Each registered nurse and each licensed practical nurse who holds a multistate licensure privilege in Indiana shall notify the licensing board of a change of address within thirty (30) days after the change.

(c) Notification of multistate licensure privilege as a registered

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nurse expires on October 31 in each odd-numbered year. Failure to update the notification of multistate licensure privilege on or before the expiration date automatically renders the multistate licensure privilege invalid without any action by the licensing board.

(d) Notification of multistate licensure privilege to practice as a licensed practical nurse expires October 31 in each even-numbered year. Failure to update the notification of multistate licensure privilege on or before the expiration date automatically renders the multistate licensure privilege invalid without any action by the licensing board.

(e) Multistate licensure privileges invalidated under this section may not be reinstated.

(f) A nurse whose privileges have been invalidated under this section may obtain new multistate licensure privileges by complying with subsection (a).

(g) The procedures and fee for updating the multistate licensure privilege shall be set by the licensing board.

(h) At the time of updating the notification of multistate licensure privilege, each registered nurse and each licensed practical nurse shall pay the fee for updating the multistate licensure privilege.

(i) Sixteen percent (16%) of the amount of fees collected under this section shall be deposited in the impaired nurses account of the state general fund established by IC 25-23-1-34.

SECTION 460. IC 25-23.2-7-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. The executive director of the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** of each party state, or that person's designee, shall be the administrator of this compact for that person's state.

SECTION 461. IC 25-23.5-5-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. (a) A certificate issued by the committee expires on a date established by the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** under IC 25-1-5-4 in the next even-numbered year following the year in which the certificate was issued.

(b) A person may renew a certificate by paying a renewal fee on or before the expiration date of the certificate.

(c) If a person fails to pay a renewal on or before the expiration date of a certificate, the certificate becomes invalid.

SECTION 462. IC 25-23.7-2-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. "Licensing agency" refers to the Indiana professional licensing agency established by ~~IC 25-1-6-3.~~ **IC 25-1-5-3.**

SECTION 463. IC 25-24-1-14 IS AMENDED TO READ AS

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FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 14. (a) In each even-numbered year, the ~~bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** shall issue a sixty (60) day notice of expiration and a license renewal application in accordance with IC 25-1-5-4 to each optometrist licensed in Indiana. The application shall be mailed to the last known address of the optometrist and shall contain spaces for the insertion of the licensee's name, address, date, and number of the license, and such other information and questions as the board considers necessary. The licensee shall complete, sign, and return the application for license renewal, together with a fee set by the board under section 1 of this chapter, before April 1 of each even-numbered year.

(b) Upon the receipt of the application and fee, and upon the same being properly verified, the board shall issue a renewal of license.

(c) The payment of the renewal fee must be made on or before April 1 of each even-numbered year. The applicant's license expires and becomes invalid if the applicant has not paid the renewal fee by April 1 of each even-numbered year. The license shall be reinstated by the board up to three (3) years after its expiration if the applicant for reinstatement meets the requirements under IC 25-1-8-6.

(d) Reinstatement of an expired license after the expiration of the three (3) year period provided in subsection (c) is dependent upon reexamination of the applicant by the board.

(e) The board may classify a license as inactive if the board receives written notification from a licensee stating that the licensee will not maintain an office or practice optometry in Indiana. The renewal fee for an inactive license is one-half (1/2) the license renewal fee set by the board under section 1 of this chapter.

(f) The holder of an inactive license is not required to fulfill continuing education requirements set by the board. The board may issue a license to the holder of an inactive license if the applicant:

(1) pays the renewal fee set by the board under section 1 of this chapter;

(2) pays the reinstatement fee set by the board under section 1 of this chapter; and

(3) subject to IC 25-1-4-3, attests that the applicant obtained the continuing education required by the board under section 1 of this chapter for each year, or portion of a year during which the applicant's license has been classified as inactive.

SECTION 464. IC 25-24-2-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. In addition to the biennial licensure fee provided for by IC 25-24-1-1, each licensed optometrist, at the time of payment of the biennial licensure fee each

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even-numbered year, shall pay to the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** an additional fee of thirty-four dollars ($34), which shall be deposited in an optometry school account of the state general fund, and all such fees so deposited shall, before the following July 2, be paid to Indiana University to be used by it for the advancement of optometrical research and the maintenance and support of the department in which the science of optometry is taught at the university. A sufficient amount to pay the same is appropriated annually out of such account in the general fund of the state treasury not otherwise appropriated.

SECTION 465. IC 25-26-13-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) The executive director shall keep a record of the proceedings of the board. The record shall contain the names and addresses of all persons who apply to the board for a license or permit and the action taken on each.

(b) The board shall hire and supervise a sufficient number of inspector-investigators to enforce the controlled substances law (IC 35-48). Inspector-investigators hired by the board are employees of the ~~health professions bureau.~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency.**

SECTION 466. IC 25-26-13-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. (a) An applicant for registration as a pharmacist intern or pharmacist extern must furnish proof satisfactory to the board that the applicant is a high school graduate or its equivalent, has obtained a general educational development (GED) diploma, or is enrolled in a pre-pharmacy or pharmacy curriculum at an accredited school of pharmacy. The board may require the applicant to successfully complete an examination prior to registering the applicant as a pharmacist intern or pharmacist extern.

(b) A registration issued under subsection (a) of this section is valid for one (1) year and may be renewed by the board for an additional year until the expiration date established by the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** under IC 25-1-5-4.

(c) An application for registration or renewal must be accompanied by the appropriate fee.

SECTION 467. IC 25-26-13-23 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 23. (a) The board shall establish appropriate fees to carry out this chapter.

(b) All fees are nonrefundable. A receipt shall be issued for all fees and fines submitted.

(c) All fees collected under this section shall be transferred to the treasurer of state and deposited in the general fund of the state.

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(d) The board shall adopt rules to establish fines for violation of an article listed in IC 25-26 or a rule adopted under IC 25-26-13-4, IC 25-26-14-13 or IC 35-48-3-1.

(e) A fine collected by the board shall be transferred to the treasurer of state and deposited in the state general fund.

(f) No fine established under subsection (d) shall be less than twenty-five dollars ($25).

(g) At the time of license renewal, each licensed pharmacist shall pay a renewal fee, a part of which shall be used for the rehabilitation of impaired pharmacists. Notwithstanding subsection (c), the lesser of the following amounts from fees collected under this subsection shall be deposited in the impaired pharmacists account of the state general fund established by section 30 of this chapter:

(1) Sixteen percent (16%) of the license renewal fee for each license renewed under this section.

(2) The amount per license needed to operate the impaired pharmacists program, as determined by the ~~health professions bureau.~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency.**

SECTION 468. IC 25-26-13-30 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 30. (a) The impaired pharmacists account is established within the state general fund to provide money for the rehabilitation of impaired pharmacists under this article. The account shall be administered by the ~~health professions bureau.~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency.**

(b) Expenses of administering the account shall be paid from money in the account. The account consists of money collected under section 4.5(b) of this chapter.

(c) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the account not currently needed to meet the obligations of the account in the same manner as other public money may be invested. Money remaining in the account at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund.

(d) There is appropriated to the board from the account an amount sufficient to carry out the purpose described in subsection (a).

SECTION 469. IC 25-26-14-21 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 21. (a) A wholesale drug distributor license expires at midnight of the renewal date specified by the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** under IC 25-1-5-4 in each even-numbered year.

(b) The board shall mail renewal application forms to each licensed wholesale drug distributor before the first day of the month before the month in which the license expires. If an application for renewal has

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not been filed and the required fee paid before the license expiration date, the wholesale drug distributor license shall lapse and become void.

(c) A lapsed license may be reinstated only by meeting the requirements under IC 25-1-8-6.

(d) A wholesale drug distributor may not be open for business after the license has lapsed, until the renewal is completed.

SECTION 470. IC 25-26-19-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. (a) A pharmacy technician certificate expires on a date set by the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** in each even-numbered year.

(b) An application for renewal of a pharmacy technician certificate must be accompanied by the appropriate fee.

(c) If a person fails to renew a pharmacy technician certificate, the certificate may be reinstated by meeting the requirements under IC 25-1-8-6.

(d) The board may require a person who applies for a certificate under subsection (c) to appear before the board and explain the reason why the person failed to renew a pharmacy technician certificate.

SECTION 471. IC 25-27-1-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. (a) The committee shall license as a physical therapist each applicant who:

(1) successfully passes the examination provided for in this chapter; and

(2) is otherwise qualified as required by this chapter.

(b) All licenses and certificates issued by the committee expire on the date of each even-numbered year specified by the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** under IC 25-1-5-4. A renewal fee established by the board after consideration of any recommendation of the committee must be paid biennially on or before the date specified by the ~~health professions bureau,~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency,** and if not paid on or before that date, the license or certificate becomes invalid, without further action by the committee. A penalty fee set by the board after consideration of any recommendation of the committee shall be in effect for any reinstatement within three (3) years from the original date of expiration.

(c) An expired license or certificate may be reinstated by the committee up to three (3) years after the expiration date if the holder of the expired license or certificate:

(1) pays a penalty fee set by the board after consideration of any

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recommendation of the committee; and

(2) pays the renewal fees for the biennium.

If more than three (3) years have elapsed since expiration of the license or certificate, the holder may be reexamined by the committee. The board may adopt, after consideration of any recommendation of the committee, rules setting requirements for reinstatement of an expired license.

(d) The committee may issue not more than two (2) temporary permits to a physical therapist or physical therapist's assistant. A person with a temporary permit issued under this subsection may practice physical therapy only under the direct supervision of a licensed physical therapist who is responsible for the patient. A temporary permit may be issued to any person who has paid a fee set by the board after consideration of any recommendation of the committee and who:

(1) has a valid license from another state to practice physical therapy, or has a valid certificate from another state to act as a physical therapist's assistant; or

(2) has applied for and been approved by the committee to take the examination for licensure or certification, has not previously failed the licensure or certification examination in Indiana or any other state, and has:

(A) graduated from a school or program of physical therapy; or

(B) graduated from a two (2) year college level education program for physical therapist's assistants that meets the standards set by the committee.

The applicant must take the examination within the time limits set by the committee.

(e) A temporary permit issued under subsection (d) expires when the applicant becomes licensed or certified, or approved for endorsement licensing or certification by the committee, or when the application for licensure has been disapproved, whichever occurs first. An application for licensure or certification is disapproved and any temporary permit based upon the application expires when the applicant fails to take the examination within the time limits set by the committee or when the committee receives notification of the applicant's failure to pass any required examination in Indiana or any other state.

(f) A holder of a license or certificate under this chapter who intends to retire from practice shall notify the committee in writing. Upon receipt of the notice, the committee shall record the fact that the holder of the license or certificate is retired and release the person from

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further payment of renewal fees. If a holder of the license or certificate surrenders a license or certificate, reinstatement of the license or certificate may be considered by the committee upon written request. The committee may impose conditions it considers appropriate to the surrender or reinstatement of a surrendered license or certificate. A license or certificate may not be surrendered to the committee without the written consent of the committee if any disciplinary proceedings are pending against a holder of a license or certificate under this chapter.

SECTION 472. IC 25-27.5-4-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) A certificate issued by the committee expires on a date established by the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** under IC 25-1-5-4 in the next even-numbered year following the year in which the certificate was issued.

(b) An individual may renew a certificate by paying a renewal fee on or before the expiration date of the certificate.

(c) If an individual fails to pay a renewal on or before the expiration date of a certificate, the certificate becomes invalid.

SECTION 473. IC 25-28.5-1-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. As used in this chapter:

(1) "Plumbing" means the practice of and the materials and fixtures used in the installation, maintenance, extension, and alteration of all piping, fixtures, appliances, and appurtenances in connection with any of the following:

(A) Sanitary drainage or storm drainage facilities, the venting system, and the public or private water supply systems, within or adjacent to any building or structure.

(B) The practice and materials used in the installation, maintenance, extension, or alteration of the stormwater, liquid waste, or sewerage, and water supply systems of any premises to the private property line or to their connection with any point of public disposal or other acceptable terminal.

The term does not include the planning, designing, and installation of sanitation and water systems in vehicles commonly known as mobile homes, the drilling of wells, the installation of pumps, pressure tanks, and piping incidental to the drilling or repair of a well system, the sale or installation of water softening equipment and apparatuses and services of the same, or the business of manufacturing or selling plumbing fixtures; appliances, equipment, or hardware; the installation of automatic sprinklers, the overhead or underground water supplies or standpipes when connected to an automatic sprinkler system or to their

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related devices or appurtenances connecting thereto; nor does the term include the work referred to in section 32(i) of this chapter; nor does the term include the planning or design of water supply or sewage systems which would ordinarily be performed as "the practice of engineering", as defined in IC 25-31-1, or the "practice of architecture", as defined in IC 25-4-1.

(2) "Plumbing contractor" means any person who, for compensation, undertakes to, or submits a bid to, or does himself **or herself** or by others, construct, repair, alter, remodel, add to, subtract from, or improve plumbing and who is responsible for substantially all the plumbing within the entire project, or one who fabricates units or plumbing substantially completed and ready for installation.

(3) "Journeyman plumber" means a person who engages or offers to engage in, as an occupation or trade, the construction, installation, alteration, maintenance, repair, remodeling, or removal and replacement of plumbing under the supervision, direction, and responsibility of a licensed plumbing contractor.

(4) "Maintenance man" means a person who is employed on a permanent basis to keep the premises of a business establishment in good repair.

(5) "Contracting" means, except as exempted in this chapter, engaging in a business as a contractor.

(6) "Person" means a natural person, except in the case of a plumbing contractor, in which case it may mean the partners or members of a partnership, limited partnership, or any form of unincorporated enterprise, owned by two (2) or more persons, and as applied to "corporation" in addition to the corporate entity means the officers or directors and employees thereof.

(7) "Commission" means the Indiana plumbing commission created by this chapter.

(8) "License" means a certificate issued by the commission established by this chapter which confers upon the holder the privilege to act as a plumbing contractor or a journeyman plumber as defined in this chapter.

(9) "Farmstead" means a farm dwelling together with other buildings, structures, equipment, piping, and other plumbing materials and supplies, located upon a parcel of real estate used primarily for agricultural purposes located outside the corporate limits of a municipality and not connected to a public water supply.

(10) "Licensing agency" means the Indiana professional licensing agency established under ~~IC 25-1-6.~~ **IC 25-1-5-3.**

(11) "Apprentice plumber" means an individual who:

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(A) is learning the plumbing trade; and

(B) is under the direction and immediate supervision of a licensed plumbing contractor or a licensed journeyman plumber.

(12) "Registration" means the granting of a certificate by the commission that authorizes an individual to act as an apprentice plumber.

SECTION 474. IC 25-29-1-9.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 9.5. "Agency" refers to the Indiana professional licensing agency established by IC 25-1-5-3.**

SECTION 475. IC 25-29-2-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. The ~~bureau~~ **agency** shall keep a record of all licenses and applications for licensure. The record must contain all the facts in the application, including the action of the board on the application.

SECTION 476. IC 25-29-2-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. The ~~bureau~~ **agency** shall receive and account for all money collected under this article and deposit the money in the state general fund with the treasurer of state.

SECTION 477. IC 25-29-6-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. A license to practice podiatric medicine expires on a date established by the ~~bureau~~ **agency** under IC 25-1-5-4 in each odd-numbered year.

SECTION 478. IC 25-30-1-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. As used in this chapter:

(1) "Person" means an individual, a firm, a company, an association, an organization, a partnership, or a corporation.

(2) "Licensee" means a person licensed under this chapter.

(3) "Private detective" means a person who conducts a private detective business with or without the assistance of an employee.

(4) "Private detective business" means the business of:

(A) making, for hire or reward, investigation or investigations for the purpose of obtaining information with reference to:

(i) a crime against the state or wrongs done or threatened;

(ii) the habits, conduct, movements, whereabouts, association, transactions, reputation, or character of a person;

(iii) credibility of witnesses or other persons;

(iv) the location or recovery of lost or stolen property;

(v) the causes, origin, or responsibility for fires or accidents

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or injuries to real or personal property; or

(vi) the truth or falsity of a statement or representation;

(B) securing, for hire or reward, evidence to be used for authorized investigation committees or boards of award or arbitration or in the trial of civil or criminal cases; or

(C) furnishing, for hire or reward, a guard or guards or other persons to protect persons or property or to prevent the misappropriation or concealment of goods, wares and merchandise, money, bonds, stocks, choses in action, notes, or other valuable documents or papers.

(5) "Industrial plant" means a factory, business, or concern that is engaged primarily in the manufacture or assembly of goods or the processing of raw materials, or both.

(6) "Board" refers to the private detectives licensing board established under section 5.1 of this chapter.

(7) "Licensing agency" refers to the Indiana professional licensing agency established under ~~IC 25-1-6.~~ **IC 25-1-5-3.**

(8) "Resident" means a person who has established an actual domicile in Indiana.

SECTION 479. IC 25-31-1-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. As used in this chapter:

(a) "Board" means the state board of registration for professional engineers.

(b) "Professional engineer" means an individual who, by reason of that individual's special knowledge of the mathematical and physical sciences and the principles and methods of engineering analysis and design which are acquired by education and practical experience, is qualified to engage in the practice of engineering as attested by that individual's registration as a professional engineer.

(c) "Engineering intern" means an individual who:

(1) is a graduate from an approved engineering curriculum of four (4) years or more or who has acquired, through engineering education and experience in engineering work, knowledge and skill approximating that obtained by graduation in an approved engineering curriculum of four (4) years or more;

(2) has successfully passed an examination as prescribed in section 14 of this chapter; and

(3) has been issued by the board an appropriate certificate of enrollment as an engineering intern.

(d) "Practice of engineering" means any service or creative work that the adequate performance of requires engineering education,

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training, and experience in the application of special knowledge of the mathematical, physical, and engineering sciences to services or creative work that includes the following:

(1) Consultation.

(2) Investigation.

(3) Evaluation.

(4) Planning, including planning the use of land and water.

(5) The design of or the supervision of the design of engineering works and systems.

(6) Engineering surveys and studies or the supervision of engineering surveys and studies, including all surveying activities required to support the sound conception, planning, design, construction, maintenance, and operation of engineered projects, but not including the surveying of real property for the establishment of land boundaries, subdivisions, rights-of-way, easements, and the dependent or independent surveys or resurveys of the public land survey system.

(7) Evaluation of construction for the purpose of assuring compliance with specifications, plans, and designs, in connection with any public or private utilities, structures, buildings, machines, equipment, processes, work systems, or projects.

The term "practice of engineering" does not include the work ordinarily performed by persons who operate or maintain machinery or equipment.

(e) "Approved engineering curriculum" means an engineering curriculum of four (4) years or more that has been approved by the board. In approving the engineering curriculum, the board may take into consideration the standards of accreditation adopted by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology.

(f) "Practice or offer to practice engineering" means the act of an individual or a business who by verbal claim, sign, advertisement, letterhead, card, telephone listing, or in any other way represents the individual or the business to be a professional engineer or who performs, or offers to perform, any acts or work involving the practice of engineering.

(g) "Licensing agency" means the Indiana professional licensing agency established ~~under IC 25-1-6.~~ **by IC 25-1-5-3.**

SECTION 480. IC 25-32-1-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. (a) The members of the board shall annually elect from their number a chairman and vice chairman.

(b) The board shall supervise the enforcement of the provisions of

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this chapter and possess the necessary authority to fulfill its duties as prescribed in this chapter. The board may utilize on a full or part-time basis such employees as are necessary to maintain records, pertinent to the examination and registration of environmental health specialists or to assist in any manner in the performance of duties as required under the chapter. The board may also utilize the staff of the ~~health professions bureau.~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency.**

(c) Subject to IC 25-1-7, the board may hold hearings for the purpose of administrative adjudication of such matters as may properly come before it, make the necessary determinations, and issue such orders as may be consistent with the findings.

(d) The board may establish the procedures for conducting examinations and for obtaining the certificates and permits required by this chapter and methods by which the qualifications of an applicant shall be evaluated.

(e) The board may adopt reasonable rules to carry out and enforce the provisions of this chapter. The board shall adopt rules establishing standards for the competent practice of an environmental health specialist.

(f) The board shall issue a certificate of registration, upon the payment of the registration fee set by the board, to any applicant, who, in the opinion of the board, has satisfactorily met all requirements of this chapter.

(g) The board shall meet at least once a year to transact necessary business. Four (4) members of the board constitute a quorum. Special meetings of the board may be called by the chairman or shall be called upon written request of any three (3) members of the board. A majority of a quorum may transact business.

(h) Each member of the board who is not a state employee is entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). Such a member is also entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties, as provided in the state travel policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

(i) Each member of the board who is a state employee but who is not a member of the general assembly is entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties, as provided in the state travel policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

SECTION 481. IC 25-33-1-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS

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FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) As used in this article:

"Appraisal instrument" means:

(1) a career and occupational instrument;

(2) an adaptive behavioral and symptom screening checklist; or

(3) an inventory of interests and preferences;

that is administered for the purpose of counseling individuals to cope with or adapt to changing life situations or to situations that are due to problems in living. The term includes marital, relational, communicational, parent and child, family system assessment instruments, and employment counseling.

"Board" means the state psychology board.

"Person" means an individual, firm, partnership, association, or corporation.

"Practice of psychology" includes the following:

(1) Construction, administration, and interpretation of tests of intellectual and cognitive abilities, aptitudes, skills, interests, attitudes, personality characteristics, perception, emotion, motivation, and opinion.

(2) Diagnosis and treatment of mental and behavioral disorders by a health service provider in psychology.

(3) Educational and vocational planning and guidance.

(4) Personnel selection and management.

(5) Arrangement of effective work and learning situations.

(6) Resolution of interpersonal and social conflicts.

(7) Techniques used in interviewing, counseling, psychotherapy, and behavior modification of individuals or groups.

(8) Supervision of psychological services.

(9) Teaching of any of the practices listed in this subsection.

(10) The planning and conduct of research on human behavior.

"Psychological services" means acts or behaviors coming within the purview of the practice of psychology (as defined in this article).

"Recognized institution of higher learning" means any college, university, school, or similar educational establishment approved by the board for the purposes of this article.

~~"Bureau"~~ **"Agency"** means the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** under IC 25-1-5.

"Approved organization" means any organization or individual approved by the board.

"Continuing education course" means an orderly process of instruction that is designed to directly enhance the practicing psychologist's knowledge and skill in providing relevant psychological

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services, and that is approved by an approved organization.

(b) Nothing in this article shall be construed as permitting individuals licensed as psychologists to engage in any manner in the practice of medicine or optometry (as defined in the laws of this state).

(c) Nothing in this article shall be construed as permitting a psychologist to prescribe medication, unless a psychologist is participating in a federal government sponsored training or treatment program. An individual licensed as a psychologist may not prescribe medication unless the individual is a practitioner (as defined under IC 16-42-19-5).

SECTION 482. IC 25-33-1-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 196, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.246-2005, SECTION 211, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. (a) There is created a board to be known as the "state psychology board". The board shall consist of seven (7) members appointed by the governor. Six (6) of the board members shall be licensed under this article and shall have had at least five (5) years of experience as a professional psychologist prior to their appointment. The seventh member shall be appointed to represent the general public, must be a resident of this state, must never have been credentialed in a mental health profession, and must in no way be associated with the profession of psychology other than as a consumer. All members shall be appointed for a term of three (3) years. All members may serve until their successors are duly appointed and qualified. A vacancy occurring on the board shall be filled by the governor by appointment. The member so appointed shall serve for the unexpired term of the vacating member. Each member of the board is entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). Such a member is also entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties, as provided in the state travel policies and procedures established by the *Indiana* department of administration and approved by the state budget agency.

(b) The members of the board shall organize by the election of a chairman and a vice chairman from among its membership. Such officers shall serve for a term of one (1) year. The board shall meet at least once in each calendar year and on such other occasions as it considers necessary and advisable. A meeting of the board may be called by its chairman or by a majority of the members on the board. Four (4) members of the board constitute a quorum. A majority of the quorum may transact business.

(c) The board is empowered to do the following:

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(1) Establish reasonable application, examination, and renewal procedures and set fees for licensure under this article. However, no fee collected under this article shall, under any circumstances, be refunded.

(2) Adopt and enforce rules concerning assessment of costs in disciplinary proceedings before the board.

(3) Establish examinations of applicants for licensure under this article and issue, deny, suspend, revoke, and renew licenses.

(4) Subject to IC 25-1-7, investigate and conduct hearings, upon complaint against individuals licensed or not licensed under this article, concerning alleged violation of this article, under procedures conducted in accordance with IC 4-21.5.

(5) Initiate the prosecution and enjoinder of any person violating this article.

(6) Adopt rules which are necessary for the proper performance of its duties, in accordance with IC 4-22-2.

(7) Establish a code of professional conduct.

(d) The board shall adopt rules establishing standards for the competent practice of psychology.

(e) All expenses incurred in the administration of this article shall be paid from the general fund upon appropriation being made in the manner provided by law for the making of such appropriations.

(f) The bureau shall do the following:

(1) Carry out the administrative functions of the board.

(2) Provide necessary personnel to carry out the duties of this article.

(3) Receive and account for all fees required under this article.

(4) Deposit fees collected with the treasurer of ~~*the*~~ state for deposit in the state general fund.

(g) The board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to establish, maintain, and update a list of restricted psychology tests and instruments (as defined in section 14(b) of this chapter) containing those psychology tests and instruments that, because of their design or complexity, create a danger to the public by being improperly administered and interpreted by an individual other than:

(1) a psychologist licensed under IC 25-33-1-5.1;

(2) an appropriately trained mental health provider under the direct supervision of a health service provider endorsed under IC 25-33-1-5.1(c);

(3) a qualified physician licensed under IC 25-22.5;

(4) a school psychologist who holds a valid:

(A) license issued by the ~~*professional standards board*~~

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department of education under IC 20-28-2; or

(B) endorsement under ~~*IC 20-20-28-12;*~~ *IC 20-28-12;*

practicing within the scope of the school psychologist's license or endorsement; or

(5) a minister, priest, rabbi, or other member of the clergy providing pastoral counseling or other assistance.

(h) The board shall provide to:

(1) the social work certification and marriage and family therapists credentialing board; and

(2) any other interested party upon receiving the request of the interested party;

a list of the names of tests and instruments proposed for inclusion on the list of restricted psychological tests and instruments under subsection (g) at least sixty (60) days before publishing notice of intent under IC 4-22-2-23 to adopt a rule regarding restricted tests and instruments.

(i) The social work certification and marriage and family therapists credentialing board and any other interested party that receives the list under subsection (h) may offer written comments or objections regarding a test or instrument proposed for inclusion on the list of restricted tests and instruments within sixty (60) days after receiving the list. If:

(1) the comments or objections provide evidence indicating that a proposed test or instrument does not meet the criteria established for restricted tests and instruments, the board may delete that test from the list of restricted tests; and

(2) the board determines that a proposed test or instrument meets the criteria for restriction after reviewing objections to the test or instrument, the board shall respond in writing to justify its decision to include the proposed test or instrument on the list of restricted tests and instruments.

(j) This section may not be interpreted to prevent a licensed or certified health care professional from practicing within the scope of the health care professional's:

(1) license or certification; and

(2) training or credentials.

SECTION 483. IC 25-34.1-1-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.2-2005, SECTION 71, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. As used in this article:

(1) "Person" means an individual, a partnership, a corporation, or a limited liability company.

(2) "Commission" means the Indiana real estate commission.

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(3) "Real estate" means any right, title, or interest in real property.
(4) "Broker" means a person who, for consideration, sells, buys, trades, exchanges, options, leases, rents, manages, lists, or appraises real estate or negotiates or offers to perform any of those acts.
(5) "Salesperson" means an individual, other than a broker, who, for consideration and in association with and under the auspices of a broker, sells, buys, trades, exchanges, options, leases, rents, manages, or lists real estate or negotiates or offers to perform any of those acts.
(6) "Broker-salesperson" means an individual broker who is acting in association with and under the auspices of another broker.
(7) "Principal broker" means a broker who is not acting as a broker-salesperson.
(8) "License" means a broker or salesperson license issued under this article and which is not expired, suspended, or revoked.
(9) "Licensee" means a person who holds a license issued under this article. The term does not include a person who holds a real estate appraiser license or certificate issued under the real estate appraiser licensure and certification program established under IC 25-34.1-3-8.
(10) "Course approval" means approval of a broker or salesperson course granted under this article which is not expired, suspended, or revoked.
(11) "Licensing agency" means the Indiana professional licensing agency established by ~~IC 25-1-6-3.~~ **IC 25-1-5-3.**
(12) "Board" refers to the real estate appraiser licensure and certification board established under IC 25-34.1-8-1.
(13) "Commercial real estate" means a parcel of real estate other than real estate containing one (1) to four (4) residential units. This term does not include single family residential units such as:
(A) condominiums;
(B) townhouses;
(C) manufactured homes; or
(D) homes in a subdivision;
when sold, leased, or otherwise conveyed on a unit-by-unit basis, even if those units are part of a larger building or parcel of real estate containing more than four (4) residential units.
(14) "Out-of-state commercial broker" includes a person, a partnership, an association, a limited liability company, a limited liability partnership, or a corporation that is licensed to do

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business as a broker in a jurisdiction other than Indiana.

