SENATE BILL No. 344

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 3-7-