(15) "Out-of-state commercial salesperson" includes a person affiliated with an out-of-state commercial broker who is not licensed as a salesperson under this article.

SECTION 484. IC 25-35.6-1-7, AS ADDED BY P.L.212-2005, SECTION 67, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. (a) The professional standards board may issue an initial license as a speech-language pathologist only to an individual who is licensed as a speech-language pathologist under this article. The professional standards board shall issue a license as a speech-language pathologist to an individual who:

(1) is licensed as a speech-language pathologist under this article; and

(2) requests licensure.

(b) A speech-language pathologist licensed by the professional standards board shall register with the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** all speech-language pathology support personnel that the speech-language pathologist supervises.

(c) The professional standards board may not impose different or additional supervision requirements upon speech-language pathology support personnel than the supervision requirements that are imposed under this article.

(d) The professional standards board may not impose continuing education requirements upon an individual who receives a license under this section that are different from or in addition to the continuing education requirements imposed under this article.

(e) An individual who:

(1) if:

(A) the individual is a speech-language pathologist, receives a license under this section or received a license as a speech-language pathologist issued by the professional standards board before July 1, 2005; or

(B) the individual is an audiologist, works in an educational setting;

(2) has been the holder of a certificate of clinical competence in speech-language pathology or audiology or its equivalent issued by a nationally recognized association for speech-language pathology and audiology for at least three (3) consecutive years; and

(3) has professional experience as a licensed speech-language pathologist or audiologist in a school setting that is equivalent to the experience required for a teacher seeking national certification

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by the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards;

is considered to have the equivalent of and is entitled to the same benefits that accrue to a holder of a national certification issued by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards.

SECTION 485. IC 25-35.6-3-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. Any fees required by this article shall be established by the board by rule and collected by the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** under IC 25-1-8-2.

SECTION 486. IC 26-3-7-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) There is created in the ~~office of the lieutenant governor~~ **department of agriculture** an agency to be known as the "Indiana grain buyers and warehouse licensing agency" to administer ~~the provisions of~~ this chapter. The ~~lieutenant governor~~ **director of the department of agriculture** may appoint the director of the agency, who shall serve at the pleasure of the ~~lieutenant governor.~~ **director of the department of agriculture.** The director shall administer this chapter and shall be the ultimate authority in the administration of this chapter.

(b) The agency may employ all necessary employees, counsel, and consultants to carry out the provisions of this chapter and is vested with the power necessary to fully and effectively carry out the provisions and objectives of this chapter.

SECTION 487. IC 26-3-7-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. The following definitions apply throughout this chapter:

(1) "Agency" refers to the Indiana grain buyers and warehouse licensing agency established under section 1 of this chapter.

(2) "Anniversary date" means the date that is ninety (90) calendar days after the fiscal year end of a business licensed under this chapter.

(3) "Bin" means a bin, tank, interstice, or other container in a warehouse in which bulk grain may be stored.

(4) "Buyer-warehouse" means a person that operates both as a warehouse licensed under this chapter and as a grain buyer.

(5) "Claimant" means a person that is unable to secure satisfaction of the financial obligations due from a licensee under this chapter for grain that has been delivered to the licensee for sale or for storage under a bailment.

(6) "Deferred pricing" or "price later" means a purchase by a buyer in which title to the grain passes to the buyer and the price to be paid to the seller is not determined:

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(A) at the time the grain is received by the buyer; or
(B) within ten (10) days of receipt.

(7) "Depositor" means any of the following:

(A) A person that delivers grain to a licensee under this chapter for storage or sale.

(B) A person that:

(i) owns or is the legal holder of a ticket or receipt issued by a licensee for grain received by the licensee; and

(ii) is the creditor of the issuing licensee for the value of the grain received in return for the ticket or receipt.

(C) A licensee that stores grain that the licensee owns solely, jointly, or in common with others in a warehouse owned or controlled by the licensee or another licensee.

(8) "Designated representative" means the person or persons designated by the director to act instead of the director in assisting in the administration of this chapter.

(9) "Director" means the director of the Indiana grain buyers and warehouse licensing agency appointed under section 1 of this chapter.

~~(9)~~ **(10)** "Facility" means a location or one (1) of several locations in Indiana that are operated as a warehouse or by a grain buyer.

~~(10)~~ **(11)** "Failure" means any of the following:

(A) The inability of a licensee to financially satisfy claimants.

(B) Public declaration of a licensee's insolvency.

(C) Revocation or suspension of a licensee's license, if the licensee has outstanding indebtedness owed to claimants.

(D) Nonpayment of a licensee's debts in the ordinary course of business, if there is not a good faith dispute.

(E) Voluntary surrender of a licensee's license, if the licensee has outstanding indebtedness to claimants.

~~(11)~~ **(12)** "Grain" means corn for all uses, popcorn, wheat, oats, barley, rye, sorghum, soybeans, oil seeds, other agricultural commodities as approved by the agency, and seed as defined in this ~~chapter.~~ **section.** The term does not include canning crops for processing, sweet corn, or flint corn.

~~(12)~~ **(13)** "Grain assets" means any of the following:

(A) All grain owned or stored by a licensee, including grain that:

(i) is in transit following shipment by a licensee; and

(ii) has not been paid for.

(B) All proceeds, due or to become due, from the sale of a licensee's grain.

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(C) Equity, less any secured financing directly associated with the equity, in hedging or speculative margin accounts of a licensee held by a commodity or security exchange, or a dealer representing a commodity or security exchange, and any money due the licensee from transactions on the exchange, less any secured financing directly associated with the money due the licensee from the transactions on the exchange.

(D) Any other unencumbered funds, property, or equity in funds or property, wherever located, that can be directly traced to the sale of grain by a licensee. However, funds, property, or equity in funds or property may not be considered encumbered unless:

(i) the encumbrance results from valuable consideration paid to the licensee in good faith by a secured party; and

(ii) the encumbrance did not result from the licensee posting the funds, property, or equity in funds or property as additional collateral for an antecedent debt.

(E) Any other unencumbered funds, property, or equity in assets of the licensee.

~~(13)~~ **(14)** "Grain bank grain" means grain owned by a depositor for use in the formulation of feed and stored by the warehouse to be returned to the depositor on demand.

~~(14)~~ **(15)** "Grain buyer" means a person who is engaged in the business of buying grain from producers. The term does not include a buyer of grain who:

(A) buys less than fifty thousand (50,000) bushels of grain annually;

(B) buys grain for the sole purpose of feeding the person's own livestock or poultry and derives a major portion of the person's income from selling that livestock or poultry; or

(C) does not offer storage, deferred pricing, delayed payment, or contracts or other instruments that are linked to the commodity futures or commodity options market.

~~(15)~~ **(16)** "Grain standards act" means the United States Grain Standards Act, approved August 11, 1916 (39 Stat. 482; 7 U.S.C. 71-87 as amended).

~~(16)~~ **(17)** "License" means a license issued under this chapter.

~~(17)~~ **(18)** "Official grain standards of the United States" means the standards of quality or condition for grain, fixed and established by the secretary of agriculture under the grain standards act.

~~(18)~~ **(19)** "Person" means an individual, partnership, corporation, association, or other form of business enterprise.

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~~(19)~~ **(20)** "Receipt" means a warehouse receipt issued by a warehouse licensed under this chapter.

~~(20)~~ **(21)** "Seed", notwithstanding IC 15-4-1, means grain set apart to be used primarily for the purpose of producing new plants.

~~(21)~~ **(22)** "Ticket" means a scale weight ticket, a load slip, or other evidence, other than a receipt, given to a depositor upon initial delivery of grain to a facility.

~~(22)~~ **(23)** "Warehouse act" means the United States Warehouse Act, approved August 11, 1916 (39 Stat. 486; 7 U.S.C. 241-273 as amended).

~~(23)~~ **(24)** "Warehouse" means a person that operates a facility or group of facilities in which grain is or may be stored for hire or which is used for grain bank storage and which is operated under one (1) ownership and run from a single office.

SECTION 488. IC 26-4-1-13 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 13. "Grain" means corn for all uses, popcorn, wheat, oats, rye, soybeans, barley, sorghum, oil seeds, other agricultural commodities as approved by the agency, and seed (as defined in ~~IC 26-3-7-2(20)).~~ **IC 26-3-7-2(21)).** The term does not include canning crops for processing, sweet corn, or flint corn.

SECTION 489. IC 27-2-13-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. As used in this chapter:

(a) "Authorized agency" means:

(1) ~~the office of~~ the state fire marshal or a fire department acting under IC 36-8-17;

(2) the superintendent of the state police;

(3) the prosecuting attorney responsible for prosecutions in the county where the fire occurred;

(4) the attorney general; and

(5) an arson investigator.

(b) "Relevant" refers to information having any tendency to make the existence of any fact that is of consequence to the investigation or determination of a fire loss more probable or less probable than it would have been without the evidence.

(c) "Insurer" has the same meaning as in IC 27-1-2-3(x) and includes the Indiana FAIR plan.

(d) "Arson investigator" means an officer of a unit of local government whose duties include the investigation of arson.

SECTION 490. IC 27-2-13-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. (a) When an

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insurer has reason to believe that a fire loss in which it has an interest was caused by a means that was not accidental, then, for the purpose of notification and for having that fire loss investigated, the company shall, in writing, notify an authorized agency and provide that agency with all material developed from the insurer's inquiry into the fire loss.

(b) When an insurer provides an authorized agency with notice of a fire loss, it shall be considered sufficient notice for the purpose of this chapter. However, the insurer shall provide the ~~office of the~~ state fire marshal a copy of the information provided under subsection (a), if the notice was provided to an authorized agency other than the ~~office of the~~ state fire marshal.

SECTION 491. IC 27-4-1-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.39-2005, SECTION 2, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.138-2005, SECTION 1, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. The following are hereby defined as unfair methods of competition and unfair and deceptive acts and practices in the business of insurance:

(1) Making, issuing, circulating, or causing to be made, issued, or circulated, any estimate, illustration, circular, or statement:

(A) misrepresenting the terms of any policy issued or to be issued or the benefits or advantages promised thereby or the dividends or share of the surplus to be received thereon;

(B) making any false or misleading statement as to the dividends or share of surplus previously paid on similar policies;

(C) making any misleading representation or any misrepresentation as to the financial condition of any insurer, or as to the legal reserve system upon which any life insurer operates;

(D) using any name or title of any policy or class of policies misrepresenting the true nature thereof; or

(E) making any misrepresentation to any policyholder insured in any company for the purpose of inducing or tending to induce such policyholder to lapse, forfeit, or surrender the policyholder's insurance.

(2) Making, publishing, disseminating, circulating, or placing before the public, or causing, directly or indirectly, to be made, published, disseminated, circulated, or placed before the public, in a newspaper, magazine, or other publication, or in the form of a notice, circular, pamphlet, letter, or poster, or over any radio or television station, or in any other way, an advertisement, announcement, or statement containing any assertion,

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representation, or statement with respect to any person in the conduct of the person's insurance business, which is untrue, deceptive, or misleading.

(3) Making, publishing, disseminating, or circulating, directly or indirectly, or aiding, abetting, or encouraging the making, publishing, disseminating, or circulating of any oral or written statement or any pamphlet, circular, article, or literature which is false, or maliciously critical of or derogatory to the financial condition of an insurer, and which is calculated to injure any person engaged in the business of insurance.

(4) Entering into any agreement to commit, or individually or by a concerted action committing any act of boycott, coercion, or intimidation resulting or tending to result in unreasonable restraint of, or a monopoly in, the business of insurance.

(5) Filing with any supervisory or other public official, or making, publishing, disseminating, circulating, or delivering to any person, or placing before the public, or causing directly or indirectly, to be made, published, disseminated, circulated, delivered to any person, or placed before the public, any false statement of financial condition of an insurer with intent to deceive. Making any false entry in any book, report, or statement of any insurer with intent to deceive any agent or examiner lawfully appointed to examine into its condition or into any of its affairs, or any public official to which such insurer is required by law to report, or which has authority by law to examine into its condition or into any of its affairs, or, with like intent, willfully omitting to make a true entry of any material fact pertaining to the business of such insurer in any book, report, or statement of such insurer.

(6) Issuing or delivering or permitting agents, officers, or employees to issue or deliver, agency company stock or other capital stock, or benefit certificates or shares in any common law corporation, or securities or any special or advisory board contracts or other contracts of any kind promising returns and profits as an inducement to insurance.

(7) Making or permitting any of the following:

(A) Unfair discrimination between individuals of the same class and equal expectation of life in the rates or assessments charged for any contract of life insurance or of life annuity or in the dividends or other benefits payable thereon, or in any other of the terms and conditions of such contract; however, in determining the class, consideration may be given to the nature of the risk, plan of insurance, the actual or expected

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expense of conducting the business, or any other relevant factor.

(B) Unfair discrimination between individuals of the same class involving essentially the same hazards in the amount of premium, policy fees, assessments, or rates charged or made for any policy or contract of accident or health insurance or in the benefits payable thereunder, or in any of the terms or conditions of such contract, or in any other manner whatever; however, in determining the class, consideration may be given to the nature of the risk, the plan of insurance, the actual or expected expense of conducting the business, or any other relevant factor.

(C) Excessive or inadequate charges for premiums, policy fees, assessments, or rates, or making or permitting any unfair discrimination between persons of the same class involving essentially the same hazards, in the amount of premiums, policy fees, assessments, or rates charged or made for:

(i) policies or contracts of reinsurance or joint reinsurance, or abstract and title insurance;

(ii) policies or contracts of insurance against loss or damage to aircraft, or against liability arising out of the ownership, maintenance, or use of any aircraft, or of vessels or craft, their cargoes, marine builders' risks, marine protection and indemnity, or other risks commonly insured under marine, as distinguished from inland marine, insurance; or

(iii) policies or contracts of any other kind or kinds of insurance whatsoever.

However, nothing contained in clause (C) shall be construed to apply to any of the kinds of insurance referred to in clauses (A) and (B) nor to reinsurance in relation to such kinds of insurance. Nothing in clause (A), (B), or (C) shall be construed as making or permitting any excessive, inadequate, or unfairly discriminatory charge or rate or any charge or rate determined by the department or commissioner to meet the requirements of any other insurance rate regulatory law of this state.

(8) Except as otherwise expressly provided by law, knowingly permitting or offering to make or making any contract or policy of insurance of any kind or kinds whatsoever, including but not in limitation, life annuities, or agreement as to such contract or policy other than as plainly expressed in such contract or policy issued thereon, or paying or allowing, or giving or offering to pay, allow, or give, directly or indirectly, as inducement to such

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insurance, or annuity, any rebate of premiums payable on the contract, or any special favor or advantage in the dividends, savings, or other benefits thereon, or any valuable consideration or inducement whatever not specified in the contract or policy; or giving, or selling, or purchasing or offering to give, sell, or purchase as inducement to such insurance or annuity or in connection therewith, any stocks, bonds, or other securities of any insurance company or other corporation, association, limited liability company, or partnership, or any dividends, savings, or profits accrued thereon, or anything of value whatsoever not specified in the contract. Nothing in this subdivision and subdivision (7) shall be construed as including within the definition of discrimination or rebates any of the following practices:

(A) Paying bonuses to policyholders or otherwise abating their premiums in whole or in part out of surplus accumulated from nonparticipating insurance, so long as any such bonuses or abatement of premiums are fair and equitable to policyholders and for the best interests of the company and its policyholders.

(B) In the case of life insurance policies issued on the industrial debit plan, making allowance to policyholders who have continuously for a specified period made premium payments directly to an office of the insurer in an amount which fairly represents the saving in collection expense.

(C) Readjustment of the rate of premium for a group insurance policy based on the loss or expense experience thereunder, at the end of the first year or of any subsequent year of insurance thereunder, which may be made retroactive only for such policy year.

(D) Paying by an insurer or insurance producer thereof duly licensed as such under the laws of this state of money, commission, or brokerage, or giving or allowing by an insurer or such licensed insurance producer thereof anything of value, for or on account of the solicitation or negotiation of policies or other contracts of any kind or kinds, to a broker, an insurance producer, or a solicitor duly licensed under the laws of this state, but such broker, insurance producer, or solicitor receiving such consideration shall not pay, give, or allow credit for such consideration as received in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, to the insured by way of rebate.

(9) Requiring, as a condition precedent to loaning money upon the security of a mortgage upon real property, that the owner of the

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property to whom the money is to be loaned negotiate any policy of insurance covering such real property through a particular insurance producer or broker or brokers. However, this subdivision shall not prevent the exercise by any lender of the lender's right to approve or disapprove of the insurance company selected by the borrower to underwrite the insurance.

(10) Entering into any contract, combination in the form of a trust or otherwise, or conspiracy in restraint of commerce in the business of insurance.

(11) Monopolizing or attempting to monopolize or combining or conspiring with any other person or persons to monopolize any part of commerce in the business of insurance. However, participation as a member, director, or officer in the activities of any nonprofit organization of insurance producers or other workers in the insurance business shall not be interpreted, in itself, to constitute a combination in restraint of trade or as combining to create a monopoly as provided in this subdivision and subdivision (10). The enumeration in this chapter of specific unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts and practices in the business of insurance is not exclusive or restrictive or intended to limit the powers of the commissioner or department or of any court of review under section 8 of this chapter.

(12) Requiring as a condition precedent to the sale of real or personal property under any contract of sale, conditional sales contract, or other similar instrument or upon the security of a chattel mortgage, that the buyer of such property negotiate any policy of insurance covering such property through a particular insurance company, insurance producer, or broker or brokers. However, this subdivision shall not prevent the exercise by any seller of such property or the one making a loan thereon of the right to approve or disapprove of the insurance company selected by the buyer to underwrite the insurance.

(13) Issuing, offering, or participating in a plan to issue or offer, any policy or certificate of insurance of any kind or character as an inducement to the purchase of any property, real, personal, or mixed, or services of any kind, where a charge to the insured is not made for and on account of such policy or certificate of insurance. However, this subdivision shall not apply to any of the following:

(A) Insurance issued to credit unions or members of credit unions in connection with the purchase of shares in such credit

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(B) Insurance employed as a means of guaranteeing the performance of goods and designed to benefit the purchasers or users of such goods.

(C) Title insurance.

(D) Insurance written in connection with an indebtedness and intended as a means of repaying such indebtedness in the event of the death or disability of the insured.

(E) Insurance provided by or through motorists service clubs or associations.

(F) Insurance that is provided to the purchaser or holder of an air transportation ticket and that:

(i) insures against death or nonfatal injury that occurs during the flight to which the ticket relates;

(ii) insures against personal injury or property damage that occurs during travel to or from the airport in a common carrier immediately before or after the flight;

(iii) insures against baggage loss during the flight to which the ticket relates; or

(iv) insures against a flight cancellation to which the ticket relates.

(14) Refusing, because of the for-profit status of a hospital or medical facility, to make payments otherwise required to be made under a contract or policy of insurance for charges incurred by an insured in such a for-profit hospital or other for-profit medical facility licensed by the state department of health.

(15) Refusing to insure an individual, refusing to continue to issue insurance to an individual, limiting the amount, extent, or kind of coverage available to an individual, or charging an individual a different rate for the same coverage, solely because of that individual's blindness or partial blindness, except where the refusal, limitation, or rate differential is based on sound actuarial principles or is related to actual or reasonably anticipated experience.

(16) Committing or performing, with such frequency as to indicate a general practice, unfair claim settlement practices (as defined in section 4.5 of this chapter).

(17) Between policy renewal dates, unilaterally canceling an individual's coverage under an individual or group health insurance policy solely because of the individual's medical or physical condition.

(18) Using a policy form or rider that would permit a cancellation

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of coverage as described in subdivision (17).

(19) Violating IC 27-1-22-25, ~~or~~ IC 27-1-22-26, *or IC 27-1-22-26.1* concerning motor vehicle insurance rates.

(20) Violating IC 27-8-21-2 concerning advertisements referring to interest rate guarantees.

(21) Violating IC 27-8-24.3 concerning insurance and health plan coverage for victims of abuse.

(22) Violating IC 27-8-26 concerning genetic screening or testing.

(23) Violating IC 27-1-15.6-3(b) concerning licensure of insurance producers.

(24) Violating IC 27-1-38 concerning depository institutions.

(25) Violating IC 27-8-28-17(c) or IC 27-13-10-8(c) concerning the resolution of an appealed grievance decision.

(26) Violating IC 27-8-5-2.5(e) through IC 27-8-5-2.5(j) or IC 27-8-5-19.2.

(27) Violating IC 27-2-21 concerning use of credit information.

(28) Violating IC 27-4-9-3 concerning recommendations to senior consumers.

SECTION 492. IC 27-8-10-2.3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.2-2005, SECTION 72, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2.3. (a) A member shall, not later than October 31 of each year, certify an independently audited report to the:

(1) association;

(2) legislative council; and

(3) department of insurance;

of the amount of tax credits taken against assessments by the member under ~~section 2.1(n)(1)~~ **section 2.1 (as in effect December 31, 2004) or 2.4** of this chapter during the previous calendar year. A report certified under this section to the legislative council must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.

(b) A member shall, not later than October 31 of each year, certify an independently audited report to the association of the amount of assessments paid by the member against which a tax credit has not been taken under section 2.1 (as in effect December 31, 2004) or 2.4 of this chapter as of the date of the report.

SECTION 493. IC 27-13-43-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.26-2005, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The department shall prescribe the credentialing application form used by the Council for Affordable Quality Healthcare (CAQH) in electronic or paper format. ~~which~~ **The form** must be used by:

(1) a provider who applies for credentialing by a health

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maintenance organization; and

(2) a health maintenance organization that performs credentialing activities.

(b) A health maintenance organization shall notify a provider concerning a deficiency on a completed credentialing application form submitted by the provider not later than thirty (30) business days after the health maintenance organization receives the completed credentialing application form.

(c) A health maintenance organization shall notify a provider concerning the status of the provider's completed credentialing application not later than:

(1) sixty (60) days after the health maintenance organization receives the completed credentialing application form; and

(2) every thirty (30) days after the notice is provided under subdivision (1), until the health maintenance organization makes a final credentialing determination concerning the provider.

SECTION 494. IC 28-1-31 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]:

Chapter 31. Conversion of an Out-of-State Financial Institution Charter Into a Commercial Bank

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "charter conversion" means the conversion of an out-of-state financial institution to a commercial bank.

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "commercial bank" means a bank or trust company (as defined by IC 28-1-1-3(2)).

Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "department" means the department of financial institutions and, if applicable, the department's authorized delegate.

Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "effective time of the charter conversion" means:

(1) the date on which articles of conversion are filed with the secretary of state; or

(2) the date designated in the articles of conversion.

Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "out-of-state financial institution" means a bank or savings bank organized under the laws of any other state or the United States that has a branch or branches in Indiana that were established under IC 28-2-17 or IC 28-2-18.

Sec. 6. An out-of-state financial institution may, upon approval of the department, effect a charter conversion.

Sec. 7. The department shall prescribe procedures for charter

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conversions. The procedures prescribed by the department must include the following:

(1) The out-of-state financial institution shall prepare and submit to the department a plan of charter conversion that provides the terms and conditions of the charter conversion as required by the department.

(2) The plan of charter conversion must be adopted by not less than a majority of the board of directors of the out-of-state financial institution.

(3) Upon approval of a plan of charter conversion by the board of directors of the out-of-state financial institution, the plan of charter conversion and a certified copy of the resolution of the board of directors approving the plan of charter conversion must be submitted to the department for approval.

(4) The plan of charter conversion must be conditioned upon the approval of not less than a majority of the total number of votes cast at a regular or special meeting of the shareholders.

(5) The out-of-state financial institutions shall provide to the department the additional relevant information requested by the department in connection with the plan of charter conversion.

Sec. 8. (a) The department may approve or disapprove the plan of charter conversion filed under section 7 of this chapter.

(b) Solicitation of the votes of voting parties may occur before receipt of the approval of the department.

(c) The department may not approve the plan of charter conversion unless the department finds, after appropriate investigation or examination, and without the requirement of a public hearing, that the following requirements have been fulfilled:

(1) The resulting commercial bank will operate in a safe, sound, and prudent manner.

(2) The proposed charter conversion will not result in a commercial bank that has inadequate capital, unsatisfactory management, or poor earnings prospects.

(3) The management or other principals of the out-of-state financial institution are qualified by character and financial responsibility to control and operate in a legal and proper manner the commercial bank proposed to be formed as a result of the charter conversion.

(4) The interests of the depositors, the creditors, and the public generally will not be jeopardized by the proposed

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charter conversion.

Sec. 9. Upon conversion of an out-of-state financial institution, the resulting commercial bank:

(1) possesses all of the rights, privileges, immunities, and powers of a commercial bank;

(2) unless otherwise provided in this chapter, is subject to all of the duties, restrictions, obligations, and liabilities of a commercial bank; and

(3) succeeds by operation of law to all rights and property of the converting out-of-state financial institution and shall be subjected to all debts, obligations, and liabilities of the converting out-of-state financial institution as if the commercial bank had incurred the debts and liabilities.

Sec. 10. The department may authorize the resulting commercial bank to do the following:

(1) Wind up any activities that are legally engaged in by the out-of-state financial institution at the time of charter conversion but that are not permitted to commercial banks.

(2) Retain any assets that are legally held by the out-of-state financial institution at the effective time of the charter conversion but that may not be held by commercial banks for a transitional period.

The terms and conditions of the transitional period under subdivisions (1) and (2) are at the discretion of the department. However, the transitional period may not exceed ten (10) years after the effective time of the charter conversion.

Sec. 11. A commercial bank created by charter conversion may retain all branches lawfully established.

Sec. 12. In order to effect the charter conversion, the converting out-of-state financial institution shall file articles of charter conversion, bearing the approval of the director of the department, with the secretary of state. The converting out-of-state financial institution shall also file copies of the articles of charter conversion with the county recorder of the county where the principal office of the commercial bank is located.

Sec. 13. Upon the effective time of charter conversion, the converted commercial bank shall, unless otherwise provided in this chapter, immediately become subject to all statutes and rules applicable to commercial banks.

SECTION 495. IC 28-1-32 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]:

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Chapter 32. Conversion of a Mutual Savings Association Into a Credit Union

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "conversion plan" refers to a plan for the conversion of a mutual savings association into a credit union that is prepared under this chapter.

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "credit union" has the meaning set forth in IC 28-7-1-0.5(3).

Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "effective time of the conversion" means:

(1) the date on which articles of conversion are filed with the secretary of state; or

(2) the date designated in the articles of conversion as the effective time of the conversion.

Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "mutual savings association" means a savings association (as defined in 12 U.S.C. 1813(b)) that:

(1) maintains its principal office in Indiana; and

(2) has a mutual form of ownership.

Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "voting parties" means the depositors or members of a mutual savings association.

Sec. 6. For purposes of this chapter, voting parties have the voting rights as provided in the applicable corporate governance documents of the converting mutual savings association.

Sec. 7. With the approval of the department, a mutual savings association may convert into a credit union under this chapter.

Sec. 8. (a) The department shall prescribe procedures for the conversion of a mutual savings association into a credit union under this chapter.

(b) The procedures prescribed by the department must include the following:

(1) The savings association must prepare and submit to the department a conversion plan that provides the terms and conditions required by the department for the conversion of the mutual savings association into a credit union.

(2) The conversion plan must be adopted by not less than a majority of the board of directors of the savings association.

(3) Upon approval of the conversion plan by the board of directors of the savings association, the conversion plan and a certified copy of the resolution of the board of directors approving the conversion plan must be submitted to the department for approval.

(4) The conversion plan must be conditioned on the approval of not less than a majority of the total number of votes eligible

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to be cast at a regular or special meeting of the voting parties. The director of the department must approve the method used to notify the voting parties of the meeting held to consider the conversion plan. The director of the department may require the converting savings association to provide the voting parties with information regarding the conversion plan.

(5) The savings association must provide to the department additional relevant information requested by the department regarding the conversion plan.

Sec. 9. (a) The department may approve or disapprove a conversion plan filed under section 8 of this chapter.

(b) The department is not required to hold a hearing on the conversion plan.

(c) Solicitation of the votes of voting parties may occur before the savings association receives the department's approval of the conversion plan.

Sec. 10. The department may not approve a conversion plan unless the department finds, after appropriate investigation or examination, all of the following:

(1) The resulting credit union will operate in a safe, sound, and prudent manner.

(2) The proposed credit union conversion will not result in a credit union that has inadequate capital, unsatisfactory management, or poor earnings prospects.

(3) The management or other principals of the savings association are qualified by character and financial responsibility to control and operate the proposed credit union in a legal and proper manner.

(4) The interests of the depositors, creditors, and public generally will not be jeopardized by the proposed credit union conversion.

Sec. 11. At the effective time of the conversion of a mutual savings association into a credit union under this chapter, the resulting credit union:

(1) possesses all of the rights, privileges, immunities, and powers of a credit union;

(2) unless otherwise provided in this chapter, is subject to all of the statutes, rules, duties, restrictions, obligations, and liabilities of a credit union;

(3) succeeds by operation of law to all rights and property of the converting savings association;

(4) is subject to all debts, obligations, and liabilities of the

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converting savings association as if the credit union had incurred the debts, obligation, and liabilities; and

(5) may retain the borrowers and depositors of the converting savings association as members of the credit union.

Sec. 12. The department may authorize the credit union resulting from a conversion under this chapter to do the following:

(1) Wind up any activities that the savings association was legally engaged in at the effective time of the conversion but that otherwise are not permitted to credit unions.

(2) Retain for a transitional period any assets that the savings association legally held at the effective time of the conversion but that otherwise may not be held by credit unions.

The terms and conditions of the winding up of activities under subdivision (1) and the retention of assets under subdivision (2) are subject to the discretion of the department. However, the transitional period during which activities may be carried out under subdivision (1) or assets may be retained under subdivision (2) may not exceed ten (10) years after the effective time of the conversion.

Sec. 13. A credit union resulting from a conversion under this chapter may retain all branches lawfully established.

Sec. 14. (a) A savings association converting into a credit union under this chapter shall file with the secretary of state the articles of conversion showing the approval of the director of the department.

(b) The converting savings association shall record copies of the articles of conversion with the county recorder of the county where the principal office of the credit union will be located.

(c) The articles of conversion constitute articles of incorporation of the resulting credit union and must set forth the elements required in IC 28-7-1-1(b).

Sec. 15. Upon the effective time of the conversion, the converted credit union is subject to all statutes and rules applicable to credit unions.

Sec. 16. The department may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 or policies to implement this chapter.

SECTION 496. IC 28-1-33 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]:

Chapter 33. Charter Conversion of a Mutual Savings Bank Into a Credit Union

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "charter conversion" means the

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conversion of a mutual savings bank into a credit union under this chapter.

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "conversion plan" refers to a plan of charter conversion prepared under this chapter.

Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "credit union" has the meaning set forth in IC 28-7-1-0.5(3).

Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "effective time of the charter conversion" means:

(1) the date on which articles of conversion are filed with the secretary of state; or

(2) the date designated in the articles of conversion as the effective time of the charter conversion.

Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "mutual savings bank" has the meaning set forth in IC 28-6.1-2-5.

Sec. 6. As used in this chapter, "voting parties" means the:

(1) depositors; and

(2) borrowers;

of a mutual savings bank.

Sec. 7. With the approval of the department, a mutual savings bank may convert its charter under this chapter.

Sec. 8. (a) The department shall prescribe procedures for charter conversions under this chapter.

(b) The procedures prescribed by the department must include the following:

(1) The mutual savings bank must prepare and submit to the department a conversion plan that provides the terms and conditions required by the department for a charter conversion under this chapter.

(2) The conversion plan must be adopted by not less than a majority of the board of directors of the mutual savings bank.

(3) Upon approval of a plan of charter conversion by the board of directors of the savings bank, the conversion plan and a certified copy of the resolution of the board of directors approving the conversion plan must be submitted to the department for approval.

(4) The conversion plan must be conditioned upon the approval of not less than a majority of the total number of votes eligible to be cast at a regular or special meeting of the voting parties. The director of the department must approve the method used to notify the voting parties of the meeting held to consider the conversion plan. The director of the department may require the converting mutual savings bank

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to provide the voting parties with information regarding the conversion plan.

(5) The mutual savings bank must provide to the department the additional relevant information requested by the department in connection with the conversion plan.

Sec. 9. The voting parties of a mutual savings bank have the voting rights set forth in IC 28-13-6-2 with respect to a charter conversion of the mutual savings bank under this chapter.

Sec. 10. (a) The department may approve or disapprove the conversion plan filed under section 8 of this chapter.

(b) The department is not required to hold a hearing on the conversion plan.

(c) Solicitation of the votes of voting parties may occur before the mutual savings bank receives approval of the department if the director of the department has reviewed the proxy solicitation material and has notified the mutual savings bank in writing that the department does not object to use of the material.

Sec. 11. The department may not approve the conversion plan unless the department finds, after appropriate investigation or examination, all of the following:

(1) The resulting credit union will operate in a safe, sound, and prudent manner.

(2) The proposed charter conversion will not result in a credit union that has inadequate capital, unsatisfactory management, or poor earnings prospects.

(3) The management or other principals of the mutual savings bank are qualified by character and financial responsibility to control and operate the proposed credit union in a legal and proper manner.

(4) The interests of the depositors, the creditors, and the public generally will not be jeopardized by the proposed charter conversion.

(5) The proposed membership of the resulting credit union will comply with the membership requirements of IC 28-7-1-10.

Sec. 12. At the effective time of a charter conversion under this chapter, the resulting credit union:

(1) possesses all of the rights, privileges, immunities, and powers of a credit union;

(2) unless otherwise provided in this chapter, is subject to all of the statutes, regulations, duties, restrictions, obligations, and liabilities of a credit union:

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(3) succeeds by operation of law to all rights and property of the converting mutual savings bank;

(4) is subject to all debts, obligations, and liabilities of the converting mutual savings bank as if the credit union had incurred the debts, obligations, and liabilities; and

(5) may retain the borrowers and depositors of the converting mutual savings bank as members of the credit union.

Sec. 13. The department may authorize the credit union resulting from a charter conversion under this chapter to do the following:

(1) Wind up any activities that the mutual savings bank legally engaged in at the effective time of the charter conversion but that otherwise are not permitted to credit unions.

(2) Retain for a transitional period any assets that the mutual savings bank legally held at the effective time of the charter conversion that otherwise may not be held by credit unions.

The terms and conditions of the winding up of activities under subdivision (1) and the retention of assets under subdivision (2) are subject to the discretion of the department. However, the transitional period during which activities may be carried out under subdivision (1) or assets may be retained under subdivision (2) may not exceed ten (10) years after the effective time of the charter conversion.

Sec. 14. A credit union created by charter conversion may retain all branches lawfully established.

Sec. 15. (a) To effect a charter conversion, the converting mutual savings bank must file with the secretary of state articles of charter conversion showing the approval of the director of the department.

(b) The converting mutual savings bank shall record copies of the articles of charter conversion with the county recorder of the county where the principal office of the credit union will be located.

(c) The articles of charter conversion constitute articles of incorporation of the resulting credit union and must set forth the elements required in IC 28-7-1-1(b).

Sec. 16. Upon the effective time of a charter conversion, the converted credit union is subject to all statutes and rules applicable to credit unions.

Sec. 17. The department may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 or policies to implement this chapter.

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SECTION 497. IC 28-7-1-39, AS ADDED BY P.L.141-2005, SECTION 18, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 39. (a) As used in this section, "loans and extensions of credit" includes all direct or indirect advances of funds made to a member on the basis of:

(1) an obligation of the member to repay the funds; or

(2) a pledge of specific property by or on behalf of the member and from which the funds advanced are repayable.

The term includes any contractual liability of a credit union to advance funds to or on behalf of a member, to the extent specified by the department.

(b) As used in this section, "member" includes an individual, a sole proprietorship, a partnership, a joint venture, an association, a trust, an estate, a business trust, a limited liability company, a corporation, a sovereign government, or an agency, instrumentality, or political subdivision of a sovereign government, or any similar entity or organization.

(c) Except as provided in subsection (e), the total loans and extensions of credit by a credit union to a member outstanding at any given time and not fully secured, as determined in a manner consistent with subsection (d), by collateral with a market value at least equal to the amount of the loan or extension of credit may not exceed fifteen percent (15%) of the unimpaired capital and unimpaired surplus of the credit union.

(d) Except as provided in subsection (e), the total loans and extensions of credit by a credit union to a member outstanding at any given time and fully secured by readily marketable collateral having a market value, as determined by reliable and continuously available price quotations, at least equal to the amount of funds outstanding may not exceed ten percent (10%) of the unimpaired capital and unimpaired surplus of the credit union. The limitation in this subsection is separate from and in addition to the limitation set forth in subsection (c).

(e) The limitations set forth in subsections (c) and (d) are subject to the following exceptions:

(1) Loans or extensions of credit arising from the discount of commercial or business paper evidencing an obligation to the member negotiating it with recourse are not subject to any limitation based on capital and surplus.

(2) The purchase of bankers' acceptances of the kind described in 12 U.S.C. 372 and issued by a financial institution organized or reorganized under the laws of Indiana or any other state or the United States are not subject to any limitation based on capital

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and surplus.

(3) Loans or extensions of credit secured by bills of lading, warehouse receipts, or similar documents transferring or securing title to readily marketable staples are subject to a limitation of thirty-five percent (35%) of capital and surplus in addition to the general limitations if the market value of the staples securing each additional loan or extension of credit at all times equals or exceeds one hundred fifteen percent (115%) of the outstanding amount of the loan or extension of credit. The staples shall be fully covered by insurance whenever it is customary to insure such staples.

(4) Loans or extensions of credit secured by bonds, notes, certificates of indebtedness, or Treasury bills of the United States or by any other obligation fully guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States are not subject to any limitation based on capital and surplus.

(5) Loans or extensions of credit to or secured by unconditional takeout commitment or guarantees of any department, agency, bureau, board, commission, or establishment of the United States or any corporation wholly owned directly or indirectly by the United States are not subject to any limitation based on capital and surplus.

(6) Loans or extensions of credit secured by a segregated deposit account in the lending credit union are not subject to any limitation based on capital and surplus.

(7) Loans or extensions of credit to any credit union, when the loans or extensions of credit are approved by the director of the department, are not subject to any limitation based on capital and surplus.

(8) Loans or extensions of credit to the Student Loan Marketing Association are not subject to any limitation based on capital and surplus.

(f) Loans or extensions of credit arising from the discount of negotiable or nonnegotiable installment consumer paper that carries a full recourse endorsement or unconditional guarantee by the member transferring the paper ~~is~~ **are** subject under this section to a maximum limitation equal to twenty-five percent (25%) of the capital and surplus, notwithstanding the collateral requirements set forth in subsection (d).

(g) If the credit union's files or the knowledge of the credit union's officers of the financial condition of each maker of consumer paper described in subsection (f) is reasonably adequate, and an officer of the credit union designated for that purpose by the board of directors of the

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credit union certifies in writing that the credit union is relying primarily upon the responsibility of each maker for payment of the loans or extensions of credit and not upon any full or partial recourse endorsement or guarantee by the transferor, the limitations of this section as to the loans or extensions of credit of each maker shall be the sole applicable loan limitations.

(h) Loans or extensions of credit secured by shipping documents or instruments transferring or securing title covering livestock or giving a lien on livestock when the market value of the livestock securing the obligation is not at any time less than one hundred fifteen percent (115%) of the face amount of the note covered are subject under this section, notwithstanding the collateral requirements set forth in subsection (d), to a maximum limitation equal to twenty-five percent (25%) of the capital and surplus.

(i) Loans or extensions of credit that arise from the discount by dealers in dairy cattle of paper given in payment for dairy cattle, which paper carries a full recourse endorsement or unconditional guarantee of the seller and that are secured by the cattle being sold, are subject under this section, notwithstanding the collateral requirements set forth in subsection (d), to a limitation of twenty-five percent (25%) of the capital and surplus.

(j) Except as otherwise provided, an officer, director, employee, or attorney of a credit union who stipulates for, receives, or consents or agrees to receive, any fee, commission, gift, or thing of value, from any person, for the purpose of procuring or endeavoring to procure for any member any loan from or the purchase or discount of any paper, note, draft, check, or bill of exchange by the credit union, commits a Class A misdemeanor.

(k) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, any credit union that holds obligations of indebtedness in violation of the limitations prescribed in this section shall, not later than July 1, 2006, cause the amount of the obligations to conform to the limitations prescribed by this chapter and by the provisions of this section. The department may, in its discretion, extend the time for effecting this conformity, in individual instances, if the interests of the depositors will be protected and served by an extension. Upon the failure of a credit union to comply with the limitations, in accordance with this section or in accordance with any order of the department concerning the limitations, the department may declare that the credit union is conducting its business in an unauthorized or unsafe manner and proceed in accordance with IC 28-1-3.1-2.

(l) The department may apply the provisions of 12 CFR 32 in the

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application and administration of this chapter.

SECTION 498. IC 30-4-6-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.238-2005, SECTION 43, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.245-2005, SECTION 9, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. *(a)* ~~*(Venue)*~~ *Venue in a proceeding brought by the attorney general against a trustee or a trust lies in Marion County, unless a court determines that venue in Marion County would be a hardship for a trustee or a trust.*

~~*(a)*~~ *(b)* Unless the terms of the trust provide otherwise, venue ~~*in this state*~~ *in a proceeding brought by a party other than the attorney general* for matters arising under this article shall be exclusively in the county in which the principal place of administration of the trust is located. The principal place of administration of a trust is that usual place at which the records pertaining to the trust are kept or, if there is no such place, the trustee's residence. If there are cotrustees, the principal place of administration is either that of the corporate trustee, if there is only one (1); that of the individual trustee who has custody of the records, if there is but one (1) such person and there is no corporate cotrustee; or, if neither of these alternatives apply, that of any of the cotrustees.

~~*(b)*~~ **(c)** *Unless the trust provides otherwise, a trustee is under a continuing duty to administer the trust at a place appropriate to the trust's purposes and administration.*

~~*(c)*~~ **(d)** *Unless the trust provides otherwise, and without precluding the right of the court to order, approve, or disapprove a transfer, the trustee, in furtherance of a duty prescribed by subsection (b), may transfer the trust's principal place of administration to another state or to a jurisdiction outside the United States.*

~~*(d)*~~ **(e)** *The trustee shall notify the qualified beneficiaries of a proposed transfer of a trust's principal place of administration not less than sixty (60) days before initiating the transfer. The notice of proposed transfer must include the following information:*

(1) The name of the jurisdiction to which the principal place of administration is to be transferred.

(2) The address and telephone number of the new location at which the trustee can be contacted.

(3) An explanation of the reasons for the proposed transfer.

(4) The date on which the proposed transfer is anticipated to occur.

(5) The date, not less than sixty (60) days after the giving of notice, by which the qualified beneficiary must notify the trustee of an objection to the proposed transfer.

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~~(e)~~ **(f)** *The authority of a trustee under this section to transfer a trust's principal place of administration terminates if a qualified beneficiary notifies the trustee of an objection to the proposed transfer on or before the date specified in the notice.*

~~(f)~~ **(g)** *In connection with a transfer of the trust's principal place of administration, the trustee may transfer some or all of the trust property to a successor trustee designated in the terms of the trust or appointed under IC 30-4-3-33.*

~~(c)~~ ~~(g)~~ **(h)** If the principal place of administration is maintained in another state, venue in this state for any matters arising under this article shall be in the county stipulated in writing by the parties to the trust or, if there is no such stipulation, in the county where the trust property, or the evidence of the trust property, which is the subject of the action is either situated or generally located.

~~(d)~~ ~~(h)~~ **(i)** Any party to an action or proceeding shall be entitled to a change of venue or change of judge as provided in the Indiana Rules of Procedure. A change of venue in any action shall not be construed to authorize a permanent change of venue for all matters arising under this article, and, upon conclusion of the action, venue shall return to the court where the action was initiated.

SECTION 499. IC 30-5-9-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) An attorney in fact is liable for the negligent exercise of the power of attorney, except for the exercise of the attorney in fact's power under ~~IC 30-5-4-16~~ **IC 30-5-5-16** or ~~IC 30-5-4-17.~~ **IC 30-5-5-17.**

(b) An attorney in fact is liable for the exercise of authority or failure to exercise authority under IC 30-5-5-16 or IC 30-5-5-17 only if the attorney in fact acted in bad faith.

SECTION 500. IC 31-9-2-14 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 14. (a) "Child abuse or neglect", for purposes of IC 31-32-11-1, IC 31-33, IC 31-34-7-4, and IC 31-39-8-4, refers to a child who is alleged to be a child in need of services as described in IC 31-34-1-1 through IC 31-34-1-5.

(b) The term does not ~~include~~ **refer to** a child who is alleged to be a child in need of services if the child is alleged to be a victim of a sexual offense under IC 35-42-4-3 unless the alleged offense under IC 35-42-4-3 involves the fondling or touching of the buttocks, genitals, or female breasts.

SECTION 501. IC 31-19-17-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.100-2005, SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. The person, licensed child placing agency,

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or county office of family and children shall:

(1) exclude information that would identify the birth parents; and

(2) release all available social, medical, psychological, and educational records concerning the child to:

(A) the adoptive parent; and

(B) upon request, an adoptee who: ~~is:~~

(i) **is** at least twenty-one (21) years of age; and

(ii) provides proof of identification;

SECTION 502. IC 31-19-17-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.100-2005, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. The person, licensed child placing agency, or county office of family and children shall provide:

(1) the adoptive parent; and

(2) upon request, an adoptee who: ~~is:~~

(A) **is** at least twenty-one (21) years of age; and

(B) provides proof of identification;

with a summary of other existing social, medical, psychological, and educational records concerning the child of which the person, agency, or county office has knowledge but does not have possession. If requested by an adoptive parent or an adoptee, the person, agency, or county office shall attempt to provide the adoptive parent or the adoptee with a copy of any social, medical, psychological, or educational record that is not in the possession of the person, agency, or county office after identifying information has been excluded.

SECTION 503. IC 31-19-17-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.100-2005, SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) This section applies to an adoption that is granted before July 1, 1993.

(b) Upon the request of an adoptee who: ~~is:~~

(1) **is** at least twenty-one (21) years of age; and

(2) provides proof of identification;

a person, a licensed child placing agency, or a county office of family and children shall provide to the adoptee available information of social, medical, psychological, and educational records and reports concerning the adoptee. The person, licensed child placing agency, or county office of family and children shall exclude from the records information that would identify the birth parents.

SECTION 504. IC 31-33-2-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.234-2005, SECTION 96, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.246-2005, SECTION 215, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The department:

(1) must have sufficient qualified and trained staff to fulfill the

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purpose of this article;

(2) must be organized to maximize the continuity of responsibility, care, and service of individual caseworkers toward individual children and families;

(3) must provide training to representatives of the child ~~*protective*~~ *protection* services system regarding the legal duties of the representatives, which may consist of various methods of informing the representatives of their duties, in order to protect the legal rights and safety of children and families from the initial time of contact during the investigation through treatment; and

(4) must provide training to representatives of the child ~~*protective*~~ *protection* services system regarding the constitutional rights of the child's family, including a child's guardian or custodian, that is the subject of an investigation of child abuse or neglect consistent with the Fourth Amendment to the United States Constitution and Article I, Section 11 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana.

(b) This section expires June 30, 2008.

SECTION 505. IC 32-28-3-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) A contractor, a subcontractor, a mechanic, a lessor leasing construction and other equipment and tools, whether or not an operator is also provided by the lessor, a journeyman, a laborer, or any other person performing labor or furnishing materials or machinery, including the leasing of equipment or tools, for:

(1) the erection, alteration, repair, or removal of:

(A) a house, mill, manufactory, or other building; or

(B) a bridge, reservoir, system of waterworks, or other structure;

(2) the construction, alteration, repair, or removal of a walk or sidewalk located on the land or bordering the land, a stile, a well, a drain, a drainage ditch, a sewer, or a cistern; or

(3) any other earth moving operation;

may have a lien as set forth in this section.

(b) A person described in subsection (a) may have a lien separately or jointly upon the:

(1) house, mill, manufactory, or other building, bridge, reservoir, system of waterworks, or other structure, sidewalk, walk, stile, well, drain, drainage ditch, sewer, cistern, or earth:

(A) that the person erected, altered, repaired, moved, or removed; or

(B) for which the person furnished materials or machinery of

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any description; and

(2) on the interest of the owner of the lot or parcel of land:

(A) on which the structure or improvement stands; or

(B) with which the structure or improvement is connected;

to the extent of the value of any labor done or the material furnished, or both, including any use of the leased equipment and tools.

(c) All claims for wages of mechanics and laborers employed in or about a shop, mill, wareroom, storeroom, manufactory or structure, bridge, reservoir, system of waterworks or other structure, sidewalk, walk, stile, well, drain, drainage ditch, cistern, or any other earth moving operation shall be a lien on all the:

(1) machinery;

(2) tools;

(3) stock;

(4) material; or

(5) finished or unfinished work;

located in or about the shop, mill, wareroom, storeroom, manufactory or other building, bridge, reservoir, system of waterworks, or other structure, sidewalk, walk, stile, well, drain, drainage ditch, sewer, cistern, or earth used in a business.

(d) If the person, firm, limited liability company, or corporation described in subsection (a) **or (c)** is in failing circumstances, the claims described in this section shall be preferred debts whether a claim or notice of lien has been filed.

(e) Subject to subsection (f), a contract:

(1) for the construction, alteration, or repair of a Class 2 structure (as defined in IC 22-12-1-5);

(2) for the construction, alteration, or repair of an improvement on the same real estate auxiliary to a Class 2 structure (as defined in IC 22-12-1-5);

(3) for the construction, alteration, or repair of property that is:

(A) owned, operated, managed, or controlled by a:

(i) public utility (as defined in IC 8-1-2-1);

(ii) municipally owned utility (as defined in IC 8-1-2-1);

(iii) joint agency (as defined in IC 8-1-2.2-2);

(iv) rural electric membership corporation formed under IC 8-1-13-4;

(v) rural telephone cooperative corporation formed under IC 8-1-17; or

(vi) not-for-profit utility (as defined in IC 8-1-2-125);

regulated under IC 8; and

(B) intended to be used and useful for the production,

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transmission, delivery, or furnishing of heat, light, water, telecommunications services, or power to the public; or

(4) to prepare property for Class 2 residential construction;

may include a provision or stipulation in the contract of the owner and principal contractor that a lien may not attach to the real estate, building, structure or any other improvement of the owner.

(f) A contract containing a provision or stipulation described in subsection (e) must meet the requirements of this subsection to be valid against subcontractors, mechanics, journeymen, laborers, or persons performing labor upon or furnishing materials or machinery for the property or improvement of the owner. The contract must:

(1) be in writing;

(2) contain specific reference by legal description of the real estate to be improved;

(3) be acknowledged as provided in the case of deeds; and

(4) be filed and recorded in the recorder's office of the county in which the real estate, building, structure, or other improvement is situated not more than five (5) days after the date of execution of the contract.

A contract containing a provision or stipulation described in subsection (e) does not affect a lien for labor, material, or machinery supplied before the filing of the contract with the recorder.

(g) Upon the filing of a contract under subsection (f), the recorder shall:

(1) record the contract at length in the order of the time it was received in books provided by the recorder for that purpose;

(2) index the contract in the name of the:

(A) contractor; and

(B) owner;

in books kept for that purpose; and

(3) collect a fee for recording the contract as is provided for the recording of deeds and mortgages.

(h) A person, firm, partnership, limited liability company, or corporation that sells or furnishes on credit any material, labor, or machinery for the alteration or repair of an owner occupied single or double family dwelling or the appurtenances or additions to the dwelling to:

(1) a contractor, subcontractor, mechanic; or

(2) anyone other than the occupying owner or the owner's legal representative;

must furnish to the occupying owner of the parcel of land where the material, labor, or machinery is delivered a written notice of the

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delivery or work and of the existence of lien rights not later than thirty (30) days after the date of first delivery or labor performed. The furnishing of the notice is a condition precedent to the right of acquiring a lien upon the lot or parcel of land or the improvement on the lot or parcel of land.

(i) A person, firm, partnership, limited liability company, or corporation that sells or furnishes on credit material, labor, or machinery for the original construction of a single or double family dwelling for the intended occupancy of the owner upon whose real estate the construction takes place to a contractor, subcontractor, mechanic, or anyone other than the owner or the owner's legal representatives must:

(1) furnish the owner of the real estate:

(A) as named in the latest entry in the transfer books described in IC 6-1.1-5-4 of the county auditor; or

(B) if IC 6-1.1-5-9 applies, as named in the transfer books of the township assessor;

with a written notice of the delivery or labor and the existence of lien rights not later than sixty (60) days after the date of the first delivery or labor performed; and

(2) file a copy of the written notice in the recorder's office of the county not later than sixty (60) days after the date of the first delivery or labor performed.

The furnishing and filing of the notice is a condition precedent to the right of acquiring a lien upon the real estate or upon the improvement constructed on the real estate.

(j) A lien for material or labor in original construction does not attach to real estate purchased by an innocent purchaser for value without notice of a single or double family dwelling for occupancy by the purchaser unless notice of intention to hold the lien is recorded under section 3 of this chapter before recording the deed by which the purchaser takes title.

SECTION 506. IC 33-24-5-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.227-2005, SECTION 10, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), the sheriff of the supreme court or a county police officer shall:

(1) attend the court in term time;

(2) execute the orders of the court;

(3) preserve order within the court; ~~and~~

(4) execute all process issued out of the court; **and**

~~(3)~~ **(5)** execute all civil process issued out of the court.

(b) This subsection applies only if a consolidated law enforcement

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department is established under IC 36-3-1-5.1. The ordinance adopted by the legislative body of the consolidated city shall determine whether:

(1) the orders of the court; and

(2) all criminal process issued out of the court;

shall be executed by an officer of the sheriff's department or an officer of the consolidated law enforcement department.

SECTION 507. IC 33-33-20-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The judges of the Elkhart circuit and superior courts may jointly appoint ~~one (1)~~ **two** full-time ~~magistrate~~ **magistrates** under IC 33-23-5 to serve the circuit and superior courts.

(b) ~~The~~ **A** magistrate continues in office until removed by the judges of the circuit and superior courts.

SECTION 508. IC 33-33-49-13, AS AMENDED BY P.L.2-2005, SECTION 93, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.58-2005, SECTION 35, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 13. (a) Each judge of the court shall be elected for a term of six (6) years that begins January 1 after the year of the judge's election and continues through December 31 in the sixth year. The judge shall hold office for the six (6) year term or until the judge's successor is elected and qualified. A candidate for judge shall run at large for the office of judge of the court and not as a candidate for judge of a particular room or division of the court.

(b) Beginning with the primary election held in 1996 and every six (6) years thereafter, a political party may nominate not more than eight (8) candidates for judge of the court. Beginning with the primary election held in 2000 and every six (6) years thereafter, a political party may nominate not more than nine (9) candidates for judge of the court. The candidates shall be voted on at the general election. Other candidates may qualify under IC 3-8-6 to be voted on at the general election.

(c) The names of the party candidates nominated and properly certified to the Marion County election board, along with the names of other candidates who have qualified, shall be placed on the ballot at the general election in the form prescribed by ~~*IC 3-11-2.*~~ *IC 3-11.* Beginning with the 1996 general election and every six (6) years thereafter, persons eligible to vote at the general election may vote for fifteen (15) candidates for judge of the court. Beginning with the 2000 general election and every six (6) years thereafter, persons eligible to vote at the general election may vote for seventeen (17) candidates for judge of the court.

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(d) The candidates for judge of the court receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected to the vacancies. The names of the candidates elected as judges of the court shall be certified to the county election board as provided by law.

SECTION 509. IC 33-33-53-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 217, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.231-2005, SECTION 50, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. In accordance with rules adopted by the judges of the court under section 6 of this chapter, the presiding judge shall do the following:

(1) Ensure that the court operates efficiently and judicially under rules adopted by the court.

(2) Annually submit to the fiscal body of Monroe County a budget for the court, including amounts necessary for:

(A) the operation of the circuit's probation department;

(B) the defense of indigents; and

(C) maintaining an adequate law library.

(3) Make the appointments or selections required of a circuit or superior court judge under the following statutes:

IC 8-4-21-2
IC 11-12-2-2
IC 16-22-2-4
IC 16-22-2-11
IC 16-22-7
~~*IC 20-4-1*~~
IC 20-23-4
~~*IC 20-4-8*~~
IC 20-23-16-19
IC 20-23-16-21
IC 20-23-7-6
IC 20-23-7-8
~~*IC 20-5-20-4*~~
~~*IC 20-5-23-1*~~
~~*IC 20-14-10-10*~~
~~*IC 20-23-16-30*~~
IC 20-26-7-8
~~*IC 20-26-7-13*~~ **IC 20-26-7-14**
IC 36-12-10-10
IC 21-5-11-8
IC 21-5-12-8
IC 36-9
IC 36-10.

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(4) Make appointments or selections required of a circuit or superior court judge by any other statute, if the appointment or selection is not required of the court because of an action before the court.

SECTION 510. IC 33-35-3-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) In second class cities, the city clerk is the clerk of the city court. The city clerk of a third class city is the clerk of the city court if the judge does not serve as clerk or appoint a clerk under section 1 of this chapter.

(b) A city clerk of a second class city, a city clerk-treasurer of a third class city, or an appointed clerk in a third class city who serves as the clerk of the city court shall give bond as prescribed in this chapter.

(c) The clerk may administer oaths.

(d) The clerk of a city or town court shall:

(1) issue all process of the court, affix the seal of the court to the process, and attest to the process;

(2) keep a complete record and docket of all cases showing:

(A) the name of a person who was arrested and brought before the court;

(B) the disposition of the case; and

(C) an account of the:

(i) fees;

(ii) fines;

(iii) penalties;

(iv) forfeitures;

(v) judgments;

(vi) executions;

(vii) decrees; and

(viii) orders;

in as near to the same manner as the records are kept by the clerk of the circuit court; and

(3) collect all:

(A) fees;

(B) fines;

(C) penalties and forfeitures;

(D) judgments;

(E) executions; and

(F) money;

accruing to the city or town from the enforcement of ordinances.

(e) At the close of each week, the clerk shall make and deliver to the city controller of a second class city, clerk-treasurer of a third class city, or clerk-treasurer of a town a written report of all cases in which

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the clerk has received or collected any fines or forfeitures due the city or town. The clerk shall then pay over the money to the controller or clerk-treasurer and take a receipt for the payment.

(f) At the end of each month, the clerk shall make out and deliver to the county treasurer of the county in which the city or town is located a written report of all cases in which the clerk has received or collected any fines or forfeitures due the state during the month and pay to the county treasurer all fines or forfeitures collected, taking a receipt for the payment.

(g) In cities in which the county treasurer rather than the city controller receives city money for deposit, the clerk shall report and deliver the money to the county treasurer.

(h) The clerk shall deposit all court costs collected by the clerk in accordance with IC 33-37-7-12. The clerk shall distribute the state and county share of court costs collected in accordance with ~~IC 33-37-7-7 or~~ IC 33-37-7-8.

SECTION 511. IC 33-37-5-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.238-2005, SECTION 56, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) Each clerk shall establish a clerk's record perpetuation fund. The clerk shall deposit all the following in the fund:

(1) Revenue received by the clerk for transmitting documents by facsimile machine to a person under IC 5-14-3.

(2) Document storage fees required under section 20 of this chapter.

(3) The late payment fees imposed under section 22 of this chapter that are authorized for deposit in the clerk's record perpetuation fund under ~~IC 33-37-7-1 or~~ IC 33-37-7-2.

(4) The fees required under IC 29-1-7-3.1 for deposit of a will.

(b) The clerk may use any money in the fund for the following purposes:

(1) The preservation of records.

(2) The improvement of record keeping systems and equipment.

SECTION 512. IC 33-37-5-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) This section applies to an action in which a final court order requires a person to pay support or maintenance payments through the clerk.

(b) The clerk shall collect a fee in addition to support and maintenance payments. The fee is the following:

(1) Twenty dollars ($20) for the calendar year in which the initial order is entered, unless the first payment is due after June 30 of that calendar year.

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(2) Ten dollars ($10) for the calendar year in which the initial order was entered, if the first payment is due after June 30 of that calendar year.

(3) In each subsequent year in which the initial order or a modified order is in effect, twenty dollars ($20) if the fee is paid before February 1, or thirty dollars ($30) if paid after January 31.

(c) The fee required under subsection (b) is due at the time that the first support or maintenance payment for the calendar year in which the fee must be paid is due.

(d) The clerk may not deduct the fee from a support or maintenance payment.

(e) Except as provided under IC 33-32-4-6 ~~IC 33-37-7-1(g),~~ and IC 33-37-7-2(g), the clerk shall forward the fee collected under this section to the county auditor in accordance with IC 33-37-7-12(a).

SECTION 513. IC 33-37-5-21.2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.176-2005, SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 21.2. (a) This subsection does not apply to the following:

(1) A criminal proceeding.

(2) A proceeding ~~for~~ **to enforce a statute defining** an infraction. ~~violation.~~

(3) A proceeding for an ordinance violation.

In each action filed in a court described in IC 33-37-1-1 and in each small claims action in a court described in IC 33-34, the clerk shall collect a public defense administration fee of three dollars ($3).

(b) In each action in which a person is:

(1) convicted of an offense;

(2) required to pay a pretrial diversion fee;

(3) found to have ~~violated~~ **committed** an infraction; or

(4) found to have violated an ordinance;

the clerk shall collect a public defense administration fee of three dollars ($3).

SECTION 514. IC 33-37-5-25, AS AMENDED BY P.L.2-2005, SECTION 107, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 25. (a) This subsection does not apply to the following:

(1) A criminal proceeding.

(2) A proceeding ~~for~~ **to enforce a statute defining** an infraction. ~~violation.~~

(3) A proceeding for an ordinance violation.

In each action filed in a court described in IC 33-37-1-1, the clerk shall collect a judicial insurance adjustment fee of one dollar ($1).

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(b) In each action in which a person is:
(1) convicted of an offense;
(2) required to pay a pretrial diversion fee;
(3) found to have ~~violated~~ **committed** an infraction; or
(4) found to have violated an ordinance;
the clerk shall collect a judicial insurance adjustment fee of one dollar ($1).

SECTION 515. IC 33-37-7-9, AS AMENDED BY P.L.176-2005, SECTION 18, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. (a) On June 30 and on December 31 of each year, the auditor of state shall transfer to the treasurer of state seven million nine hundred thirty-two thousand two hundred nine dollars ($7,932,209) for distribution under subsection (b).

(b) On June 30 and on December 31 of each year the treasurer of state shall deposit into:
(1) the family violence and victim assistance fund established by IC 12-18-5-2 an amount equal to nine and thirty-seven hundredths percent (9.37%);
(2) the Indiana judges' retirement fund established by IC 33-38-6-12 an amount equal to thirty-two and fifty-three hundredths percent (32.53%);
(3) the law enforcement academy building fund established by IC 5-2-1-13 an amount equal to two **and** ninety-eight hundredths percent (2.98%);
(4) the law enforcement training fund established by IC 5-2-1-13 an amount equal to twelve percent (12%);
(5) the violent crime victims compensation fund established by IC 5-2-6.1-40 an amount equal to thirteen and ninety-five hundredths percent (13.95%);
(6) the motor vehicle highway account an amount equal to twenty-two and seventy-eight hundredths percent (22.78%);
(7) the fish and wildlife fund established by IC 14-22-3-2 an amount equal to twenty-eight hundredths of one percent (0.28%);
(8) the Indiana judicial center drug and alcohol programs fund established by IC 12-23-14-17 for the administration, certification, and support of alcohol and drug services programs under IC 12-23-14 an amount equal to one and eighty-nine hundredths percent (1.89%); and
(9) the DNA sample processing fund established under IC 10-13-6-9.5 for the funding of the collection, shipment, analysis, and preservation of DNA samples and the conduct of a DNA data base program under IC 10-13-6 an amount equal to

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four and twenty-two hundredths percent (4.22%);

of the amount transferred by the auditor of state under subsection (a).

(c) On June 30 and on December 31 of each year, the auditor of state shall transfer to the treasurer of state for deposit into the public defense fund established under IC 33-40-6-1:

(1) after June 30, 2004, and before July 1, 2005, one million seven hundred thousand dollars ($1,700,000); and

(2) after June 30, 2005, two million seven hundred thousand dollars ($2,700,000).

SECTION 516. IC 33-37-7-11 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 11. (a) This section applies to a county in which there is established a pension trust under IC 36-8-10-12.

(b) For each service of a writ, an order, a process, a notice, a tax warrant, or other paper completed by the sheriff of a county described in subsection (a), the sheriff shall submit to the county fiscal body a verified claim of service.

(c) From the county share distributed under section ~~3 or~~ 4 of this chapter and deposited into the county general fund, the county fiscal body shall appropriate twelve dollars ($12) for each verified claim submitted by the sheriff under subsection (b). Amounts appropriated under this subsection shall be deposited by the county auditor into the pension trust established under IC 36-8-10-12.

SECTION 517. IC 33-37-7-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. (a) Except:

(1) for the state share prescribed by ~~section 1 or~~ **section** 2 of this chapter for semiannual distribution; and

(2) as provided under ~~sections 1(g) and~~ **section** 2(g) of this chapter, IC 33-32-4-6, and IC 33-37-5-2;

not later than thirty (30) days after the clerk collects a fee, the clerk shall forward the fee to the county auditor if the clerk is a clerk of a circuit court, and to the city or town fiscal officer if the clerk is the clerk of a city or town court.

(b) If part of the fee is collected on behalf of another person for service as a juror or witness, the county auditor or city or town fiscal officer shall forward that part of the fee to the person not later than forty-five (45) days after the auditor or fiscal officer receives the claim for the fee.

(c) Except for amounts deposited in a user fee fund established under IC 33-37-8, the county auditor shall distribute fees received from the clerk to the following:

(1) The county treasurer for deposit in the county general fund, if

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the fee belongs to the county.

(2) The fiscal officer of a city or town, if the fee belongs to the city or town under section ~~5 or~~ 6 of this chapter.

(d) Except for amounts deposited in a user fee fund established under IC 33-37-8, the city or town fiscal officer shall deposit all fees received from a clerk in the city's or town's treasury.

(e) The clerk shall forward the state share of each fee to the state treasury at the clerk's semiannual settlement for state revenue.

SECTION 518. IC 33-37-9-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. On June 30 and December 31 each year, the auditor of state shall transfer to the treasurer of state for deposit in the state fund the fees distributed to the auditor of state under ~~IC 33-37-7-1(b),~~ IC 33-37-7-2(b) ~~IC 33-37-7-7(d),~~ and IC 33-37-7-8(d).

SECTION 519. IC 34-6-2-44.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 44.1. "Event", for purposes of section 3.3 of this chapter and IC 34-30-22, means:**

(1) a performance;

(2) a benefit;

(3) a fundraiser;

(4) an auction;

(5) a meal;

(6) a concert;

(7) a sporting event;

(8) a festival;

(9) a parade;

(10) a reception;

(11) a trade show;

(12) a convention;

(13) an educational program; or

(14) another occasion organized by or for a federally tax exempt organization.

SECTION 520. IC 34-6-2-44.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 44.2. "Exempt", for purposes of IC 34-55-10, means protected from a judicial lien, process, or proceeding to collect a debt.**

SECTION 521. IC 34-6-2-151 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 151. "Weekly newspaper", for purposes of ~~IC 35-15-4,~~ **IC 34-15-4,** means a newspaper that publishes one (1), two (2), three (3), or four (4) issues

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each week.

SECTION 522. IC 34-24-1-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.45-2005, SECTION 1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.160-2005, SECTION 17, AS AMENDED BY P.L.181-2005, SECTION 4, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.212-2005, SECTION 75, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) The following may be seized:

(1) All vehicles (as defined by IC 35-41-1), if they are used or are intended for use by the person or persons in possession of them to transport or in any manner to facilitate the transportation of the following:

(A) A controlled substance for the purpose of committing, attempting to commit, or conspiring to commit any of the following:

(i) Dealing in or manufacturing cocaine, a narcotic drug, or methamphetamine (IC 35-48-4-1).

(ii) Dealing in a schedule I, II, or III controlled substance (IC 35-48-4-2).

(iii) Dealing in a schedule IV controlled substance (IC 35-48-4-3).

(iv) Dealing in a schedule V controlled substance (IC 35-48-4-4).

(v) Dealing in a counterfeit substance (IC 35-48-4-5).

(vi) Possession of cocaine, a narcotic drug, or methamphetamine (IC 35-48-4-6).

(vii) Dealing in paraphernalia (IC 35-48-4-8.5).

(viii) Dealing in marijuana, hash oil, or hashish (IC 35-48-4-10).

(B) Any stolen (IC 35-43-4-2) or converted property (IC 35-43-4-3) if the retail or repurchase value of that property is one hundred dollars ($100) or more.

(C) Any hazardous waste in violation of IC 13-30-6-6.

(D) A bomb (as defined in IC 35-41-1-4.3) or weapon of mass destruction (as defined in IC 35-41-1-29.4) used to commit, used in an attempt to commit, or used in a conspiracy to commit an offense under IC 35-47 as part of or in furtherance of an act of terrorism (as defined by IC 35-41-1-26.5).

(2) All money, negotiable instruments, securities, weapons, communications devices, or any property used to commit, used in an attempt to commit, or used in a conspiracy to commit an offense under IC 35-47 as part of or in furtherance of an act of terrorism or commonly used as consideration for a violation of

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IC 35-48-4 (other than items subject to forfeiture under IC 16-42-20-5 or IC 16-6-8.5-5.1 before its repeal):

(A) furnished or intended to be furnished by any person in exchange for an act that is in violation of a criminal statute;

(B) used to facilitate any violation of a criminal statute; or

(C) traceable as proceeds of the violation of a criminal statute.

(3) Any portion of real or personal property purchased with money that is traceable as a proceed of a violation of a criminal statute.

(4) A vehicle that is used by a person to:

(A) commit, attempt to commit, or conspire to commit;

(B) facilitate the commission of; or

(C) escape from the commission of;

murder (IC 35-42-1-1), kidnapping (IC 35-42-3-2), criminal confinement (IC 35-42-3-3), rape (IC 35-42-4-1), child molesting (IC 35-42-4-3), or child exploitation (IC 35-42-4-4), or an offense under IC 35-47 as part of or in furtherance of an act of terrorism.

(5) Real property owned by a person who uses it to commit any of the following as a Class A felony, a Class B felony, or a Class C felony:

(A) Dealing in or manufacturing cocaine, a narcotic drug, or methamphetamine (IC 35-48-4-1).

(B) Dealing in a schedule I, II, or III controlled substance (IC 35-48-4-2).

(C) Dealing in a schedule IV controlled substance (IC 35-48-4-3).

(D) Dealing in marijuana, hash oil, or hashish (IC 35-48-4-10).

(6) Equipment and recordings used by a person to commit fraud under ~~*IC 35-43-5-4(11).*~~ *IC 35-43-5-4(10).*

(7) Recordings sold, rented, transported, or possessed by a person in violation of IC 24-4-10.

(8) Property (as defined by IC 35-41-1-23) or an enterprise (as defined by IC 35-45-6-1) that is the object of a corrupt business influence violation (IC 35-45-6-2).

(9) Unlawful telecommunications devices (as defined in IC 35-45-13-6) and plans, instructions, or publications used to commit an offense under IC 35-45-13.

(10) Any equipment used or intended for use in preparing, photographing, recording, videotaping, digitizing, printing, copying, or disseminating matter in violation of IC 35-42-4-4.

(11) Destructive devices used, possessed, transported, or sold in violation of IC 35-47.5.

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~~*(12) Cigarettes that are sold in violation of IC 24-3-5.2, cigarettes that a person attempts to sell in violation of IC 24-3-5.2, and other personal property owned and used by a person to facilitate a violation of IC 24-3-5.2.*~~

~~*(13)*~~ *(12)* Tobacco products that are sold in violation of IC 24-3-5, tobacco products that a person attempts to sell in violation of IC 24-3-5, and other personal property owned and used by a person to facilitate a violation of IC 24-3-5.

~~*(14)*~~ *(13) Property used by a person to commit counterfeiting or forgery in violation of IC 35-43-5-2.*

~~*(15)*~~ **(14)** *After December 31, 2005, if a person is convicted of an offense specified in IC 25-26-14-26(b) or IC 35-43-10, the following real or personal property:*

(A) Property used or intended to be used to commit, facilitate, or promote the commission of the offense.

(B) Property constituting, derived from, or traceable to the gross proceeds that the person obtained directly or indirectly as a result of the offense.

(b) A vehicle used by any person as a common or contract carrier in the transaction of business as a common or contract carrier is not subject to seizure under this section, unless it can be proven by a preponderance of the evidence that the owner of the vehicle knowingly permitted the vehicle to be used to engage in conduct that subjects it to seizure under subsection (a).

(c) Equipment under subsection (a)(10) may not be seized unless it can be proven by a preponderance of the evidence that the owner of the equipment knowingly permitted the equipment to be used to engage in conduct that subjects it to seizure under subsection (a)(10).

(d) Money, negotiable instruments, securities, weapons, communications devices, or any property commonly used as consideration for a violation of IC 35-48-4 found near or on a person who is committing, attempting to commit, or conspiring to commit any of the following offenses shall be admitted into evidence in an action under this chapter as prima facie evidence that the money, negotiable instrument, security, or other thing of value is property that has been used or was to have been used to facilitate the violation of a criminal statute or is the proceeds of the violation of a criminal statute:

(1) IC 35-48-4-1 (dealing in or manufacturing cocaine, a narcotic drug, or methamphetamine).

(2) IC 35-48-4-2 (dealing in a schedule I, II, or III controlled substance).

(3) IC 35-48-4-3 (dealing in a schedule IV controlled substance).

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(4) IC 35-48-4-4 (dealing in a schedule V controlled substance) as a Class B felony.

(5) IC 35-48-4-6 (possession of cocaine, a narcotic drug, or methamphetamine) as a Class A felony, Class B felony, or Class C felony.

(6) IC 35-48-4-10 (dealing in marijuana, hash oil, or hashish) as a Class C felony.

SECTION 523. IC 34-30-2-15 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 15. IC 5-20-1-19 (Concerning members and officers of the Indiana housing ~~finance~~ **and community development** authority).

SECTION 524. IC 34-30-2-64 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 64. IC 15-7-2-5 (Concerning the United States and the United States Secretary of Agriculture for the transfer of assets to the ~~commissioner~~ **director of the department** of agriculture on behalf of the Indiana rural rehabilitation corporation).

SECTION 525. IC 34-30-2-99 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 99. IC 25-22.5-6-3 (Concerning the executive director, employees, hearing officers, and board members of the ~~health professions service bureau).~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency).**

SECTION 526. IC 34-30-2-99.4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 99.4. IC 25-23-1-19.8(i) (Concerning licensed practitioners who release health records and patient information to the ~~health professions bureau).~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency).**

SECTION 527. IC 34-30-2-151.2, AS ADDED BY P.L.70-2005, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 151.2. IC 35-45-5-4.6 (Concerning the action of an interactive computer service in blocking ~~a~~ **the receipt or** transmission **of a commercial electronic mail message** it reasonably believes to be sent in violation of IC 35-45-5).

SECTION 528. IC 34-30-2-152.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 152.1. IC 35-47-15-6 (Concerning the state or a law enforcement agency for issuing evidence that a retired law enforcement officer meets the training and qualification standards for carrying certain firearms).**

SECTION 529. IC 34-30-2-152.3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 152.3. IC 35-48-4-14.7**

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(Concerning a retailer who discloses information concerning the sale of a product containing ephedrine or pseudoephedrine).

SECTION 530. IC 35-33-5-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.187-2005, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) A court may issue warrants only upon probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation, to search any place for any of the following:

(1) Property which is obtained unlawfully.

(2) Property, the possession of which is unlawful.

(3) Property used or possessed with intent to be used as the means of committing an offense or concealed to prevent an offense from being discovered.

(4) Property constituting evidence of an offense or tending to show that a particular person committed an offense.

(5) Any person.

(6) Evidence necessary to enforce statutes enacted to prevent cruelty to or neglect of children.

(7) A firearm possessed by a person who is dangerous (as defined in ~~IC 35-47-13-1).~~ **IC 35-47-14-1).**

(b) As used in this section, "place" includes any location where property might be secreted or hidden, including buildings, persons, or vehicles.

SECTION 531. IC 35-33-5-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.187-2005, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) All items of property seized by any law enforcement agency as a result of an arrest, search warrant, or warrantless search, shall be securely held by the law enforcement agency under the order of the court trying the cause, except as provided in this section.

(b) Evidence that consists of property obtained unlawfully from its owner may be returned by the law enforcement agency to the owner before trial, in accordance with IC 35-43-4-4(h).

(c) Following the final disposition of the cause at trial level or any other final disposition the following shall be done:

(1) Property which may be lawfully possessed shall be returned to its rightful owner, if known. If ownership is unknown, a reasonable attempt shall be made by the law enforcement agency holding the property to ascertain ownership of the property. After ninety (90) days from the time:

(A) the rightful owner has been notified to take possession of the property; or

(B) a reasonable effort has been made to ascertain ownership

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of the property;

the law enforcement agency holding the property shall, at such time as it is convenient, dispose of this property at a public auction. The proceeds of this property shall be paid into the county general fund.

(2) Except as provided in subsection (e), property, the possession of which is unlawful, shall be destroyed by the law enforcement agency holding it sixty (60) days after final disposition of the cause.

(3) A firearm that has been seized from a person who is dangerous (as defined in ~~IC 35-47-13-1)~~ **IC 35-47-14-1)** shall be retained, returned, or disposed of in accordance with ~~IC 35-47-13.~~ **IC 35-47-14).**

(d) If any property described in subsection (c) was admitted into evidence in the cause, the property shall be disposed of in accordance with an order of the court trying the cause.

(e) A law enforcement agency may destroy or cause to be destroyed chemicals or controlled substances associated with the illegal manufacture of drugs or controlled substances without a court order if all the following conditions are met:

(1) The law enforcement agency collects and preserves a sufficient quantity of the chemicals or controlled substances to demonstrate that the chemicals or controlled substances were associated with the illegal manufacture of drugs or controlled substances.

(2) The law enforcement agency takes photographs of the illegal drug manufacturing site that accurately depict the presence and quantity of chemicals and controlled substances.

(3) The law enforcement agency completes a chemical inventory report that describes the type and quantities of chemicals and controlled substances present at the illegal manufacturing site.

The photographs and description of the property shall be admissible into evidence in place of the actual physical evidence.

(f) For purposes of preserving the record of any conviction on appeal, a photograph demonstrating the nature of the property, and an adequate description of the property must be obtained before the disposition of it. In the event of a retrial, the photograph and description of the property shall be admissible into evidence in place of the actual physical evidence. All other rules of law governing the admissibility of evidence shall apply to the photographs.

(g) The law enforcement agency disposing of property in any manner provided in subsection (b), (c), or (e) shall maintain certified

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records of any such disposition. Disposition by destruction of property shall be witnessed by two (2) persons who shall also attest to the destruction.

(h) This section does not affect the procedure for the disposition of firearms seized by a law enforcement agency.

(i) A law enforcement agency that disposes of property by auction under this section shall permanently stamp or otherwise permanently identify the property as property sold by the law enforcement agency.

(j) Upon motion of the prosecuting attorney, the court shall order property seized under IC 34-24-1 transferred, subject to the perfected liens or other security interests of any person in the property, to the appropriate federal authority for disposition under 18 U.S.C. 981(e), 19 U.S.C. 1616a, or 21 U.S.C. 881(e) and any related regulations adopted by the United States Department of Justice.

SECTION 532. IC 35-33-8-3.2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.10-2005, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3.2. (a) A court may admit a defendant to bail and impose any of the following conditions to assure the defendant's appearance at any stage of the legal proceedings, or, upon a showing of clear and convincing evidence that the defendant poses a risk of physical danger to another person or the community, to assure the public's physical safety:

(1) Require the defendant to:

(A) execute a bail bond with sufficient solvent sureties;

(B) deposit cash or securities in an amount equal to the bail;

(C) execute a bond secured by real estate in the county, where thirty-three hundredths (0.33) of the true tax value less encumbrances is at least equal to the amount of the bail; or

(D) post a real estate bond.

The defendant must also pay the fee required by subsection (d).

(2) Require the defendant to execute a bail bond by depositing cash or securities with the clerk of the court in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the bail. If the defendant is convicted, the court may retain all or a part of the cash or securities to pay fines, costs, fees, and restitution, if ordered by the court. A portion of the deposit, not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the monetary value of the deposit or fifty dollars ($50), whichever is the lesser amount, may be retained as an administrative fee. The clerk shall also retain from the deposit under this subdivision the following:

(A) Fines, costs, fees, and restitution as ordered by the court.

(B) Publicly paid costs of representation that shall be disposed of in accordance with subsection (b).

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(C) In the event of the posting of a real estate bond, the bond shall be used only to insure the presence of the defendant at any stage of the legal proceedings, but shall not be foreclosed for the payment of fines, costs, fees, or restitution.

(D) The fee required by subsection (d).

The individual posting bail for the defendant or the defendant admitted to bail under this subdivision must be notified by the sheriff, court, or clerk that the defendant's deposit may be forfeited under section 7 of this chapter or retained under subsection (b).

(3) Impose reasonable restrictions on the activities, movements, associations, and residence of the defendant during the period of release.

(4) Require the defendant to refrain from any direct or indirect contact with an individual.

(5) Place the defendant under the reasonable supervision of a probation officer or other appropriate public official.

(6) Release the defendant into the care of a qualified person or organization responsible for supervising the defendant and assisting the defendant in appearing in court. The supervisor shall maintain reasonable contact with the defendant in order to assist the defendant in making arrangements to appear in court and, where appropriate, shall accompany the defendant to court. The supervisor need not be financially responsible for the defendant.

(7) Release the defendant on personal recognizance unless:

(A) the state presents evidence relevant to a risk by the defendant:

(i) of nonappearance; or

(ii) to the physical safety of the public; and

(B) the court finds by a preponderance of the evidence that the risk exists.

(8) Impose any other reasonable restrictions designed to assure the defendant's presence in court or the physical safety of another person or the community.

(b) Within thirty (30) days after disposition of the charges against the defendant, the court that admitted the defendant to bail shall order the clerk to remit the amount of the deposit remaining under subsection (a)(2) to the defendant. The portion of the deposit that is not remitted to the defendant shall be deposited by the clerk in the supplemental public defender services fund established under IC 33-40-3.

(c) For purposes of subsection (b), "disposition" occurs when the indictment or information is dismissed, or the defendant is acquitted or

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convicted of the charges.

(d) Except as provided in subsection (e), the clerk of the court shall:

(1) collect a fee of five dollars ($5) from each bond or deposit required under subsection (a)(1); and

(2) retain a fee of five dollars ($5) from each deposit under subsection (a)(2).

The clerk of the court shall semiannually remit the fees collected under this subsection to the board of trustees of the public employees' retirement fund for deposit in the ~~the~~ special death benefit fund. The fee required by subdivision (2) is in addition to the administrative fee retained under subsection (a)(2).

(e) With the approval of the clerk of the court, the county sheriff may collect the bail posted under this section. The county sheriff shall remit the bail to the clerk of the court by the following business day and remit monthly the five dollar ($5) special death benefit fee to the county auditor.

(f) When a court imposes a condition of bail described in subsection (a)(4):

(1) the clerk of the court shall comply with IC 5-2-9; and

(2) the prosecuting attorney shall file a confidential form prescribed or approved by the division of state court administration with the clerk.

SECTION 533. IC 35-38-2-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) Whenever it places a person on probation, the court shall:

(1) specify in the record the conditions of the probation; and

(2) advise the person that if the person violates a condition of probation during the probationary period, a petition to revoke probation may be filed before the earlier of the following:

(A) One (1) year after the termination of probation.

(B) Forty-five (45) days after the state receives notice of the violation.

(b) In addition, if the person was convicted of a felony and is placed on probation, the court shall order the person to pay to the probation department the user's fee prescribed under subsection ~~(c).~~ **(d).** If the person was convicted of a misdemeanor, the court may order the person to pay the user's fee prescribed under subsection ~~(d).~~ **(e).** The court may:

(1) modify the conditions (except a fee payment may only be modified as provided in section 1.7(b) of this chapter); or

(2) terminate the probation;

at any time. If the person commits an additional crime, the court may

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revoke the probation.

(c) If a clerk of a court collects a probation user's fee, the clerk:

(1) may keep not more than three percent (3%) of the fee to defray the administrative costs of collecting the fee and shall deposit any fee kept under this subsection in the clerk's record perpetuation fund established under IC 33-37-5-2; and

(2) if requested to do so by the county auditor, city fiscal officer, or town fiscal officer under clause (A), (B), or (C), transfer not more than three percent (3%) of the fee to the:

(A) county auditor, who shall deposit the money transferred under this subdivision into the county general fund;

(B) city general fund when requested by the city fiscal officer; or

(C) town general fund when requested by the town fiscal officer.

(d) In addition to any other conditions of probation, the court shall order each person convicted of a felony to pay:

(1) not less than twenty-five dollars ($25) nor more than one hundred dollars ($100) as an initial probation user's fee;

(2) a monthly probation user's fee of not less than fifteen dollars ($15) nor more than thirty dollars ($30) for each month that the person remains on probation;

(3) the costs of the laboratory test or series of tests to detect and confirm the presence of the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) antigen or antibodies to the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) if such tests are required by the court under section 2.3 of this chapter;

(4) an alcohol abuse deterrent fee and a medical fee set by the court under IC 9-30-9-8, if the court has referred the defendant to an alcohol abuse deterrent program; and

(5) an administrative fee of one hundred dollars ($100);

to either the probation department or the clerk.

(e) In addition to any other conditions of probation, the court may order each person convicted of a misdemeanor to pay:

(1) not more than a fifty dollar ($50) initial probation user's fee;

(2) a monthly probation user's fee of not less than ten dollars ($10) nor more than twenty dollars ($20) for each month that the person remains on probation;

(3) the costs of the laboratory test or series of tests to detect and confirm the presence of the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) antigen or antibodies to the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) if such tests are required by the court under section 2.3 of this

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chapter; and

(4) an administrative fee of fifty dollars ($50);

to either the probation department or the clerk.

(f) The probation department or clerk shall collect the administrative fees under subsections (d)(5) and (e)(4) before collecting any other fee under subsection (d) or (e). All money collected by the probation department or the clerk under this section shall be transferred to the county treasurer, who shall deposit the money into the county supplemental adult probation services fund. The fiscal body of the county shall appropriate money from the county supplemental adult probation services fund:

(1) to the county, superior, circuit, or municipal court of the county that provides probation services to adults to supplement adult probation services; and

(2) to supplement the salaries of probation officers in accordance with the schedule adopted by the county fiscal body under IC 36-2-16.5.

(g) The probation department or clerk shall collect the administrative fee under subsection (e)(4) before collecting any other fee under subsection (e). All money collected by the probation department or the clerk of a city or town court under this section shall be transferred to the fiscal officer of the city or town for deposit into the local supplemental adult probation services fund. The fiscal body of the city or town shall appropriate money from the local supplemental adult probation services fund to the city or town court of the city or town for the court's use in providing probation services to adults or for the court's use for other purposes as may be appropriated by the fiscal body. Money may be appropriated under this subsection only to those city or town courts that have an adult probation services program. If a city or town court does not have such a program, the money collected by the probation department must be transferred and appropriated as provided under subsection (f).

(h) Except as provided in subsection (j), the county or local supplemental adult probation services fund may be used only to supplement probation services and to supplement salaries for probation officers. A supplemental probation services fund may not be used to replace other funding of probation services. Any money remaining in the fund at the end of the year does not revert to any other fund but continues in the county or local supplemental adult probation services fund.

(i) A person placed on probation for more than one (1) crime:

(1) may be required to pay more than one (1) initial probation

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user's fee; and

(2) may not be required to pay more than one (1) monthly probation user's fee per month;

to the probation department or the clerk.

(j) This subsection applies to a city or town located in a county having a population of more than one hundred eighty-two thousand seven hundred ninety (182,790) but less than two hundred thousand (200,000). Any money remaining in the local supplemental adult probation services fund at the end of the local fiscal year may be appropriated by the city or town fiscal body to the city or town court for use by the court for purposes determined by the fiscal body.

(k) In addition to other methods of payment allowed by law, a probation department may accept payment of fees required under this section and section 1.5 of this chapter by credit card (as defined in IC 14-11-1-7). The liability for payment is not discharged until the probation department receives payment or credit from the institution responsible for making the payment or credit.

(l) The probation department may contract with a bank or credit card vendor for acceptance of bank or credit cards. However, if there is a vendor transaction charge or discount fee, whether billed to the probation department or charged directly to the probation department's account, the probation department may collect a credit card service fee from the person using the bank or credit card. The fee collected under this subsection is a permitted additional charge to the money the probation department is required to collect under subsection (d) or (e).

(m) The probation department shall forward the credit card service fees collected under subsection (l) to the county treasurer or city or town fiscal officer in accordance with subsection (f) or (g). These funds may be used without appropriation to pay the transaction charge or discount fee charged by the bank or credit card vendor.

SECTION 534. IC 35-41-1-17, AS AMENDED BY P.L.222-2005, SECTION 46, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 17. (a) "Law enforcement officer" means:

(1) a police officer, sheriff, constable, marshal, prosecuting attorney, special prosecuting attorney, special deputy prosecuting attorney, or the inspector general;

(2) a deputy of any of those persons;

(3) an investigator for a prosecuting attorney or for the inspector general;

(4) a conservation officer; or

(5) an enforcement officer of the alcohol and tobacco commission.

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(b) "Federal enforcement officer" means any of the following:

(1) A Federal Bureau of Investigation special agent.

(2) A United States Marshals Service marshal or deputy.

(3) A United States Secret Service special agent.

(4) A United States Fish and Wildlife Service special agent.

(5) A United States Drug Enforcement Agency agent.

(6) A Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, ~~and~~ Firearms **and Explosives** agent.

(7) A United States Forest Service law enforcement officer.

(8) A United States Department of Defense police officer or criminal investigator.

(9) A United States Customs Service agent.

(10) A United States Postal Service investigator.

(11) A National Park Service law enforcement commissioned ranger.

(12) United States Department of Agriculture, Office of Inspector General special agent.

(13) A United States Immigration and Naturalization Service special agent.

(14) An individual who is:

(A) an employee of a federal agency; and

(B) authorized to make arrests and carry a firearm in the performance of the individual's official duties.

SECTION 535. IC 35-43-5-7.1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7.1. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), a person who knowingly or intentionally:

(1) files a Medicaid claim, including an electronic claim, in violation of IC 12-15;

(2) obtains payment from the Medicaid program under IC 12-15 by means of a false or misleading oral or written statement or other fraudulent means;

(3) acquires a provider number under the Medicaid program except as authorized by law;

(4) alters with the intent to defraud or falsifies documents or records of a provider (as defined in ~~42 CFR 1002.301)~~ **42 CFR 1000.30)** that are required to be kept under the Medicaid program; or

(5) conceals information for the purpose of applying for or receiving unauthorized payments from the Medicaid program;

commits Medicaid fraud, a Class D felony.

(b) The offense described in subsection (a) is a Class C felony if the fair market value of the offense is at least one hundred thousand dollars

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($100,000).

SECTION 536. IC 35-44-1-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.222-2005, SECTION 47, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) A person who:

(1) confers, offers, or agrees to confer on a public servant, either before or after the public servant becomes appointed, elected, or qualified, any property except property the public servant is authorized by law to accept, with intent to control the performance of an act related to the employment or function of the public servant or because of any official act performed or to be performed by the public servant, former public servant, or person selected to be a public servant;

(2) being a public servant, solicits, accepts, or agrees to accept, either before or after the person becomes appointed, elected, or qualified, any property, except property the person is authorized by law to accept, with intent to control the performance of an act related to the person's employment or function as a public servant;

(3) confers, offers, or agrees to confer on a person any property, except property the person is authorized by law to accept, with intent to cause that person to control the performance of an act related to the employment or function of a public servant;

(4) solicits, accepts, or agrees to accept any property, except property the person is authorized by law to accept, with intent to control the performance of an act related to the employment or function of a public servant;

(5) confers, offers, or agrees to confer any property on a person participating or officiating in, or connected with, an athletic contest, sporting event, or exhibition, with intent that the person will fail to use the person's best efforts in connection with that contest, event, or exhibition;

(6) being a person participating or officiating in, or connected with, an athletic contest, sporting event, or exhibition, solicits, accepts, or agrees to accept any property with intent that the person will fail to use the person's best efforts in connection with that contest, event, or exhibition;

(7) being a witness or informant in an official proceeding or investigation, solicits, accepts, or agrees to accept any property, with intent to:

(A) withhold any testimony, information, document, or thing;

(B) avoid legal process summoning the person to testify or supply evidence; or

(C) absent the person from the proceeding or investigation to

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which the person has been legally summoned;

(8) confers, offers, or agrees to confer any property on a witness or informant in an official proceeding or investigation, with intent that the witness or informant:

(A) withhold any testimony, information, document, or thing;

(B) avoid legal process summoning the witness or informant to testify or supply evidence; or

(C) absent ~~the person~~ **himself or herself** from any proceeding or investigation to which the witness or informant has been legally summoned; or

(9) confers or offers or agrees to confer any property on an individual for:

(A) casting a ballot or refraining from casting a ballot; or

(B) voting for a political party, for a candidate, or for or against a public question;

in an election described in IC 3-5-1-2 or at a convention of a political party authorized under IC 3;

commits bribery, a Class C felony.

(b) It is no defense that the person whom the accused person sought to control was not qualified to act in the desired way.

SECTION 537. IC 35-46-1-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.2-2005, SECTION 126, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec.** 8. (a) A person at least eighteen (18) years of age who knowingly or intentionally encourages, aids, induces, or causes a person less than eighteen (18) years of age to commit an act of delinquency (as defined by IC 31-37-1 or IC 31-37-2) commits contributing to delinquency, a Class A misdemeanor.

(b) However, the offense described in subsection (a) is a Class C felony:

(1) if:

(A) the person committing the offense is at least twenty-one (21) years of age and knowingly or intentionally furnishes:

(i) an alcoholic beverage to a person less than eighteen (18) years of age in violation of IC 7.1-5-7-8 when the person committing the offense knew or reasonably should have known that the person furnished the alcoholic beverage was less than eighteen (18) years of age; or

(ii) a controlled substance (as defined in IC 35-48-1-9) or a drug (as defined in IC 9-13-2-49.1) in violation of Indiana law; and

(B) the consumption, ingestion, or use of the alcoholic beverage, controlled substance, or drug is the proximate cause

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of the death of any person; or

(2) if the person committing the offense knowingly or intentionally encourages, aids, induces, or causes a person less than eighteen (18) years of age to commit an act that would be a felony if committed by an adult under any of the following:

(A) IC 35-48-4-1.

(B) IC 35-48-4-2.

(C) IC 35-48-4-3.

(D) IC 35-48-4-4.

(E) IC 35-48-4-4.5.

(F) IC 35-48-4-4.6.

(G) IC 35-48-4-5.

SECTION 538. IC 35-47-1-5.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5.5. "Gun show" has the meaning set forth in ~~27 C.F.R. 178.100.~~ **27 CFR 478.100.**

SECTION 539. IC 35-47-2-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) The superintendent may suspend or revoke any license issued under this chapter if he has reasonable grounds to believe that the person's license should be suspended or revoked.

(b) Documented evidence that a person is not a "proper person" to be licensed as defined by IC 35-47-1-7, or is prohibited under ~~section 3(g)(4)~~ **section 3(g)(5)** of this chapter from being issued a license, shall be grounds for immediate suspension or revocation of a license previously issued under this chapter. However, if a license is suspended or revoked based solely on an arrest under ~~section 3(g)(4)~~ **section 3(g)(5)** of this chapter, the license shall be reinstated upon the acquittal of the defendant in that case or upon the dismissal of the charges for the specific offense.

(c) A person who fails to promptly return his license after written notice of suspension or revocation commits a Class A misdemeanor. The observation of a handgun license in the possession of a person whose license has been suspended or revoked constitutes a sufficient basis for the arrest of that person for violation of this subsection.

(d) The superintendent shall establish rules under IC 4-22-2 concerning the procedure for suspending or revoking a person's license.

SECTION 540. IC 35-47-4.5-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.170-2005, SECTION 18, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.227-2005, SECTION 11, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "public safety officer" means:

(1) a state police officer;

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(2) a county sheriff;
(3) a county police officer;
(4) a correctional officer;
(5) an excise police officer;
(6) a county police reserve officer;
(7) a city police officer;
(8) a city police reserve officer;
(9) a conservation enforcement officer;
(10) a gaming agent;
~~(10)~~ *(11)* a town marshal;
~~(11)~~ *(12)* a deputy town marshal;
~~(12)~~ *(13)* a state university police officer appointed under IC 20-12-3.5;
~~(13)~~ *(14)* a probation officer;
~~(14)~~ *(15)* a firefighter (as defined in IC 9-18-34-1);
~~(15)~~ *(16)* an emergency medical technician; or
~~(16)~~ *(17)* a paramedic; *or*
~~(17)~~ **(18)** *a member of a consolidated law enforcement department established under IC 36-3-1-5.1.*

SECTION 541. IC 35-47-14 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]:

Chapter 14. Proceedings for the Seizure and Retention of a Firearm

Sec. 1. (a) For the purposes of this chapter, an individual is "dangerous" if:

(1) the individual presents an imminent risk of personal injury to the individual or to another individual; or

(2) the individual may present a risk of personal injury to the individual or to another individual in the future and the individual:

(A) has a mental illness (as defined in IC 12-7-2-130) that may be controlled by medication, and has not demonstrated a pattern of voluntarily and consistently taking the individual's medication while not under supervision; or

(B) is the subject of documented evidence that would give rise to a reasonable belief that the individual has a propensity for violent or emotionally unstable conduct.

(b) The fact that an individual has been released from a mental health facility or has a mental illness that is currently controlled by medication does not establish that the individual is dangerous for

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the purposes of this chapter.

Sec. 2. A circuit or superior court may issue a warrant to search for and seize a firearm in the possession of an individual who is dangerous if:

(1) a law enforcement officer provides the court a sworn affidavit that:

(A) states why the law enforcement officer believes that the individual is dangerous and in possession of a firearm; and

(B) describes the law enforcement officer's interactions and conversations with:

(i) the individual who is alleged to be dangerous; or

(ii) another individual, if the law enforcement officer believes that information obtained from this individual is credible and reliable;

that have led the law enforcement officer to believe that the individual is dangerous and in possession of a firearm;

(2) the affidavit specifically describes the location of the firearm; and

(3) the circuit or superior court determines that probable cause exists to believe that the individual is:

(A) dangerous; and

(B) in possession of a firearm.

Sec. 3. (a) If a law enforcement officer seizes a firearm from an individual whom the law enforcement officer believes to be dangerous without obtaining a warrant, the law enforcement officer shall submit to the circuit or superior court having jurisdiction over the individual believed to be dangerous a written statement under oath or affirmation describing the basis for the law enforcement officer's belief that the individual is dangerous.

(b) The court shall review the written statement submitted under subsection (a). If the court finds that probable cause exists to believe that the individual is dangerous, the court shall order the law enforcement agency having custody of the firearm to retain the firearm. If the court finds that there is no probable cause to believe that the individual is dangerous, the court shall order the law enforcement agency having custody of the firearm to return the firearm to the individual.

(c) This section does not authorize a law enforcement officer to perform a warrantless search or seizure if a warrant would otherwise be required.

Sec. 4. If a court issued a warrant to seize a firearm under this chapter, the law enforcement officer who served the warrant shall,

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not later than forty-eight (48) hours after the warrant was served, file a return with the court that:

(1) states that the warrant was served; and

(2) sets forth:

(A) the time and date on which the warrant was served;

(B) the name and address of the individual named in the warrant; and

(C) the quantity and identity of any firearms seized by the law enforcement officer.

Sec. 5. (a) Not later than fourteen (14) days after a return is filed under section 4 of this chapter or a written statement is submitted under section 3 of this chapter, the court shall conduct a hearing to determine whether the seized firearm should be:

(1) returned to the individual from whom the firearm was seized; or

(2) retained by the law enforcement agency having custody of the firearm.

(b) The court shall set the hearing date as soon as possible after the return is filed under section 4 of this chapter. The court shall inform:

(1) the prosecuting attorney; and

(2) the individual from whom the firearm was seized;

of the date, time, and location of the hearing. The court may conduct the hearing at a facility or other suitable place not likely to have a harmful effect upon the individual's health or well-being.

Sec. 6. (a) In a hearing conducted under section 5 of this chapter, the state has the burden of proving all material facts by clear and convincing evidence.

(b) If the court, in a hearing under section 5 of this chapter, determines that the state has proved by clear and convincing evidence that the individual is dangerous, the court may order that the law enforcement agency having custody of the seized firearm retain the firearm. In addition, if the individual has received a license to carry a handgun, the court shall suspend the individual's license to carry a handgun. If the court determines that the state has failed to prove that the individual is dangerous, the court shall order the law enforcement agency having custody of the firearm to return the firearm to the individual from whom it was seized.

(c) If the court, in a hearing under section 5 of this chapter, orders a law enforcement agency to retain a firearm, the law enforcement agency shall retain the firearm until the court orders the firearm returned or otherwise disposed of.

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Sec. 7. If the court, in a hearing conducted under section 5 of this chapter, determines that:

(1) the individual from whom a firearm was seized is dangerous; and

(2) the firearm seized from the individual is owned by another individual;

the court may order the law enforcement agency having custody of the firearm to return the firearm to the owner of the firearm.

Sec. 8. (a) At least one hundred eighty (180) days after the date on which a court orders a law enforcement agency to retain an individual's firearm under section 6(b) of this chapter, the individual may petition the court for return of the firearm.

(b) Upon receipt of a petition described in subsection (a), the court shall:

(1) enter an order setting a date for a hearing on the petition; and

(2) inform the prosecuting attorney of the date, time, and location of the hearing.

(c) The prosecuting attorney shall represent the state at the hearing on a petition under this section.

(d) In a hearing on a petition under this section, the individual:

(1) may be represented by an attorney; and

(2) must prove by a preponderance of the evidence that the individual is not dangerous.

(e) If, upon the completion of the hearing and consideration of the record, the court finds that the individual is not dangerous, the court shall order the law enforcement agency having custody of the firearm to return the firearm to the individual.

(f) If the court denies an individual's petition under this section, the individual may not file a subsequent petition until at least one hundred eighty (180) days after the date on which the court denied the petition.

Sec. 9. If at least five (5) years have passed since a court conducted the first hearing to retain a firearm under this chapter, the court, after giving notice to the parties and conducting a hearing, may order the law enforcement agency having custody of the firearm to destroy or otherwise permanently dispose of the firearm.

SECTION 542. IC 35-47-15 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]:

Chapter 15. Retired Law Enforcement Officers Identification

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for Carrying Firearms

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "firearm" has the meaning set forth in 18 U.S.C. 926C(e).

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "law enforcement agency" means an agency or department of:

(1) the state; or

(2) a political subdivision of the state;

whose principal function is the apprehension of criminal offenders.

Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "law enforcement officer" has the meaning set forth in IC 35-41-1-17(a). The term includes an arson investigator employed by the office of the state fire marshal.

Sec. 4. After June 30, 2005, all law enforcement agencies shall issue annually to each person who has retired from that agency as a law enforcement officer a photographic identification.

Sec. 5. (a) In addition to the photographic identification issued under section 4 of this chapter, after June 30, 2005, a retired law enforcement officer who carries a concealed firearm under 18 U.S.C. 926C must obtain annually, for each type of firearm that the retired officer intends to carry as a concealed firearm, evidence that the retired officer meets the training and qualification standards for carrying that type of firearm that are established:

(1) by the retired officer's law enforcement agency, for active officers of the agency; or

(2) by the state, for active law enforcement officers in the state.

A retired law enforcement officer bears any expense associated with obtaining the evidence required under this subsection.

(b) The evidence required under subsection (a) is one (1) of the following:

(1) For compliance with the standards described in subsection (a)(1), an endorsement issued by the retired officer's law enforcement agency with or as part of the photographic identification issued under section 4 of this chapter.

(2) For compliance with the standards described in subsection (a)(2), a certification issued by the state.

Sec. 6. An entity that provides evidence required under section 5 of this chapter is immune from civil or criminal liability for providing the evidence.

SECTION 543. IC 35-47.5-2-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. ~~"Office"~~ **"Division"** refers to the ~~office of the state fire marshal.~~ **division of fire and building safety.**

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SECTION 544. IC 35-47.5-4-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. The ~~office~~ **division** shall carry out a program to periodically inspect places where regulated explosives are manufactured.

SECTION 545. IC 35-47.5-4-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The ~~office~~ **division** may order any person engaged in the manufacture or handling of a regulated explosive and any person with control over a place where regulated explosives are manufactured or handled to maintain insurance covering fire and explosion losses. The order is not effective until sixty (60) days after the date that notice of the order is received.

(b) The state fire marshal shall specify the insurance required under subsection (a) in an amount not less than ten thousand dollars ($10,000) nor more than two hundred fifty thousand dollars ($250,000).

(c) Proof of the insurance required under this section must be maintained with the department of insurance.

(d) The insurance commissioner may exempt a person from the insurance requirements under this section if an applicant for the exemption submits proof that the applicant has the financial ability to discharge all judgments in the amount specified by the state fire marshal. The insurance commissioner may revoke an exemption under this subsection if the commissioner requires additional proof of financial ability and:

(1) the exempted person fails to comply with the order; or

(2) the insurance commissioner determines that the exempted person has failed to provide adequate proof of financial ability.

SECTION 546. IC 35-47.5-4-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. The ~~office~~ **division** shall carry out a program to periodically inspect places where regulated explosives are stored.

SECTION 547. IC 35-47.5-4-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) The ~~office~~ **division** shall issue a regulated explosives magazine permit to maintain an explosives magazine to an applicant who qualifies under section 5 of this chapter.

(b) A permit issued under subsection (a) expires one (1) year after it is issued. The permit is limited to storage of the types and maximum quantities of explosives specified in the permit in the place covered by the permit and under the construction and location requirements specified in the rules of the commission.

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SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4.5. (a) This section does not apply to:

(1) a person who is regulated under IC 14-34; or

(2) near surface or subsurface use of regulated explosives associated with oil and natural gas:

(A) exploration;

(B) development;

(C) production; or

(D) abandonment activities or procedures.

(b) The commission shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to:

(1) govern the use of a regulated explosive; and

(2) establish requirements for the issuance of a license for the use of a regulated explosive.

(c) The commission shall include the following requirements in the rules adopted under subsection (b):

(1) Relicensure every three (3) years after the initial issuance of a license.

(2) Continuing education as a condition of relicensure.

(3) An application for licensure or relicensure must be submitted to the ~~office~~ **division** on forms approved by the commission.

(4) A fee for licensure and relicensure.

(5) Reciprocal recognition of a license for the use of a regulated explosive issued by another state if the licensure requirements of the other state are substantially similar to the licensure requirements established by the commission.

(d) A person may not use a regulated explosive unless the person has a license issued under this section for the use of a regulated explosive.

(e) The ~~office~~ **division** shall carry out the licensing and relicensing program under the rules adopted by the commission.

(f) As used in this section, "regulated explosive" does not include either of the following:

(1) Consumer fireworks (as defined in 27 CFR 555.11).

(2) Commercially manufactured black powder in quantities not to exceed fifty (50) pounds, if the black powder is intended to be used solely for sporting, recreational, or cultural purposes in antique firearms or antique devices.

SECTION 549. IC 35-47.5-5-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of this chapter do not apply to the following:

(1) A person authorized to manufacture, possess, transport, distribute, or use a destructive device or detonator under the laws

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of the United States, as amended, or under Indiana law when the person is acting in accordance with the laws, regulations, and rules issued under federal or Indiana law.

(2) A person who is issued a permit for blasting or surface coal mining by the director of the department of natural resources under IC 14-34 when the person is acting under the laws and rules of Indiana and any ordinances and regulations of the political subdivision or authority of the state where blasting or mining operations are being performed.

(3) Fireworks (as defined in IC 22-11-14-1) and a person authorized by the laws of Indiana and of the United States to manufacture, possess, distribute, transport, store, exhibit, display, or use fireworks.

(4) A law enforcement agency, a fire service agency, **the department of homeland security,** or an emergency management agency of Indiana, an agency or an authority of a political subdivision of the state or the United States, and an employee or authorized agent of the United States while in performance of official duties.

(5) A law enforcement officer, a fire official, or an emergency management official of the United States or any other state if that person is attending training in Indiana.

(6) The armed forces of the United States or of Indiana.

(7) Research or educational programs conducted by or on behalf of a college, university, or secondary school that are:

(A) authorized by the chief executive officer of the educational institution or the officer's designee; or

(B) conducted under the policy of the educational institution; and conducted in accordance with the laws of the United States and Indiana.

(8) The use of explosive materials in medicines and medicinal agents in forms prescribed by the most recent published edition of the official United States Pharmacopoeia or the National Formulary.

(9) Small arms ammunition and reloading components of small arms ammunition.

(10) Commercially manufactured black powder in quantities not to exceed fifty (50) pounds, percussion caps, safety and pyrotechnic fuses, quills, quick and slow matches, and friction primers intended to be used solely for sporting, recreational, or cultural purposes in antique firearms or antique devices.

(11) An explosive that is lawfully possessed for use in legitimate

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agricultural or business activities.

SECTION 550. IC 35-48-2-1.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1.5. (a) The advisory committee shall annually elect a chairperson and any other officers that the advisory committee determines necessary from among its members.

(b) Meetings of the advisory committee may be called by:

(1) the advisory committee chairperson; or

(2) a majority of the members of the advisory committee.

(c) Seven (7) members of the committee constitute a quorum.

(d) Notwithstanding IC 1-1-4-1, if at least a quorum of its members are present at a meeting, the committee may take an action by an affirmative vote of at least a majority of the members present and voting.

(e) The advisory committee shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to:

(1) set standards related to the registration and control of the manufacture, distribution, and dispensing of controlled substances, including record keeping requirements;

(2) set fees described in IC 25-1-8; and

(3) carry out its responsibilities under IC 35-48-2 through IC 35-48-3. ~~and IC 35-48-6.~~

(f) The ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** shall provide staff and facilities to the advisory committee under IC 25-1-5.

(g) Each member of the committee who is not a state employee is entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). Such a member is also entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties, as provided in the state travel policies and procedures established by the department of administration and approved by the ~~state~~ budget agency.

(h) Each member of the committee who is a state employee is entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties, as provided in the state travel policies and procedures established by the department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

SECTION 551. IC 35-48-7-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. (a) The ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** or the central repository is responsible for the costs of the program, including the following costs:

(1) Telephone access charges, line charges, and switch charges

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for transmission of data by dispensers to the central repository.

(2) Purchase of modems and other hardware required for program participation.

(3) Software and software modifications to allow dispensers to participate in the program.

(b) A dispenser may not be penalized for failure to comply with the program if the ~~health professions bureau~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency** or the central repository cannot secure adequate funding to implement the program and cover the costs under subsection (a).

SECTION 552. IC 35-48-7-13 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 13. (a) The controlled substances data fund is established to fund the operation of the central repository. The fund shall be administered by the ~~health professions bureau.~~ **Indiana professional licensing agency.**

(b) Expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from money in the fund. The fund consists of grants, public and private financial assistance, and sixteen percent (16%) of the controlled substances registration fees imposed under IC 35-48-3-1.

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

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

SECTION 553. IC 35-50-1-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.71-2005, SECTION 4, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.213-2005, SECTION 4, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) As used in this section, "crime of violence" means:

(1) murder (IC 35-42-1-1);

(2) attempted murder (IC 35-41-5-1);

(3) voluntary manslaughter (IC 35-42-1-3);

(4) involuntary manslaughter (IC 35-42-1-4);

(5) reckless homicide (IC 35-42-1-5);

(6) aggravated battery (IC 35-42-2-1.5);

(7) kidnapping (IC 35-42-3-2);

(8) rape (IC 35-42-4-1);

(9) criminal deviate conduct (IC 35-42-4-2);

(10) child molesting (IC 35-42-4-3);

(11) sexual misconduct with a minor as a Class A felony under IC 35-42-4-9(a)(2) or a Class B felony under IC 35-42-4-9(b)(2);

(12) robbery as a Class A felony or a Class B felony

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(IC 35-42-5-1);

(13) burglary as a Class A felony or a Class B felony (IC 35-43-2-1); or

(14) causing death when operating a motor vehicle (IC 9-30-5-5).

(b) As used in this section, "episode of criminal conduct" means offenses or a connected series of offenses that are closely related in time, place, and circumstance.

(c) Except as provided in subsection (d) or (e), the court shall determine whether terms of imprisonment shall be served concurrently or consecutively. The court may consider the:

(1) aggravating circumstances in *IC 35-38-1-7.1(a);* ~~*IC 35-37-2.5-2;*~~ and

(2) mitigating circumstances in IC 35-38-1-7.1(b); ~~*and IC 35-38-1-7.1(c);*~~

in making a determination under this subsection. The court may order terms of imprisonment to be served consecutively even if the sentences are not imposed at the same time. However, except for crimes of violence, the total of the consecutive terms of imprisonment, exclusive of terms of imprisonment under IC 35-50-2-8 and IC 35-50-2-10, to which the defendant is sentenced for felony convictions arising out of an episode of criminal conduct shall not exceed the advisory sentence for a felony which is one (1) class of felony higher than the most serious of the felonies for which the person has been convicted.

(d) If, after being arrested for one (1) crime, a person commits another crime:

(1) before the date the person is discharged from probation, parole, or a term of imprisonment imposed for the first crime; or

(2) while the person is released:

(A) upon the person's own recognizance; or

(B) on bond;

the terms of imprisonment for the crimes shall be served consecutively, regardless of the order in which the crimes are tried and sentences are imposed.

(e) If the factfinder determines under IC 35-50-2-11 that a person used a firearm in the commission of the offense for which the person was convicted, the term of imprisonment for the underlying offense and the additional term of imprisonment imposed under IC 35-50-2-11 must be served consecutively.

SECTION 554. IC 35-50-2-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. (a) The state may seek either a death sentence or a sentence of life imprisonment without parole for murder by alleging, on a page separate from the rest

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of the charging instrument, the existence of at least one (1) of the aggravating circumstances listed in subsection (b). In the sentencing hearing after a person is convicted of murder, the state must prove beyond a reasonable doubt the existence of at least one (1) of the aggravating circumstances alleged. However, the state may not proceed against a defendant under this section if a court determines at a pretrial hearing under IC 35-36-9 that the defendant is a mentally retarded individual.

(b) The aggravating circumstances are as follows:

(1) The defendant committed the murder by intentionally killing the victim while committing or attempting to commit any of the following:

(A) Arson (IC 35-43-1-1).

(B) Burglary (IC 35-43-2-1).

(C) Child molesting (IC 35-42-4-3).

(D) Criminal deviate conduct (IC 35-42-4-2).

(E) Kidnapping (IC 35-42-3-2).

(F) Rape (IC 35-42-4-1).

(G) Robbery (IC 35-42-5-1).

(H) Carjacking (IC 35-42-5-2).

(I) Criminal gang activity (IC 35-45-9-3).

(J) Dealing in cocaine or a narcotic drug (IC 35-48-4-1).

(2) The defendant committed the murder by the unlawful detonation of an explosive with intent to injure person or damage property.

(3) The defendant committed the murder by lying in wait.

(4) The defendant who committed the murder was hired to kill.

(5) The defendant committed the murder by hiring another person to kill.

(6) The victim of the murder was a corrections employee, probation officer, parole officer, community corrections worker, home detention officer, fireman, judge, or law enforcement officer, and either:

(A) the victim was acting in the course of duty; or

(B) the murder was motivated by an act the victim performed while acting in the course of duty.

(7) The defendant has been convicted of another murder.

(8) The defendant has committed another murder, at any time, regardless of whether the defendant has been convicted of that other murder.

(9) The defendant was:

(A) under the custody of the department of correction;

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(B) under the custody of a county sheriff;
(C) on probation after receiving a sentence for the commission of a felony; or
(D) on parole;
at the time the murder was committed.
(10) The defendant dismembered the victim.
(11) The defendant burned, mutilated, or tortured the victim while the victim was alive.
(12) The victim of the murder was less than twelve (12) years of age.
(13) The victim was a victim of any of the following offenses for which the defendant was convicted:
(A) Battery as a Class D felony or as a Class C felony under IC 35-42-2-1.
(B) Kidnapping (IC 35-42-3-2).
(C) Criminal confinement (IC 35-42-3-3).
(D) A sex crime under IC 35-42-4.
(14) The victim of the murder was listed by the state or known by the defendant to be a witness against the defendant and the defendant committed the murder with the intent to prevent the person from testifying.
(15) The defendant committed the murder by intentionally discharging a firearm (as defined in IC 35-47-1-5):
(A) into an inhabited dwelling; or
(B) from a vehicle.
(16) The victim of the murder was pregnant and the murder resulted in the intentional killing of a fetus that has attained viability (as defined in IC 16-18-2-365).

(c) The mitigating circumstances that may be considered under this section are as follows:
(1) The defendant has no significant history of prior criminal conduct.
(2) The defendant was under the influence of extreme mental or emotional disturbance when the murder was committed.
(3) The victim was a participant in or consented to the defendant's conduct.
(4) The defendant was an accomplice in a murder committed by another person, and the defendant's participation was relatively minor.
(5) The defendant acted under the substantial domination of another person.
(6) The defendant's capacity to appreciate the criminality of the

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defendant's conduct or to conform that conduct to the requirements of law was substantially impaired as a result of mental disease or defect or of intoxication.

(7) The defendant was less than eighteen (18) years of age at the time the murder was committed.

(8) Any other circumstances appropriate for consideration.

(d) If the defendant was convicted of murder in a jury trial, the jury shall reconvene for the sentencing hearing. If the trial was to the court, or the judgment was entered on a guilty plea, the court alone shall conduct the sentencing hearing. The jury or the court may consider all the evidence introduced at the trial stage of the proceedings, together with new evidence presented at the sentencing hearing. The court shall instruct the jury concerning the statutory penalties for murder and any other offenses for which the defendant was convicted, the potential for consecutive or concurrent sentencing, and the availability of good time credit and clemency. The court shall instruct the jury that, in order for the jury to recommend to the court that the death penalty or life imprisonment without parole should be imposed, the jury must find at least one (1) aggravating circumstance beyond a reasonable doubt as described in ~~subsection (k)~~ **subsection (l)** and shall provide a special verdict form for each aggravating circumstance alleged. The defendant may present any additional evidence relevant to:

(1) the aggravating circumstances alleged; or

(2) any of the mitigating circumstances listed in subsection (c).

(e) For a defendant sentenced after June 30, 2002, except as provided by IC 35-36-9, if the hearing is by jury, the jury shall recommend to the court whether the death penalty or life imprisonment without parole, or neither, should be imposed. The jury may recommend:

(1) the death penalty; or

(2) life imprisonment without parole;

only if it makes the findings described in subsection (l). If the jury reaches a sentencing recommendation, the court shall sentence the defendant accordingly. After a court pronounces sentence, a representative of the victim's family and friends may present a statement regarding the impact of the crime on family and friends. The impact statement may be submitted in writing or given orally by the representative. The statement shall be given in the presence of the defendant.

(f) If a jury is unable to agree on a sentence recommendation after reasonable deliberations, the court shall discharge the jury and proceed as if the hearing had been to the court alone.

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(g) If the hearing is to the court alone, except as provided by IC 35-36-9, the court shall:

(1) sentence the defendant to death; or

(2) impose a term of life imprisonment without parole;

only if it makes the findings described in subsection (l).

(h) If a court sentences a defendant to death, the court shall order the defendant's execution to be carried out not later than one (1) year and one (1) day after the date the defendant was convicted. The supreme court has exclusive jurisdiction to stay the execution of a death sentence. If the supreme court stays the execution of a death sentence, the supreme court shall order a new date for the defendant's execution.

(i) If a person sentenced to death by a court files a petition for post-conviction relief, the court, not later than ninety (90) days after the date the petition is filed, shall set a date to hold a hearing to consider the petition. If a court does not, within the ninety (90) day period, set the date to hold the hearing to consider the petition, the court's failure to set the hearing date is not a basis for additional post-conviction relief. The attorney general shall answer the petition for post-conviction relief on behalf of the state. At the request of the attorney general, a prosecuting attorney shall assist the attorney general. The court shall enter written findings of fact and conclusions of law concerning the petition not later than ninety (90) days after the date the hearing concludes. However, if the court determines that the petition is without merit, the court may dismiss the petition within ninety (90) days without conducting a hearing under this subsection.

(j) A death sentence is subject to automatic review by the supreme court. The review, which shall be heard under rules adopted by the supreme court, shall be given priority over all other cases. The supreme court's review must take into consideration all claims that the:

(1) conviction or sentence was in violation of the:

(A) Constitution of the State of Indiana; or

(B) Constitution of the United States;

(2) sentencing court was without jurisdiction to impose a sentence; and

(3) sentence:

(A) exceeds the maximum sentence authorized by law; or

(B) is otherwise erroneous.

If the supreme court cannot complete its review by the date set by the sentencing court for the defendant's execution under subsection (h), the supreme court shall stay the execution of the death sentence and set a new date to carry out the defendant's execution.

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(k) A person who has been sentenced to death and who has completed state post-conviction review proceedings may file a written petition with the supreme court seeking to present new evidence challenging the person's guilt or the appropriateness of the death sentence if the person serves notice on the attorney general. The supreme court shall determine, with or without a hearing, whether the person has presented previously undiscovered evidence that undermines confidence in the conviction or the death sentence. If necessary, the supreme court may remand the case to the trial court for an evidentiary hearing to consider the new evidence and its effect on the person's conviction and death sentence. The supreme court may not make a determination in the person's favor nor make a decision to remand the case to the trial court for an evidentiary hearing without first providing the attorney general with an opportunity to be heard on the matter.

(l) Before a sentence may be imposed under this section, the jury, in a proceeding under subsection (e), or the court, in a proceeding under subsection (g), must find that:

(1) the state has proved beyond a reasonable doubt that at least one (1) of the aggravating circumstances listed in subsection (b) exists; and

(2) any mitigating circumstances that exist are outweighed by the aggravating circumstance or circumstances.

SECTION 555. IC 35-50-2-10, AS AMENDED BY P.L.71-2005, SECTION 12, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.213-2005, SECTION 5, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. (a) As used in this section:

(1) "Drug" means a drug or a controlled substance (as defined in IC 35-48-1).

(2) "Substance offense" means a Class A misdemeanor or a felony in which the possession, use, abuse, delivery, transportation, or manufacture of alcohol or drugs is a material element of the crime. The term includes an offense under IC 9-30-5 and an offense under IC 9-11-2 (before its repeal).

(b) The state may seek to have a person sentenced as a habitual substance offender for any substance offense by alleging, on a page separate from the rest of the charging instrument, that the person has accumulated two (2) prior unrelated substance offense convictions.

(c) After a person has been convicted and sentenced for a substance offense committed after sentencing for a prior unrelated substance offense conviction, the person has accumulated two (2) prior unrelated substance offense convictions. However, a conviction does not count

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for purposes of this subsection if:

(1) it has been set aside; or

(2) it is a conviction for which the person has been pardoned.

(d) If the person was convicted of the substance offense in a jury trial, the jury shall reconvene for the sentencing hearing. If the trial was to the court, or the judgment was entered on a guilty plea, the court alone shall conduct the sentencing hearing, under IC 35-38-1-3.

(e) A person is a habitual substance offender if the jury (if the hearing is by jury) or the court (if the hearing is to the court alone) finds that the state has proved beyond a reasonable doubt that the person had accumulated two (2) prior unrelated substance offense convictions.

(f) The court shall sentence a person found to be a habitual substance offender to an additional fixed term of at least three (3) years but not more than eight (8) years imprisonment, to be added to the term of imprisonment imposed under IC 35-50-2 or IC 35-50-3. If the court finds that:

(1) three (3) years or more have elapsed since the date the person was discharged from probation, imprisonment, or parole (whichever is later) for the last prior unrelated substance offense conviction and the date the person committed the substance offense for which the person is being sentenced as a habitual substance offender; or

(2) all of the substance offenses for which the person has been convicted are substance offenses under IC 16-42-19 or IC 35-48-4, the person has not been convicted of a substance offense listed in section 2(b)(4) of this chapter, and the total number of convictions that the person has for:

(A) dealing in or selling a legend drug under IC 16-42-19-27;

(B) dealing in cocaine or a narcotic drug (IC 35-48-4-1);

(C) dealing in a schedule I, II, or III controlled substance (IC 35-48-4-2);

(D) dealing in a schedule IV controlled substance (IC 35-48-4-3); and

(E) dealing in a schedule V controlled substance (IC 35-48-4-4);

does not exceed one (1);

then the court may reduce the additional fixed term. However, the court may not reduce the additional fixed term to less than one (1) year.

(g) If a reduction of the additional year fixed term is authorized under subsection (f), the court may also consider the aggravating or circumstances in IC 35-38-1-7.1(a) ~~*IC 35-37-2.5-2*~~ and the mitigating

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circumstances in ~~IC 35-38-1-7.1~~ *IC 35-38-1-7.1(b)* to:

(1) decide the issue of granting a reduction; or

(2) determine the number of years, if any, to be subtracted under subsection (f).

SECTION 556. IC 36-1-10-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. (a) A lessor proposing to build, acquire, improve, remodel, or expand a structure for lease to a political subdivision or agency shall submit plans, specifications, and estimates to the leasing agent before executing a lease. The leasing agent shall submit the plans and specifications to the ~~state building commissioner~~ **division of fire and building safety or the building law compliance officer,** and other agencies designated by law.

(b) A lessor proposing to acquire a transportation project or system may enter into a lease without submitting plans, designs, or specifications to any political subdivision or agency. However, before the execution of the lease, the lessor must submit to the lessee or lessees an estimate of the cost and a description of the transportation project or system.

SECTION 557. IC 36-1-12-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. All plans and specifications for public buildings must be approved by the state department of health, ~~state fire marshal, state building commissioner,~~ **the division of fire and building safety,** and other state agencies designated by statute.

SECTION 558. IC 36-1-12-11 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 11. (a) The board must, within sixty (60) days after the completion of the public work project, file in the ~~office of the state building commissioner~~ **division of fire and building safety** a complete set of final record drawings for the public work project. However, this requirement does not apply to a public work project constructed at a cost less than one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000). In addition, the filing of the drawings is required only if the project involves a public building.

(b) The ~~state building commissioner~~ **division of fire and building safety** shall provide a depository for all final record drawings filed, and retain them for inspection and loan under regulated conditions. The fire prevention and building safety commission may designate the librarian of Indiana as the custodian of the final record drawings. The librarian shall preserve the final record drawings in the state archives as public documents.

SECTION 559. IC 36-1-12.5-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS

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FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. Energy conservation measures installed under a utility energy efficiency program or a guaranteed energy savings contract must be approved by the following:

(1) The state department of health, ~~office of the state fire marshal, office of the state building commissioner,~~ **division of fire and building safety,** and any other state agency designated by statute.

(2) An architect or engineer licensed under IC 25-4 or IC 25-31 if the energy conservation measures have a cost of more than fifty thousand dollars ($50,000).

SECTION 560. IC 36-1-12.5-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. The governing body shall:

(1) provide to the ~~department of commerce~~ **lieutenant governor** not more than sixty (60) days after the date of execution of the guaranteed energy savings contract:

(A) a copy of the executed guaranteed energy savings contract;

(B) the energy consumption costs before the date of execution of the guaranteed energy savings contract; and

(C) the documentation using industry engineering standards for:

(i) stipulated savings; and

(ii) related capital expenditures; and

(2) annually report to the ~~department of commerce,~~ **lieutenant governor,** in accordance with procedures established by the ~~department of commerce,~~ **lieutenant governor,** the savings resulting in the previous year from the guaranteed energy savings contract or utility energy efficiency program.

SECTION 561. IC 36-1-12.5-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. (a) An improvement that is not causally connected to an energy conservation measure may be included in a guaranteed energy savings contract if:

(1) the total value of the improvement does not exceed fifteen percent (15%) of the total value of the guaranteed energy savings contract; and

(2) either:

(A) the improvement is necessary to conform to a law, a rule, or an ordinance; or

(B) an analysis within the guaranteed energy savings contract demonstrates that:

(i) there is an economic advantage to the political subdivision in implementing an improvement as part of the

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guaranteed energy savings contract; and

(ii) the savings justification for the improvement is documented by industry engineering standards.

(b) The information required under subsection (a) must be reported to the ~~department of commerce.~~ **lieutenant governor.**

SECTION 562. IC 36-1-14-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 236, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) This section does not apply to donations of proceeds from riverboat gaming to a public school endowment corporation under ~~IC 20-26-5-19.~~ **IC 20-26-5-21.**

(b) As used in this section, "riverboat gaming revenue" means tax revenue received by a unit under IC 4-33-12-6, IC 4-33-13, or an agreement to share a city's or county's part of the tax revenue.

(c) Notwithstanding IC 8-1.5-2-6(d), a unit may donate the proceeds from the sale of a utility or facility or from a grant, a gift, a donation, an endowment, a bequest, a trust, or riverboat gaming revenue to a foundation under the following conditions:

(1) The foundation is a charitable nonprofit community foundation.

(2) The foundation retains all rights to the donation, including investment powers.

(3) The foundation agrees to do the following:

(A) Hold the donation as a permanent endowment.

(B) Distribute the income from the donation only to the unit as directed by resolution of the fiscal body of the unit.

(C) Return the donation to the general fund of the unit if the foundation:

(i) loses the foundation's status as a public charitable organization;

(ii) is liquidated; or

(iii) violates any condition of the endowment set by the fiscal body of the unit.

SECTION 563. IC 36-3-1-5.1, AS ADDED BY P.L.227-2005, SECTION 17, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5.1. (a) Except for those duties that are reserved by law to the county sheriff in this section, the city-county legislative body may by majority vote adopt an ordinance, approved by the mayor, to consolidate the police department of the consolidated city and the county sheriff's department.

(b) The city-county legislative body may not adopt an ordinance under this section unless it first:

(1) holds a public hearing on the proposed consolidation; and

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(2) determines that:
(A) reasonable and adequate police protection can be provided through the consolidation; and
(B) the consolidation is in the public interest.

(c) If an ordinance is adopted under this section, the consolidation shall take effect on the date specified in the ordinance.

(d) Notwithstanding any other law, an ordinance adopted under this section must provide that the county sheriff's department shall be responsible for all the following for the consolidated city and the county under the direction and control of the sheriff:
(1) County jail operations and facilities.
(2) Emergency communications.
(3) Security for buildings and property owned by:
(A) the consolidated city;
(B) the county; or
(C) both the consolidated city and county.
(4) Service of civil process and collection of taxes under tax warrants.
(5) Sex offender registration.

(e) The following apply if an ordinance is adopted under this section:
(1) The department of local government finance, on recommendation from the local government tax control board, shall adjust the maximum permissible ad valorem property tax levy of the consolidated city and the county for property taxes first due and payable in the year a consolidation takes effect under this section. When added together, the adjustments under this subdivision must total zero (0).
(2) The ordinance must specify which law enforcement officers of the police department and which law enforcement officers of the county sheriff's department shall be law enforcement officers of the consolidated law enforcement department.
(3) The ordinance may not prohibit the providing of law enforcement services for an excluded city under an interlocal agreement under IC 36-1-7.
(4) A member of the county police force who:
(A) was an employee beneficiary of the sheriff's pension trust before the consolidation of the law enforcement departments; and
(B) after the consolidation becomes a law enforcement officer of the consolidated law enforcement department;
remains an employee beneficiary of the sheriff's pension trust.

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The member retains, after the consolidation, credit in the sheriff's pension trust for service earned while a member of the county police force and continues to earn service credit in the sheriff's pension trust as a member of the consolidated law enforcement department for purposes of determining the member's benefits from the sheriff's pension trust.

(5) A member of the police department of the consolidated city who:

(A) was a member of the 1953 fund or the 1977 fund before the consolidation of the law enforcement departments; and

(B) after the consolidation becomes a law enforcement officer of the consolidated law enforcement department;

remains a member of the 1953 fund or the 1977 fund. The member retains, after the consolidation, credit in the 1953 fund or the 1977 fund for service earned while a member of the police department of the consolidated city and continues to earn service credit in the 1953 fund or the 1977 fund as a member of the consolidated law enforcement department for purposes of determining the member's benefits from the 1953 fund or the 1977 fund.

(6) The ordinance must designate the merit system that shall apply to the law enforcement officers of the consolidated law enforcement department.

(7) The ordinance must designate who shall serve as a coapplicant for a warrant or an extension of a warrant under IC 35-33.5-2.

(8) The consolidated city may levy property taxes within the consolidated city's maximum permissible ad valorem property tax levy limit to provide for the payment of the expenses for the operation of the consolidated law enforcement department. The police special service district established under ~~IC 36-3-1-6~~ **section 6 of this chapter** may levy property taxes to provide for the payment of expenses for the operation of the consolidated law enforcement department within the territory of the police special service district. Property taxes to fund the pension obligation under IC 36-8-7.5 may be levied only by the police special service district within the police special service district. The consolidated city may not levy property taxes to fund the pension obligation under IC 36-8-7.5. Property taxes to fund the pension obligation under IC 36-8-8 for members of the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund who were members of the police department of the consolidated city on the effective date of the consolidation may be levied only by the police special service

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district within the police special service district. Property taxes to fund the pension obligation under ~~IC 36-8-8~~ **IC 36-8-10** for members of the sheriff's pension trust and **under IC 36-8-8 for** members of the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund who were not members of the police department of the consolidated city on the effective date of the consolidation may be levied by the consolidated city within the consolidated city's maximum permissible ad valorem property tax levy. The assets of the consolidated city's 1953 fund and the assets of the sheriff's pension trust may not be pledged after the effective date of the consolidation as collateral for any loan.

(9) The executive of the consolidated city shall provide for an independent evaluation and performance audit, due before March 1 of the year following the adoption of the consolidation ordinance and for the following two (2) years, to determine:

(A) the amount of any cost savings, operational efficiencies, or improved service levels; and

(B) any tax shifts among taxpayers;

that result from the consolidation. The independent evaluation and performance audit must be provided to the legislative council in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6 and to the state budget committee.

SECTION 564. IC 36-3-1-6.1, AS ADDED BY P.L.227-2005, SECTION 18, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6.1. (a) This section applies only in a county containing a consolidated city. If the requirements of subsection (g) are satisfied, the fire departments of the following are consolidated into the fire department of a consolidated city (referred to as "the consolidated fire department"):

(1) A township for which the consolidation is approved by the township legislative body and trustee and the legislative body and mayor of the consolidated city.

(2) Any fire protection territory established under IC 36-8-19 that is located in a township described in subdivision (1).

(b) If the requirements of subsection (g) are satisfied, the consolidated fire department shall provide fire protection services within an entity described in subsection (a)(1) or (a)(2) in which the requirements of subsection (g) are satisfied on the date agreed to in the resolution of the township legislative body and the ordinance of the legislative body of the consolidated city.

(c) If the requirements of subsection (g) are satisfied and the fire department of an entity listed in subsection (a) is consolidated into the

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fire department of the consolidated city, all of the property, equipment, records, rights, and contracts of the department consolidated into the fire department of the consolidated city are:

(1) transferred to; or

(2) assumed by;

the consolidated city on the effective date of the consolidation. However, real property other than real property used as a fire station may be transferred only on terms mutually agreed to by the legislative body and mayor of the consolidated city and the trustee and legislative body of the township in which that real property is located.

(d) If the requirements of subsection (g) are satisfied and the fire department of an entity listed in subsection (a) is consolidated into the fire department of the consolidated city, the employees of the fire department consolidated into the fire department of the consolidated city cease employment with the department of the entity listed in subsection (a) and become employees of the consolidated fire department on the effective date of the consolidation. The consolidated city shall assume all agreements with labor organizations that:

(1) are in effect on the effective date of the consolidation; and

(2) apply to employees of the department consolidated into the fire department of the consolidated city who become employees of the consolidated fire department.

(e) If the requirements of subsection (g) are satisfied and the fire department of an entity listed in subsection (a) is consolidated into the fire department of a consolidated city, the indebtedness related to fire protection services incurred before the effective date of the consolidation by the entity or a building, holding, or leasing corporation on behalf of the entity whose fire department is consolidated into the consolidated fire department under subsection (a) shall remain the debt of the entity and does not become and may not be assumed by the consolidated city. Indebtedness related to fire protection services that is incurred by the consolidated city before the effective date of the consolidation shall remain the debt of the consolidated city and property taxes levied to pay the debt may only be levied by the fire special service district.

(f) If the requirements of subsection (g) are satisfied and the fire department of an entity listed in subsection (a) is consolidated into the fire department of a consolidated **city,** the merit board and the merit system of the fire department that is consolidated are dissolved on the effective date of the consolidation, and the duties of the merit ~~boards~~ **board** are transferred to and assumed by the merit board for the consolidated fire department on the effective date of the consolidation.

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(g) A township legislative body, after approval by the township trustee, may adopt a resolution approving the consolidation of the township's fire department with the fire department of the consolidated city. A township legislative body may adopt a resolution under this subsection only after the township legislative body has held a public hearing concerning the proposed consolidation. The township legislative body shall hold the hearing not earlier than thirty (30) days after the date the resolution is introduced. The hearing shall be conducted in accordance with IC 5-14-1.5 and notice of the hearing shall be published in accordance with IC 5-3-1. If the township legislative body has adopted a resolution under this subsection, the township legislative body shall, after approval from the township trustee, forward the resolution to the legislative body of the consolidated city. If such a resolution is forwarded to the legislative body of the consolidated city **and** the legislative body of the consolidated city ~~may adopt~~ **adopts** an ordinance, approved by the mayor of the consolidated city, approving the consolidation of the fire department of the township into the fire department of the consolidated city, ~~and~~ the requirements of this subsection are satisfied. The consolidation shall take effect on the date agreed to by the township legislative body in its resolution and by the legislative body of the consolidated city in its ordinance approving the consolidation.

(h) The following apply if the requirements of subsection (g) are satisfied:

(1) The consolidation of the fire department of that township is effective on the date agreed to by the township legislative body in the resolution and by the legislative body of the consolidated city in its ordinance approving the consolidation.

(2) Notwithstanding any other provision, a firefighter:

(A) who is a member of the 1977 fund before the effective date of a consolidation under this section; and

(B) who, after the consolidation, becomes an employee of the fire department of a consolidated city under this section;

remains a member of the 1977 fund without being required to meet the requirements under IC 36-8-8-19 and IC 36-8-8-21. The firefighter shall receive credit for any service as a member of the 1977 fund before the consolidation to determine the firefighter's eligibility for benefits under IC 36-8-8.

(3) Notwithstanding any other provision, a firefighter:

(A) who is a member of the 1937 fund before the effective date of a consolidation under this section; and

(B) who, after the consolidation, becomes an employee of the

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fire department of a consolidated city under this section;

remains a member of the 1937 fund. The firefighter shall receive credit for any service as a member of the 1937 fund before the consolidation to determine the firefighter's eligibility for benefits under IC 36-8-7.

(4) For property taxes first due and payable in the year in which the consolidation is effective, the maximum permissible ad valorem property tax levy under IC 6-1.1-18.5:

(A) is increased for the consolidated city by an amount equal to the maximum permissible ad valorem property tax levy in the year preceding the year in which the consolidation is effective for fire protection and related services by the township whose fire department is consolidated into the fire department of the consolidated city under this section; and

(B) is reduced for the township whose fire department is consolidated into the fire department of the consolidated city under this section by the amount equal to the maximum permissible ad valorem property tax levy in the year preceding the year in which the consolidation is effective for fire protection and related services for the township.

(5) The amount levied in the year preceding the year in which the consolidation is effective by the township whose fire department is consolidated into the fire department of the consolidated city for the township's cumulative building and equipment fund for fire protection and related services is transferred on the effective date of the consolidation to the consolidated city's cumulative building and equipment fund for fire protection and related services, which is hereby established. The consolidated city is exempted from the requirements of IC 36-8-14 and IC 6-1.1-41 regarding establishment of the cumulative building and equipment fund for fire protection and related services.

(6) The local boards for the 1937 firefighters' pension fund and the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund of the township are dissolved, and their services are terminated not later than the effective date of the consolidation. The duties performed by the local boards under IC 36-8-7 and IC 36-8-8, respectively, are assumed by the consolidated city's local board for the 1937 firefighters' pension fund and local board for the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund, respectively. Notwithstanding any other provision, the legislative body of the consolidated city may adopt an ordinance to adjust the membership of the consolidated city's

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local board to reflect the consolidation.

(7) The consolidated city may levy property taxes within the consolidated city's maximum permissible ad valorem property tax levy limit to provide for the payment of the expenses for the operation of the consolidated fire department. However, property taxes to fund the pension obligation under IC 36-8-7 for members of the 1937 firefighters fund who were employees of the consolidated city at the time of the consolidation may be levied only by the fire special service district within the fire special service district. The fire special service district established under IC 36-3-1-6 may levy property taxes to provide for the payment of expenses for the operation of the consolidated fire department within the territory of the ~~police~~ **fire** special service district. Property taxes to fund the pension obligation under IC 36-8-8 for members of the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund who were members of the fire department of the consolidated city on the effective date of the consolidation may be levied only by the fire special service district within the fire special service district. Property taxes to fund the pension obligation for members of the 1937 firefighters fund who were not members of the fire department of the consolidated city on the effective date of the consolidation and members of the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund who were not members of the fire department of the consolidated city on the effective date of the consolidation may be levied by the consolidated city within the city's maximum permissible ad valorem property tax levy. However, these taxes may be levied only within the fire special service district and any townships that have consolidated fire departments under this section.

(8) The executive of the consolidated city shall provide for an independent evaluation and performance audit, due before March 1 of the year in which the consolidation is effective and ~~for~~ **before March 1 in each of** the following two (2) years, to determine:

(A) the amount of any cost savings, operational efficiencies, or improved service levels; and

(B) any tax shifts among taxpayers;

that result from the consolidation. The independent evaluation and performance audit must be provided to the legislative council in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6 and to the state budget committee.

SECTION 565. IC 36-3-6-9, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 237, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.227-2005, SECTION

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35, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. (a) The city-county legislative body ~~may~~ *shall* review ~~and modify~~ the *proposed* operating and maintenance budgets and ~~the~~ tax levies ~~of~~ *and adopt final operating and maintenance budgets and tax levies for each of* the following entities in the county:

(1) An airport authority operating under IC 8-22-3.

~~(2) A health and hospital corporation operating under IC 16-22-8.~~

~~(3)~~ *(2)* A public library operating under ~~IC 20-14.~~ *IC 36-12.*

~~(4)~~ *(3)* A capital improvement board of managers operating under IC 36-10.

~~(5)~~ *(4)* A public transportation corporation operating under IC 36-9-4.

Except as provided in subsection (c), the city-county legislative body may reduce or modify but not increase a proposed operating and maintenance budget or tax levy under this section.

(b) The board of each entity listed in subsection (a) shall, after adoption of its *proposed* budget and tax levies, submit them, along with detailed accounts, to the city clerk before the first day of September of each year.

(c) The city-county legislative body may review the issuance of bonds of an entity listed in subsection (a), but approval of the city-county legislative body is not required for the issuance of bonds. *The city-county legislative body may not reduce or modify a budget or tax levy of an entity listed in subsection (a) in a manner that would:*

(1) limit or restrict the rights vested in the entity to fulfill the terms of any agreement made with the holders of the entity's bonds; or

(2) in any way impair the rights or remedies of the holders of the entity's bonds.

(d) If the assessed valuation of a taxing unit is entirely contained within an excluded city or town (as described in IC 36-3-1-7) that is located in a county having a consolidated city, the governing body of the taxing unit shall submit its proposed operating and maintenance budget and tax levies to the city or town fiscal body for approval.

(e) The city-county legislative body may review and modify the operating and maintenance budgets and the tax levies of a health and hospital corporation operating under IC 16-22-8. If the total of all proposed property tax levies for the health and hospital corporation for the ensuing calendar year is more than five percent (5%) greater than the total of all property tax levies for the health and hospital

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corporation for the current calendar year, the city-county legislative body shall review the proposed budget and the tax levies of the health and hospital corporation and shall adopt the final budget and tax levies for the health and hospital corporation. Except as provided in subsection (c), the city-county legislative body may reduce or modify but not increase the health and hospital corporation's proposed operating and maintenance budget or tax levy under this section. The board of the health and hospital corporation shall, after adoption of its proposed budget and tax levies, submit them, along with detailed accounts, to the city clerk before the first day of September of each year.

SECTION 566. IC 36-6-4-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.73-2005, SECTION 173, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.227-2005, SECTION 36, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. The executive shall do the following:

(1) Keep a written record of official proceedings.

(2) Manage all township property interests.

(3) Keep township records open for public inspection.

(4) Attend all meetings of the township legislative body.

(5) Receive and pay out township funds.

(6) Examine and settle all accounts and demands chargeable against the township.

(7) Administer ~~*poor relief*~~ *township assistance* under IC 12-20 and IC 12-30-4.

(8) Perform the duties of fence viewer under IC 32-26.

(9) Act as township assessor when required by IC 36-6-5.

(10) Provide and maintain cemeteries under IC 23-14.

(11) Provide fire protection under IC 36-8, *except in a township that:*

(A) is located in a county having a consolidated city; and

(B) consolidated the township's fire department under IC 36-3-1-6.1.

(12) File an annual personnel report under IC 5-11-13.

(13) Provide and maintain township parks and community centers under IC 36-10.

(14) Destroy detrimental plants, noxious weeds, and rank vegetation under IC 15-3-4.

(15) Provide insulin to the poor under IC 12-20-16.

(16) Perform other duties prescribed by statute.

SECTION 567. IC 36-7-12-36 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 36. In order to:

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(1) disseminate information describing the benefits of all economic development commissions;

(2) provide for efficient operations of all commissions; and

(3) allow the ~~department of commerce,~~ **Indiana economic development corporation,** on a recommendation basis, to assist all commissions in their endeavors;

each commission shall file a report, within thirty (30) days after its initial meeting and on each subsequent January 31, with the fiscal body that it serves and with the director of the ~~department of commerce.~~ **Indiana economic development corporation.** These reports must be in writing on a form prescribed by the ~~department of commerce~~ **Indiana economic development corporation** and must contain all information required in that form.

SECTION 568. IC 36-7-14-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.190-2005, SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) This chapter applies to all units except:

(1) counties having a consolidated city, and units in those counties, except those units described in subsection (b); and

(2) townships.

(b) This chapter applies to an excluded city (as defined in IC 36-3-1-7) that adopts an ordinance electing to be governed by this chapter and establishes a redevelopment commission under section 3 of this chapter. Upon the adoption of an ordinance under this subsection:

~~(1) a blighted area;~~

(1) an area needing redevelopment;

(2) an economic development area; or

(3) an allocation area previously established under IC 36-7-15.1-37 through IC 36-7-15.1-58;

continues in full force and effect as if the area had been created under this chapter.

(c) ~~A:~~ **An:**

~~(1) a blighted area;~~

(1) area needing redevelopment;

(2) ~~an~~ economic development area; or

(3) ~~an~~ allocation area previously established under IC 36-7-15.1-37 through IC 36-7-15.1-58;

described in subsection (b) is subject to the jurisdiction of the redevelopment commission established under section 3 of this chapter and is not subject to the jurisdiction of the commission (as defined in IC 36-7-15.1-37).

SECTION 569. IC 36-7-14-16, AS AMENDED BY P.L.185-2005,

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SECTION 13, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.190-2005, SECTION 9, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 16. (a) *This subsection does not apply to the redevelopment commission of an excluded city described in section 1(b) of this chapter.* After adoption of a resolution under section 15 of this chapter, the redevelopment commission shall submit the resolution and supporting data to the plan commission of the unit, or if there is no plan commission, then to the body charged with the duty of developing a general plan for the unit, if there is such a body. The plan commission may determine whether the resolution and the redevelopment plan conform to the plan of development for the unit and approve or disapprove the resolution and plan proposed. The redevelopment commission may amend or modify the resolution and proposed plan in order to conform them to the requirements of the plan commission. The plan commission shall issue its written order approving or disapproving the resolution and redevelopment plan, and may, with the consent of the redevelopment commission, rescind or modify that order.

(b) *This subsection does not apply to the redevelopment commission of an excluded city described in section 1(b) of this chapter.* The redevelopment commission may not proceed with the acquisition of a ~~*blighted*~~ *redevelopment project* area until the approving order of the plan commission is issued and approved by the municipal legislative body or county executive.

(c) In determining the location and extent of a ~~*blighted*~~ *redevelopment project* area proposed to be acquired for redevelopment, the redevelopment commission and the plan commission of the unit shall give consideration to transitional and permanent provisions for adequate housing for the residents of the area who will be displaced by the redevelopment project.

(d) A redevelopment commission in an excluded city that is exempt from the requirements of subsections (a) and (b) shall submit the resolution and supporting data to the municipal legislative body of the excluded city. The municipal legislative body may:

(1) determine if the resolution and the redevelopment plan conform to the plan of development for the unit; and

(2) approve or disapprove the resolution and plan proposed.

SECTION 570. IC 36-7-14.5-11, AS AMENDED BY P.L.190-2005, SECTION 10, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 11. ~~(a)~~ The authority is organized for the following purposes:

(1) Financing, constructing, and leasing local public

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improvements to the commission.

(2) Financing and constructing additional improvements to local public improvements owned by the authority and leasing them to the commission.

(3) Acquiring all or a portion of one (1) or more local public improvements from the commission by purchase or lease and leasing these local public improvements back to the commission, with any additional improvements that may be made to them.

(4) Acquiring all or a portion of one (1) or more local public improvements from the commission by purchase or lease to fund or refund indebtedness incurred on account of those local public improvements to enable the commission to make a savings in debt services obligations or lease rental obligations or to obtain relief from covenants that the commission considers to be unduly burdensome.

(5) In a county having a United States government military base that is scheduled for closing or is completely or partially inactive or closed and if specified in the ordinance creating the authority or in another ordinance adopted by the executive body of the unit, an authority may exercise any of the powers of a redevelopment commission established under IC 36-7-14, including the establishment, in accordance with IC 36-7-14, of one (1) or more economic development areas in the county in addition to an economic development area established under section 12.5 of this chapter. However, an economic development area that includes any part of a military base described in section 12.5(a) of this chapter is subject to the requirements of section 12.5 of this chapter. An action taken by an authority under this subdivision shall be treated as if the action were taken under the law granting the power to the redevelopment commission.

SECTION 571. IC 36-7-14.5-12.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.185-2005, SECTION 25, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.190-2005, SECTION 12, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12.5. (a) This section applies only to an authority in a county having a United States government military base that is scheduled for closing or is completely or partially inactive or closed.

(b) In order to accomplish the purposes set forth in ~~section 11(b)~~ **section 11** of this chapter, an authority may create an economic development area:

(1) by following the procedures set forth in IC 36-7-14-41 for the establishment of an economic development area by a

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redevelopment commission; and

(2) with the same effect as if the economic development area was created by a redevelopment commission.

~~*However, an authority may not include in an economic development area created under this section any area that was declared a blighted redevelopment project area, an urban renewal area, or an economic development area under IC 36-7-14.*~~ *The area established under this section shall be established only in the area where a United States government military base that is scheduled for closing or is completely or partially inactive or closed is or was located.*

(c) In order to accomplish the purposes set forth in ~~section 11(b)~~ **section 11** of this chapter, an authority may do the following in a manner that serves an economic development area created under this section:

(1) Acquire by purchase, exchange, gift, grant, condemnation, or lease, or any combination of methods, any personal property or interest in real property needed for the redevelopment of economic development areas located within the corporate boundaries of the unit.

(2) Hold, use, sell (by conveyance by deed, land sale contract, or other instrument), exchange, lease, rent, or otherwise dispose of property acquired for use in the redevelopment of economic development areas on the terms and conditions that the authority considers best for the unit and the unit's inhabitants.

(3) Sell, lease, or grant interests in all or part of the real property acquired for redevelopment purposes to any other department of the unit or to any other governmental agency for public ways, levees, sewerage, parks, playgrounds, schools, and other public purposes on any terms that may be agreed on.

(4) Clear real property acquired for redevelopment purposes.

(5) Repair and maintain structures acquired for redevelopment purposes.

(6) Remodel, rebuild, enlarge, or make major structural improvements on structures acquired for redevelopment purposes.

(7) Survey or examine any land to determine whether the land should be included within an economic development area to be acquired for redevelopment purposes and to determine the value of that land.

(8) Appear before any other department or agency of the unit, or before any other governmental agency in respect to any matter affecting:

(A) real property acquired or being acquired for

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redevelopment purposes; or

(B) any economic development area within the jurisdiction of the authority.

(9) Institute or defend in the name of the unit any civil action, but all actions against the authority must be brought in the circuit or superior court of the county where the authority is located.

(10) Use any legal or equitable remedy that is necessary or considered proper to protect and enforce the rights of and perform the duties of the authority.

(11) Exercise the power of eminent domain in the name of and within the corporate boundaries of the unit subject to the same conditions and procedures that apply to the exercise of the power of eminent domain by a redevelopment commission under IC 36-7-14.

(12) Appoint an executive director, appraisers, real estate experts, engineers, architects, surveyors, and attorneys.

(13) Appoint clerks, guards, laborers, and other employees the authority considers advisable, except that those appointments must be made in accordance with the merit system of the unit if such a system exists.

(14) Prescribe the duties and regulate the compensation of employees of the authority.

(15) Provide a pension and retirement system for employees of the authority by using the public employees' retirement fund or a retirement plan approved by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

(16) Discharge and appoint successors to employees of the authority subject to subdivision (13).

(17) Rent offices for use of the department or authority, or accept the use of offices furnished by the unit.

(18) Equip the offices of the authority with the necessary furniture, furnishings, equipment, records, and supplies.

(19) Design, order, contract for, and construct, reconstruct, improve, or renovate the following:

(A) Any local public improvement or structure that is necessary for redevelopment purposes or economic development within the corporate boundaries of the unit.

(B) Any structure that enhances development or economic development.

(20) Contract for the construction, extension, or improvement of pedestrian skyways (as defined in IC 36-7-14-12.2(c)).

(21) Accept loans, grants, and other forms of financial assistance

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from, or contract with, the federal government, the state government, a municipal corporation, a special taxing district, a foundation, or any other source.

(22) Make and enter into all contracts and agreements necessary or incidental to the performance of the duties of the authority and the execution of the powers of the authority under this chapter.

(23) Take any action necessary to implement the purpose of the authority.

(24) Provide financial assistance, in the manner that best serves the purposes set forth in ~~section 11(b)~~ **section 11** of this chapter, including grants and loans, to enable private enterprise to develop, redevelop, and reuse military base property or otherwise enable private enterprise to provide social and economic benefits to the citizens of the unit.

(d) An authority may designate all or a portion of an economic development area created under this section as an allocation area by following the procedures set forth in IC 36-7-14-39 for the establishment of an allocation area by a redevelopment commission. The allocation provision may modify the definition of "property taxes" under IC 36-7-14-39(a) to include taxes imposed under IC 6-1.1 on the depreciable personal property located and taxable on the site of operations of designated taxpayers in accordance with the procedures applicable to a commission under IC 36-7-14-39.3. IC 36-7-14-39.3 applies to such a modification. An allocation area established by an authority under this section is a special taxing district authorized by the general assembly to enable the unit to provide special benefits to taxpayers in the allocation area by promoting economic development that is of public use and benefit. For allocation areas established for an economic development area created under this section after June 30, 1997, and to the expanded portion of an allocation area for an economic development area that was established before June 30, 1997, and that is expanded under this section after June 30, 1997, the net assessed value of property that is assessed as residential property under the rules of the department of local government finance, as finally determined for any assessment date, must be allocated. All of the provisions of IC 36-7-14-39, IC 36-7-14-39.1, and IC 36-7-14-39.5 apply to an allocation area created under this section, except that the authority shall be vested with the rights and duties of a commission as referenced in those sections, and except that, notwithstanding IC 36-7-14-39(b)(2), property tax proceeds paid into the allocation fund may be used by the authority only to do one (1) or more of the following:

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(1) Pay the principal of and interest and redemption premium on any obligations incurred by the special taxing district or any other entity for the purpose of financing or refinancing military base reuse activities in or serving or ~~*benefitting*~~ *benefiting* that allocation area.

(2) Establish, augment, or restore the debt service reserve for obligations payable solely or in part from allocated tax proceeds in that allocation area or from other revenues of the authority (including lease rental revenues).

(3) Make payments on leases payable solely or in part from allocated tax proceeds in that allocation area.

(4) Reimburse any other governmental body for expenditures made by it for local public improvements or structures in or serving or ~~*benefitting*~~ *benefiting* that allocation area.

(5) Pay all or a portion of a property tax replacement credit to taxpayers in an allocation area as determined by the authority. This credit equals the amount determined under the following STEPS for each taxpayer in a taxing district (as defined in IC 6-1.1-1-20) that contains all or part of the allocation area:

STEP ONE: Determine that part of the sum of the amounts under IC 6-1.1-21-2(g)(1)(A), IC 6-1.1-21-2(g)(2), IC 6-1.1-21-2(g)(3), IC 6-1.1-21-2(g)(4), and IC 6-1.1-21-2(g)(5) that is attributable to the taxing district.

STEP TWO: Divide:

(A) that part of each county's eligible property tax replacement amount (as defined in IC 6-1.1-21-2) for that year as determined under IC 6-1.1-21-4 that is attributable to the taxing district; by

(B) the STEP ONE sum.

STEP THREE: Multiply:

(A) the STEP TWO quotient; by

(B) the total amount of the taxpayer's taxes (as defined in IC 6-1.1-21-2) levied in the taxing district that have been allocated during that year to an allocation fund under this section.

If not all the taxpayers in an allocation area receive the credit in full, each taxpayer in the allocation area is entitled to receive the same proportion of the credit. A taxpayer may not receive a credit under this section and a credit under IC 36-7-14-39.5 in the same year.

(6) Pay expenses incurred by the authority for local public improvements or structures that are in the allocation area or

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serving or benefiting the allocation area.

(7) Reimburse public and private entities for expenses incurred in training employees of industrial facilities that are located:

(A) in the allocation area; and

(B) on a parcel of real property that has been classified as industrial property under the rules of the department of local government finance.

However, the total amount of money spent for this purpose in any year may not exceed the total amount of money in the allocation fund that is attributable to property taxes paid by the industrial facilities described in clause (B). The reimbursements under this subdivision must be made within three (3) years after the date on which the investments that are the basis for the increment financing are made. The allocation fund may not be used for operating expenses of the authority.

(e) In addition to other methods of raising money for property acquisition, redevelopment, or economic development activities in or directly serving or benefitting an economic development area created by an authority under this section, and in anticipation of the taxes allocated under subsection (d), other revenues of the authority, or any combination of these sources, the authority may, by resolution, issue the bonds of the special taxing district in the name of the unit. Bonds issued under this section may be issued in any amount without limitation. The following apply if such a resolution is adopted:

(1) The authority shall certify a copy of the resolution authorizing the bonds to the municipal or county fiscal officer, who shall then prepare the bonds. The seal of the unit must be impressed on the bonds, or a facsimile of the seal must be printed on the bonds.

(2) The bonds must be executed by the appropriate officer of the unit and attested by the unit's fiscal officer.

(3) The bonds are exempt from taxation for all purposes.

(4) Bonds issued under this section may be sold at public sale in accordance with IC 5-1-11 or at a negotiated sale.

(5) The bonds are not a corporate obligation of the unit but are an indebtedness of the taxing district. The bonds and interest are payable, as set forth in the bond resolution of the authority:

(A) from the tax proceeds allocated under subsection (d);

(B) from other revenues available to the authority; or

(C) from a combination of the methods stated in clauses (A) and (B).

(6) Proceeds from the sale of bonds may be used to pay the cost of interest on the bonds for a period not to exceed five (5) years

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from the date of issuance.

(7) Laws relating to the filing of petitions requesting the issuance of bonds and the right of taxpayers to remonstrate against the issuance of bonds do not apply to bonds issued under this section.

(8) If a debt service reserve is created from the proceeds of bonds, the debt service reserve may be used to pay principal and interest on the bonds as provided in the bond resolution.

(9) If bonds are issued under this chapter that are payable solely or in part from revenues to the authority from a project or projects, the authority may adopt a resolution or trust indenture or enter into covenants as is customary in the issuance of revenue bonds. The resolution or trust indenture may pledge or assign the revenues from the project or projects. The resolution or trust indenture may also contain any provisions for protecting and enforcing the rights and remedies of the bond owners as may be reasonable and proper and not in violation of law, including covenants setting forth the duties of the authority. The authority may establish fees and charges for the use of any project and covenant with the owners of any bonds to set those fees and charges at a rate sufficient to protect the interest of the owners of the bonds. Any revenue bonds issued by the authority that are payable solely from revenues of the authority shall contain a statement to that effect in the form of bond.

(f) Notwithstanding section 8(a) of this chapter, an ordinance adopted under ~~section 11(b)~~ **section 11** of this chapter may provide, or be amended to provide, that the board of directors of the authority shall be composed of not fewer than three (3) nor more than ~~*seven (7)*~~ *eleven (11)* members, who must be residents of the unit appointed by the executive of the unit.

(g) The acquisition of real and personal property by an authority under this section is not subject to the provisions of IC 5-22, IC 36-1-10.5, IC 36-7-14-19, or any other statutes governing the purchase of property by public bodies or their agencies.

(h) An authority may negotiate for the sale, lease, or other disposition of real and personal property without complying with the provisions of IC 5-22-22, IC 36-1-11, IC 36-7-14-22, or any other statute governing the disposition of public property.

(i) Notwithstanding any other law, utility services provided within an economic development area established under this section are subject to regulation by the appropriate regulatory agencies unless the utility service is provided by a utility that provides utility service solely within the geographic boundaries of an existing or a closed military

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installation, in which case the utility service is not subject to regulation for purposes of rate making, regulation, service delivery, or issuance of bonds or other forms of indebtedness. However, this exemption from regulation does not apply to utility service if the service is generated, treated, or produced outside the boundaries of the existing or closed military installation.

SECTION 572. IC 36-7-15.1-37, AS AMENDED BY P.L.190-2005, SECTION 13, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 37. (a) As used in this section and sections 38 through 58 of this chapter:

"City" or "excluded city" refers to an excluded city (as defined in IC 36-3-1-7) but does not refer to an excluded city described in IC 36-7-14-1(b).

"Commission" refers to the metropolitan development commission acting as the redevelopment commission of an excluded city.

(b) Sections 38 ~~though~~ **through** 58 of this chapter do not apply to an excluded city described in IC 36-7-14-1(b).

SECTION 573. IC 36-7-18-38 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 38. (a) A housing authority shall file with the state department of health a description of each proposed project, including plans and layout. The state department shall, within thirty (30) days, transmit its approval or disapproval to the authority.

(b) A housing authority shall file all plans for new construction with the ~~state building commissioner~~ **division of fire and building safety** in the manner prescribed by IC 22-15-3.

SECTION 574. IC 36-7-31.3-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. (a) A designating body may designate as part of a professional sports and convention development area any facility that is:

(1) owned by the city, the county, a school corporation, or a board under IC 36-9-13, IC 36-10-8, IC 36-10-10, or IC 36-10-11, and used by a professional sports franchise for practice or competitive sporting events; or

(2) owned by the city, the county, or a board under IC 36-9-13, IC 36-10-8, IC 36-10-10, or IC 36-10-11, and used as one (1) of the following:

(A) A facility used principally for convention or tourism related events serving national or regional markets.

(B) An airport.

(C) A museum.

(D) A zoo.

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(E) A facility used for public attractions of national significance.

(F) A performing arts venue.

(G) A county courthouse registered on the National Register of Historic Places.

A facility may not include a private golf course or related improvements. The tax area may include only facilities described in this section and any parcel of land on which a facility is located. An area may contain noncontiguous tracts of land within the city, county, or school corporation.

(b) Except for a tax area that is located in a city having a population of:

(1) more than one hundred fifty thousand (150,000) but less than five hundred thousand (500,000); or

(2) more than ninety thousand (90,000) but less than one hundred five thousand (105,000);

a tax area must include at least one (1) facility described in subsection (a)(1).

(c) ~~Except as provided in subsection (d),~~ A tax area may contain other facilities not owned by the designating body if:

(1) the facility is owned by a city, the county, a school corporation, or a board established under IC 36-9-13, IC 36-10-8, IC 36-10-10, or IC 36-10-11; and

(2) an agreement exists between the designating body and the owner of the facility specifying the distribution and uses of the covered taxes to be allocated under this chapter.

SECTION 575. IC 36-7-32-23, AS AMENDED BY P.L.203-2005, SECTION 13, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 23. (a) Each redevelopment commission that establishes a certified technology park under this chapter shall establish a certified technology park fund to receive:

(1) property tax proceeds allocated under section 17 of this chapter; and

(2) money distributed to the redevelopment commission under section 22 of this chapter.

(b) Money deposited in the certified technology park fund may be used by the redevelopment commission only for one (1) or more of the following purposes:

(1) Acquisition, improvement, preparation, demolition, disposal, construction, reconstruction, remediation, rehabilitation, restoration, preservation, maintenance, repair, furnishing, and equipping of public facilities.

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(2) Operation of public facilities described in section 9(2) of this chapter.

(3) Payment of the principal of and interest on any obligations that are payable solely or in part from money deposited in the fund and that are incurred by the redevelopment commission for the purpose of financing or refinancing the development of public facilities in the certified technology park.

(4) Establishment, augmentation, or restoration of the debt service reserve for obligations described in subdivision (3).

(5) Payment of the principal of and interest on bonds issued by the unit to pay for public facilities in or serving the certified technology park.

(6) Payment of premiums on the redemption before maturity of bonds described in subdivision (3).

(7) Payment of amounts due under leases payable from money deposited in the fund.

(8) Reimbursement to the unit for expenditures made by it for public facilities in or serving the certified technology park.

(9) Payment of expenses incurred by the redevelopment commission for public facilities that are in the certified technology park or serving the certified technology park.

(10) For any purpose authorized by an agreement between redevelopment commissions entered into under section 26 of this ~~section.~~ **chapter.**

(c) The certified technology park fund may not be used for operating expenses of the redevelopment commission.

SECTION 576. IC 36-7-34-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.203-2005, SECTION 16, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. The ~~department of commerce~~ **Indiana economic development corporation** shall do the following:

(1) Coordinate area development activities.

(2) Serve as a catalyst for area development.

(3) Promote each area to outside groups and individuals.

(4) Establish a formal line of communication with businesses in each area.

(5) Act as a liaison between businesses and local governments for any development activity that may affect each area.

(6) Act as a liaison between each area and residents of nearby communities.

SECTION 577. IC 36-7.5-4-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.214-2005, SECTION 73, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. (a) Subject to subsection (h), the

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development authority may issue bonds for the purpose of obtaining money to pay the cost of:

(1) acquiring real or personal property, including existing capital improvements;

(2) acquiring, constructing, improving, reconstructing, or renovating one (1) or more projects; or

(3) funding or refunding bonds issued under this chapter or IC 8-5-15, IC 8-22-3, IC 36-7-13.5, or IC 36-9-3 or prior law.

(b) The bonds are payable solely from:

(1) the lease rentals from the lease of the projects for which the bonds were issued, insurance proceeds, and any other funds pledged or available; and

(2) except as otherwise provided by law, revenue received by the development authority and amounts deposited in the development authority fund.

(c) The bonds shall be authorized by a resolution of the development board.

(d) The terms and form of the bonds shall either be set out in the resolution or in a form of trust indenture approved by the resolution.

(e) The bonds shall mature within forty (40) years.

(f) The board shall sell the bonds only to the Indiana ~~development~~ finance authority established by IC 4-4-11-4 upon the terms determined by the development board and the Indiana ~~development~~ finance authority.

(g) All money received from any bonds issued under this chapter shall be applied solely to the payment of the cost of acquiring, constructing, improving, reconstructing, or renovating one (1) or more projects, or the cost of refunding or refinancing outstanding bonds, for which the bonds are issued. The cost may include:

(1) planning and development of equipment or a facility and all buildings, facilities, structures, equipment, and improvements related to the facility;

(2) acquisition of a site and clearing and preparing the site for construction;

(3) equipment, facilities, structures, and improvements that are necessary or desirable to make the project suitable for use and operations;

(4) architectural, engineering, consultant, and attorney's fees;

(5) incidental expenses in connection with the issuance and sale of bonds;

(6) reserves for principal and interest;

(7) interest during construction;

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(8) financial advisory fees;
(9) insurance during construction;
(10) municipal bond insurance, debt service reserve insurance, letters of credit, or other credit enhancement; and
(11) in the case of refunding or refinancing, payment of the principal of, redemption premiums (if any) for, and interest on, the bonds being refunded or refinanced.

(h) The development authority may not issue bonds under this article unless the development authority first finds that each contract for the construction of a facility and all buildings, facilities, structures, and improvements related to that facility to be financed in whole or in part through the issuance of the bonds requires payment of the common construction wage required by IC 5-16-7.

SECTION 578. IC 36-8-5-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.227-2005, SECTION 38, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) This chapter applies to the following:

(1) All municipalities.
(2) A county having a consolidated city that establishes a consolidated law enforcement department ~~established~~ under IC 36-3-1-5.1.

(b) Section 2 of this chapter applies to any other political subdivision that employs full-time, fully paid firefighters.

SECTION 579. IC 36-8-8-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.227-2005, SECTION 48, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. (a) Except as provided in subsections (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (k), (l), **and** (m): ~~and (m):~~

(1) a police officer; or
(2) a firefighter;

who is less than thirty-six (36) years of age and who passes the baseline statewide physical and mental examinations required under section 19 of this chapter shall be a member of the 1977 fund and is not a member of the 1925 fund, the 1937 fund, or the 1953 fund.

(b) A police officer or firefighter with service before May 1, 1977, who is hired or rehired after April 30, 1977, may receive credit under this chapter for service as a police officer or firefighter prior to entry into the 1977 fund if the employer who rehires the police officer or firefighter chooses to contribute to the 1977 fund the amount necessary to amortize the police officer's or firefighter's prior service liability over a period of not more than forty (40) years, the amount and the period to be determined by the PERF board. If the employer chooses to make the contributions, the police officer or firefighter is entitled to receive credit for the police officer's or firefighter's prior years of service

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without making contributions to the 1977 fund for that prior service. In no event may a police officer or firefighter receive credit for prior years of service if the police officer or firefighter is receiving a benefit or is entitled to receive a benefit in the future from any other public pension plan with respect to the prior years of service.

(c) Except as provided in section 18 of this chapter, a police officer or firefighter is entitled to credit for all years of service after April 30, 1977, with the police or fire department of an employer covered by this chapter.

(d) A police officer or firefighter with twenty (20) years of service does not become a member of the 1977 fund and is not covered by this chapter, if the police officer or firefighter:

(1) was hired before May 1, 1977;

(2) did not convert under IC 19-1-17.8-7 or IC 19-1-36.5-7 (both of which were repealed September 1, 1981); and

(3) is rehired after April 30, 1977, by the same employer.

(e) A police officer or firefighter does not become a member of the 1977 fund and is not covered by this chapter if the police officer or firefighter:

(1) was hired before May 1, 1977;

(2) did not convert under IC 19-1-17.8-7 or IC 19-1-36.5-7 (both of which were repealed September 1, 1981);

(3) was rehired after April 30, 1977, but before February 1, 1979; and

(4) was made, before February 1, 1979, a member of a 1925, 1937, or 1953 fund.

(f) A police officer or firefighter does not become a member of the 1977 fund and is not covered by this chapter if the police officer or firefighter:

(1) was hired by the police or fire department of a unit before May 1, 1977;

(2) did not convert under IC 19-1-17.8-7 or IC 19-1-36.5-7 (both of which were repealed September 1, 1981);

(3) is rehired by the police or fire department of another unit after December 31, 1981; and

(4) is made, by the fiscal body of the other unit after December 31, 1981, a member of a 1925, 1937, or 1953 fund of the other unit.

If the police officer or firefighter is made a member of a 1925, 1937, or 1953 fund, the police officer or firefighter is entitled to receive credit for all the police officer's or firefighter's years of service, including years before January 1, 1982.

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(g) As used in this subsection, "emergency medical services" and "emergency medical technician" have the meanings set forth in IC 16-18-2-110 and IC 16-18-2-112. A firefighter who:

(1) is employed by a unit that is participating in the 1977 fund;

(2) was employed as an emergency medical technician by a political subdivision wholly or partially within the department's jurisdiction;

(3) was a member of the public employees' retirement fund during the employment described in subdivision (2); and

(4) ceased employment with the political subdivision and was hired by the unit's fire department due to the reorganization of emergency medical services within the department's jurisdiction;

shall participate in the 1977 fund. A firefighter who participates in the 1977 fund under this subsection is subject to sections 18 and 21 of this chapter.

(h) A police officer or firefighter does not become a member of the 1977 fund and is not covered by this chapter if the individual was appointed as:

(1) a fire chief under a waiver under IC 36-8-4-6(c); or

(2) a police chief under a waiver under IC 36-8-4-6.5(c);

unless the executive of the unit requests that the 1977 fund accept the individual in the 1977 fund and the individual previously was a member of the 1977 fund.

(i) A police matron hired or rehired after April 30, 1977, and before July 1, 1996, who is a member of a police department in a second or third class city on March 31, 1996, is a member of the 1977 fund.

(j) A park ranger who:

(1) completed at least the number of weeks of training at the Indiana law enforcement academy or a comparable law enforcement academy in another state that were required at the time the park ranger attended the Indiana law enforcement academy or the law enforcement academy in another state;

(2) graduated from the Indiana law enforcement academy or a comparable law enforcement academy in another state; and

(3) is employed by the parks department of a city having a population of more than one hundred twenty thousand (120,000) but less than one hundred fifty thousand (150,000);

is a member of the fund.

(k) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, a police officer or firefighter:

(1) who is a member of the 1977 fund before a consolidation under IC 36-3-1-5.1 or IC 36-3-1-6.1;

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(2) whose employer is consolidated into **the consolidated law enforcement department or** the fire department of a consolidated city under IC 36-3-1-5.1 or IC 36-3-1-6.1; and

(3) who, after the consolidation, becomes an employee of the consolidated law enforcement department or the consolidated fire department under IC 36-3-1-5.1 or IC 36-3-1-6.1;

is a member of the 1977 fund without meeting the requirements under sections 19 and 21 of this chapter.

(l) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, ~~a police officer or firefighter who:~~ **if:**

(1) before a consolidation under ~~IC 36-3-1-5.1 or IC 36-3-1-6.1,~~ **IC 8-22-3-11.6, a police officer or firefighter** provides law enforcement services or fire protection services for an entity in a consolidated city;

(2) ~~has~~ the provision of those services **is** consolidated into the **law enforcement department or** fire department of a consolidated city; and

(3) after the consolidation, **the police officer or firefighter** becomes an employee of the consolidated law enforcement department or the consolidated fire department under ~~IC 36-3-1-5.1 or IC 36-3-1-6.1;~~ **IC 8-22-3-11.6;**

the police officer or firefighter is a member of the 1977 fund without meeting the requirements under sections 19 and 21 of this chapter.

(m) A police officer or firefighter who is a member of the 1977 fund under subsection (k) or (l) may not be:

(1) retired for purposes of section 10 of this chapter; or

(2) disabled for purposes of section 12 of this chapter;

solely because of a change in employer under the consolidation.

SECTION 580. IC 36-8-17-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, ~~"office"~~ **"division"** refers to the ~~office of the state fire marshal.~~ **division of fire and building safety.**

SECTION 581. IC 36-8-17-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) The fire chief and the designees of the fire chief in every fire department are assistants to the state fire marshal.

(b) A fire department shall comply with an order issued by the ~~office~~ **division** under IC 22-14-2-4 that directs the fire department to assist the ~~office.~~ **division.**

SECTION 582. IC 36-8-17-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. (a) A fire department shall investigate and determine the causes and

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circumstances surrounding each fire occurring within the territory served by the fire department. The fire department shall begin the investigation when the fire occurs. The fire department shall immediately notify the ~~office~~ **division** if the fire chief believes that a crime may have been committed and shall submit a written report to the ~~office~~ **division** concerning every investigation at the end of each month. The fire department shall submit the report on the form prescribed by the ~~office~~ **division** and shall include the following information in the report:

(1) A statement of the facts relating to the cause and origin of the fire.

(2) The extent of damage caused by the fire.

(3) The amount of insurance on the property affected by the fire.

(4) Other information required in the commission's rules.

(b) To carry out this section, a fire department may:

(1) enter and inspect any real or personal property at a reasonable hour;

(2) cooperate with the prosecuting attorney and assist the prosecuting attorney with any criminal investigation;

(3) request that the office subpoena witnesses under IC 22-14-2-8 or order the production of books, documents, and other papers;

(4) give oaths and affirmations;

(5) take depositions and conduct hearings; and

(6) separate witnesses and otherwise regulate the course of proceedings.

(c) Subpoenas, discovery orders, and protective orders issued under this section shall be enforced under IC 4-21.5-6-2.

SECTION 583. IC 36-8-17-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. (a) A fire department serving an area that does not include a city may engage in an inspection program to promote compliance with fire safety laws. The fire department shall maintain a written report for each inspection. These reports shall be made available to the ~~office~~ **division** upon request.

(b) The fire department serving an area that includes a city shall inspect every place and public way within the jurisdiction of the city, except the interiors of private dwellings, for compliance with the fire safety laws. Except as otherwise provided in the rules adopted by the commission, the fire chief of the fire department shall specify the schedule under which places and public ways are inspected and may exclude a class of places or public ways from inspection under this section, if the fire chief determines that the public interest will be

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served without inspection. The fire department shall maintain a written report for each inspection. The fire department shall submit monthly reports to the ~~office,~~ **division,** on forms prescribed by the ~~office,~~ **division,** containing the following information:

(1) The total number of inspections made.

(2) The total number of defects found, classified as required by the office.

(3) The total number of orders issued for correction of each class of defect.

(4) The total number of orders complied with.

(c) A volunteer fire department may carry out inspections under this section only through an individual who is certified under IC 22-14-2-6(c).

SECTION 584. IC 36-8-17-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. (a) A fire department may issue orders under IC 4-21.5-3-6 to require a person to cease and correct a violation of the fire safety laws. The order must grant a reasonable time in which to correct a violation of law covered by the order.

(b) A fire department may issue an emergency or temporary order under IC 4-21.5-4 if the fire department determines that conduct or a condition of property:

(1) presents a clear and immediate hazard of death or serious bodily injury to any person other than a trespasser;

(2) is prohibited without a permit, registration, certification, release, authorization, variance, exemption, or other license required under IC 22-14 or another statute administered by the ~~office~~ **division** and the license has not been issued; or

(3) will conceal a violation of law.

(c) An emergency or other temporary order issued under subsection (b) must be approved by the state fire marshal. The approval may be communicated orally to the fire department. However, the ~~department of fire and building services~~ **division** shall maintain a written record of the approval.

(d) An order under IC 4-21.5-3-6 or IC 4-21.5-4 may include the following, singly or in combination:

(1) Require a person who has taken a substantial step toward violating a fire safety law or has violated a fire safety law to cease and correct the violation.

(2) Require a person who has control over property that is affected by a violation to take reasonable steps to:

(A) protect persons and property from the hazards of the

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violation; and

(B) correct the violation.

(3) Require persons to leave an area that is affected by a violation and prohibit persons from entering the area until the violation is corrected.

SECTION 585. IC 36-8-17-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. (a) The ~~office~~ **division** shall give a person who:

(1) is aggrieved by an order issued under section 9 of this chapter; and

(2) requests review of the order in verbal or written form;

an opportunity to informally discuss the order with the ~~office.~~ **division.** Review under this subsection does not suspend the running of the time period in which a person must petition under IC 4-21.5-3-7 to appeal the order.

~~(c)~~ **(b)** The ~~office~~ **division** may, on its own initiative or at the request of any person, modify or reverse an order issued under section 9 of this chapter.

SECTION 586. IC 36-8-17-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 12. The ~~office~~ **division** may enforce an order issued under this chapter under IC 4-21.5-6.

SECTION 587. IC 36-8-19-1.5, AS ADDED BY P.L.227-2005, SECTION 51, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1.5. **(a)** If the fire ~~departments~~ **department** of a township is consolidated under IC 36-3-1-6.1, after the effective date of the consolidation the township may not establish **a** fire protection territory under this chapter.

(b) A fire protection territory that is established before the effective date of the consolidation in a township in which the township's fire department is consolidated under IC 36-3-1-6.1 becomes part of the geographic area in which the fire department of a consolidated city provides fire protection services.

SECTION 588. IC 36-9-3-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.114-2005, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) An authority is under the control of a board (referred to as "the board" in this chapter) that, except as provided in subsections (b) and (c), consists of:

(1) two (2) members appointed by the executive of each county in the authority;

(2) one (1) member appointed by the executive of the largest municipality in each county in the authority;

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(3) one (1) member appointed by the executive of each second class city in a county in the authority; and

(4) one (1) member from any other political subdivision that has public transportation responsibilities in a county in the authority.

(b) An authority that includes a consolidated city is under the control of a board consisting of the following:

(1) Two (2) members appointed by the executive of the county having the consolidated city.

(2) One (1) member appointed by the board of commissioners of the county having the consolidated city.

(3) One (1) member appointed by the executive of each other county in the authority.

(4) Two (2) members appointed by the governor from a list of at least five (5) names provided by the Indianapolis regional transportation council.

(5) One (1) member representing the four (4) largest municipalities in the authority located in a county other than a county containing a consolidated city. The member shall be appointed by the executives of the municipalities acting jointly.

(6) One (1) member representing the excluded cities located in a county containing a consolidated city that are members of the authority. The member shall be appointed by the executives of the excluded cities acting jointly.

(7) One (1) member of a labor organization representing employees of the authority who provide public transportation services within the geographic jurisdiction of the authority. The labor organization shall appoint the member.

(c) An authority that includes a county having a population of more than four hundred thousand (400,000) but less than seven hundred thousand (700,000) is under the control of a board consisting of the following ~~sixteen (16)~~ **nineteen (19)** members:

(1) Three (3) members appointed by the executive of a city with a population of more than ninety thousand (90,000) but less than one hundred five thousand (105,000).

(2) Two (2) members appointed by the executive of a city with a population of more than seventy-five thousand (75,000) but less than ninety thousand (90,000).

(3) One (1) member jointly appointed by the executives of the following municipalities located within a county having a population of more than four hundred thousand (400,000) but less than seven hundred thousand (700,000):

(A) A city with a population of more than five thousand one

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hundred thirty-five (5,135) but less than five thousand two hundred (5,200).

(B) A city with a population of more than thirty-two thousand (32,000) but less than thirty-two thousand eight hundred (32,800).

(4) One (1) member who is jointly appointed by the fiscal body of the following municipalities located within a county with a population of more than four hundred thousand (400,000) but less than seven hundred thousand (700,000):

(A) A town with a population of more than fifteen thousand (15,000) but less than twenty thousand (20,000).

(B) A town with a population of more than twenty-three thousand (23,000) but less than twenty-four thousand (24,000).

(C) A town with a population of more than twenty thousand (20,000) but less than twenty-three thousand (23,000).

(5) One (1) member who is jointly appointed by the fiscal body of the following municipalities located within a county with a population of more than four hundred thousand (400,000) but less than seven hundred thousand (700,000):

(A) A town with a population of more than eight thousand (8,000) but less than nine thousand (9,000).

(B) A town with a population of more than twenty-four thousand (24,000) but less than thirty thousand (30,000).

(C) A town with a population of more than twelve thousand five hundred (12,500) but less than fifteen thousand (15,000).

(6) One (1) member who is jointly appointed by the following authorities of municipalities located in a county having a population of more than four hundred thousand (400,000) but less than seven hundred thousand (700,000):

(A) The executive of a city with a population of more than nineteen thousand eight hundred (19,800) but less than twenty-one thousand (21,000).

(B) The fiscal body of a town with a population of more than nine thousand (9,000) but less than twelve thousand five hundred (12,500).

(C) The fiscal body of a town with a population of more than five thousand (5,000) but less than eight thousand (8,000).

(D) The fiscal body of a town with a population of less than one thousand five hundred (1,500).

(E) The fiscal body of a town with a population of more than two thousand two hundred (2,200) but less than five thousand

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(5,000).

(7) One (1) member appointed by the fiscal body of a town with a population of more than thirty thousand (30,000) located within a county with a population of more than four hundred thousand (400,000) but less than seven hundred thousand (700,000).

(8) One (1) member who is jointly appointed by the following authorities of municipalities that are located within a county with a population of more than four hundred thousand (400,000) but less than seven hundred thousand (700,000):

(A) The executive of a city having a population of more than twenty-five thousand (25,000) but less than twenty-seven thousand (27,000).

(B) The executive of a city having a population of more than thirteen thousand nine hundred (13,900) but less than fourteen thousand two hundred (14,200).

(C) The fiscal body of a town having a population of more than one thousand five hundred (1,500) but less than two thousand two hundred (2,200).

(9) Three (3) members appointed by the fiscal body of a county with a population of more than four hundred thousand (400,000) but less than seven hundred thousand (700,000).

(10) One (1) member appointed by the county executive of a county with a population of more than four hundred thousand (400,000) but less than seven hundred thousand (700,000).

(11) One (1) member of a labor organization representing employees of the authority who provide public transportation services within the geographic jurisdiction of the authority. The labor organization shall appoint the member. If more than one (1) labor organization represents the employees of the authority, each organization shall submit one (1) name to the governor, and the governor shall appoint the member from the list of names submitted by the organizations.

(12) The executive of a city with a population of more than twenty-seven thousand four hundred (27,400) but less than twenty-eight thousand (28,000), located within a county with a population of more than one hundred forty-five thousand (145,000) but less than one hundred forty-eight thousand (148,000), or the executive's designee.

(13) The executive of a city with a population of more than thirty-three thousand (33,000) but less than thirty-six thousand (36,000), located within a county with a population of more than one hundred forty-five thousand (145,000) but less than one

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hundred forty-eight thousand (148,000), or the executive's designee.

(14) One (1) member of the board of commissioners of a county with a population of more than one hundred forty-five thousand (145,000) but less than one hundred forty-eight thousand (148,000), appointed by the board of commissioners, or the member's designee.

SECTION 589. IC 36-9-3-9, AS AMENDED BY P.L.114-2005, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. (a) A majority of the members appointed to the board constitutes a quorum for a meeting.

(b) Except as provided in subsections (c) and (d), the board may act officially by an affirmative vote of a majority of those present at the meeting at which the action is taken.

(c) If the authority includes a county having a population of more than four hundred thousand (400,000) but less than seven hundred thousand (700,000), then:

(1) an affirmative vote of a majority of the board is necessary for an action to be taken; and

(2) a vacancy in membership does not impair the right of a quorum to exercise all rights and perform all duties of the board.

(d) This ~~section~~ **subsection** applies to an authority that includes a county having a population of more than four hundred thousand (400,000) but less than seven hundred thousand (700,000). A member described in section 5(c)(12), 5(c)(13), or 5(c)(14) of this chapter may not vote on the distribution or payment of money by the authority unless a county with a population of more than one hundred forty-five thousand (145,000) but less than one hundred forty-eight thousand (148,000) pays to the authority the county's share of the authority's budget under this chapter and as agreed by the counties participating in the authority.

SECTION 590. IC 36-10-10-17 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 17. Before the execution of a lease, the authority proposing to build a convention center for lease to a city shall submit to and receive approval by the city executive and city legislative body of the plans, specifications, and estimates of cost for the convention center. The plans and specifications shall be submitted to and approved by the state department of health, ~~state fire marshal, state building commissioner,~~ **the department of homeland security,** and other state agencies that are designated by statute to pass on plans and specifications for public buildings.

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SECTION 591. IC 36-12-12-8, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION 49, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. **Notwithstanding IC 6-1.1-17,** the department of local government finance may approve appropriations from the capital projects fund only if the appropriations conform to a plan that has been adopted and approved in compliance with this chapter.

SECTION 592. THE FOLLOWING ARE REPEALED [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: IC 3-11-2-2; IC 4-4-30-2; IC 4-4-32.4; IC 4-20.5-6-9, as added by P.L.244-2005, SECTION 1; IC 4-20.5-6-9, as added by P.L.11-2005, SECTION 2; IC 6-1.1-21-10.5; IC 13-11-2-85.7; IC 15-7-9-1; IC 25-2.5-1-4; IC 25-5.1-1-6; IC 25-23.6-1-2.5; IC 25-29-1-11; IC 28-1-21.10; IC 28-1-21.11; IC 28-1-21.12; IC 33-37-7-1; IC 33-37-7-3; IC 33-37-7-5; IC 33-37-7-7; IC 34-6-2-44.3, as added by P.L.116-2005, SECTION 2; IC 34-6-2-44.3, as added by P.L.179-2005, SECTION 3; IC 34-30-2-152.2, as added by P.L.192-2005, SECTION 7; IC 34-30-2-152.2, as added by P.L.140-2005, SECTION 6; IC 35-47-13, as added by P.L.140-2005, SECTION 9; IC 35-47-13, as added by P.L.187-2005, SECTION 4.

SECTION 593. P.L.22-2005, SECTION 60, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: SECTION 60. (a) The definitions in IC 10-19-1, as added by this act, apply throughout this SECTION.

(b) As used in this SECTION, "agency" refers to the state emergency management agency established by IC 10-14-2-1.

(c) After April 14, 2005, the following apply:

(1) The agency is abolished.

(2) The powers and duties of the agency are transferred to the department.

(3) A reference to the agency in a statute, a rule, or another document is considered a reference to the department.

(4) All the property of the agency is transferred to the department.

(5) An appropriation to the agency, in effect after April 14, 2005, is transferred to the department.

(6) The following funds are transferred to the department:

(A) The emergency management contingency fund established by IC 10-14-3-28.

(B) The state disaster relief fund established by IC 10-14-4-5.

(C) The nuclear response fund established ~~under IC 10-14-6.~~ **by IC 10-14-8-6.**

(7) Personnel positions of the agency are transferred to the

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department.

(8) This subdivision applies to an individual employed by the agency on April 14, 2005:

(A) The individual is entitled to become an employee of the department on April 15, 2005.

(B) The individual is entitled to have the individual's service as an employee of the agency before April 15, 2005, included for the purpose of computing all applicable employment rights and benefits with the department.

(9) All leases and obligations entered into by the agency before April 15, 2005, that are legal and valid on April 15, 2005, are obligations of the department beginning April 15, 2005.

(d) This SECTION expires July 1, 2008.

SECTION 594. P.L.63-2005, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: SECTION 1. (a) As used in this SECTION, "task force" refers to the environmental crimes task force established by this SECTION.

(b) There is established the environmental crimes task force.

(c) The task force consists of the following members:

(1) Two (2) members of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives. The members appointed under this subdivision may not be members of the same political party.

(2) Two (2) members of the senate appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate. The members appointed under this subdivision may not be members of the same political party.

(3) Two (2) members appointed by the governor who are representatives of local government. The members appointed under this subdivision may not be members of the same political party.

(4) Three (3) members appointed by the governor who are representatives of environmental advocacy organizations.

(5) Two (2) members appointed by the governor who are representatives of business and industry.

(6) Two (2) members appointed by the governor who are attorneys with expertise in environmental law.

(7) The commissioner of the department of environmental management or the commissioner's designee.

(8) One (1) member nominated by the attorney general and appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate.

(9) One (1) member nominated by the prosecuting attorneys council of Indiana and appointed by the speaker of the house of

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representatives who is a representative of prosecuting attorneys.

(10) The director of the law enforcement division of the department of natural resources or the director's designee.

(11) A representative of a business group affected by environmental laws appointed by the governor.

The appointments required under this subsection shall be made before July 1, 2005.

(d) The appointed members of the task force serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority. The appointing authority shall fill any vacancy on the task force within forty-five (45) days.

(e) The chairman of the legislative council shall designate a legislative member of the ~~commission~~ **task force** to serve as chairperson of the ~~commission.~~ **task force.**

(f) The expenses of the task force shall be paid from appropriations made to the legislative council or the legislative services agency.

(g) The task force shall do the following:

(1) Conduct studies necessary to prepare a final report that includes at least the following:

(A) A summary of environmental crime statutes of other states.

(B) A summary of requirements of federal environmental programs delegated to states.

(C) A summary of federal criminal sentencing guidelines.

(D) Recommendations about which environmental law violations should be a misdemeanor, a Class D felony, or a felony of another class.

(E) If determined appropriate by the task force, recommendations for legislation, including a set of specific statutory standards for determining criminal violations.

The task force must consider in its studies the full range of issues dealing with environmental law.

(2) Submit its final report before November 1, 2007, to:

(A) the governor;

(B) the executive director of the legislative services agency in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6; and

(C) the environmental quality service council.

(h) The department of environmental management shall provide staff support to the task force.

(i) The task force shall operate under the policies governing study committees adopted by the legislative council.

(j) A quorum of the task force must be present to conduct business. A quorum consists of a majority of the members of the task force. The

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task force may not take an official action unless the official action has been approved by at least a majority of the members of the task force.

(k) This SECTION expires January 1, 2008.

SECTION 595. P.L.177-2005, SECTION 48, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: SECTION 48. (a) After June 30, 2005, a reference in any law, rule, contract, or other document or record to:

(1) the division of information technology of the Indiana department of administration;

(2) the technology oversight commission; or

(3) the enhanced data access review committee;

shall be treated as a reference to the office of technology established by IC 4-13.1-2-1, as added by this act.

(b) On July 1, 2005, the property and obligations of:

(1) the division of information technology of the Indiana department of administration;

(2) the technology oversight commission; or

(3) the enhanced **data** access review committee;

are transferred to the office of technology established by IC 4-13.1-2-1, as added by this act.

(c) An action taken by:

(1) the division of information technology of the Indiana department of administration;

(2) the technology oversight commission; or

(3) the enhanced **data** access review committee;

before July 1, 2005, shall be treated after June 30, 2005, as if the action had been taken originally by the office of technology established by IC 4-13.1-2-1, as added by this act.

(d) The funds that are in:

(1) the telephone rotary fund;

(2) the data processing rotary fund; and

(3) the enhanced **data** access review committee;

shall be transferred to a rotary fund established by the office of technology established by IC 4-13.1-2-1, as added by this act, when the rotary fund is established by the office of technology.

(e) On July 1, 2005, individuals who were employees of:

(1) the division of information technology of the Indiana department of administration;

(2) the technology oversight commission; or

(3) the enhanced **data** access review committee;

on June 30, 2005, become employees of the office of technology established by IC 4-13.1-2-1, as added by this act.

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(f) This SECTION expires July 1, 2006.

SECTION 596. P.L.228-2005, SECTION 33, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: SECTION 33. (a) The definitions in IC 6-1.1-1 apply throughout this SECTION.

(b) As used in this SECTION, "taxpayer" means a nonprofit corporation that is an owner of land and improvements:

(1) that were granted an exemption under IC 6-1.1-10 from property taxes first due and payable in 2001;

(2) that were owned by a sorority and used by the sorority to carry out its purposes during the period relevant to the determination of exemption from property taxes under IC 6-1.1-10-16 or IC 6-1.1-10-24 for the assessment dates in 2002 and 2003;

(3) for which a property tax liability was imposed for property taxes first due and payable in 2003 and 2004 that in total exceeded sixty thousand dollars ($60,000); and

(4) that would have qualified for an exemption under IC 6-1.1-10-16 or IC 6-1.1-10-24 from property taxes first due and payable in 2003 and 2004 if the owner had complied with the filing requirements for the exemption in a timely manner.

(c) The land and improvements described in subsection (b) are exempt from property taxes first due and payable in 2003 and 2004, notwithstanding that the taxpayer failed to make a timely application for the exemption for those years.

(d) The taxpayer may file claims with the county auditor for a refund for the amounts paid toward property taxes on the land and improvements described in subsection (b) that were billed to the taxpayer for property taxes first due and payable in 2003 and 2004. The claim must be filed as set forth in IC 6-1.1-26-1(1) through IC 6-1.1-26-1(3). The claims must present sufficient facts for the county auditor to determine:

(1) whether the claimant meets the qualifications described in subsection (b); and

(2) the amount that should be refunded to the taxpayer.

(e) Upon receiving a claim filed under this SECTION, the county auditor shall determine whether the claim is correct. If the county auditor determines that the claim is correct, the county auditor shall submit the claim under ~~IC 6-1.1-26-3~~ **IC 6-1.1-26-4** to the county board of commissioners for review. The only grounds for disallowing the claim under IC 6-1.1-26-4 are that the claimant is not a person that meets the qualifications described in subsection (b) or that the amount claimed is not the amount due to the taxpayer. If the claim is allowed, the county auditor shall, without an appropriation being required, issue

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a warrant to the claimant payable from the county general fund for the amount due the claimant under this SECTION. The amount of the refund must equal the amount of the claim allowed. Notwithstanding IC 6-1.1-26-5, no interest is payable on the refund.

(f) This SECTION expires December 31, 2008.

SECTION 597. **An emergency is declared for this act.**

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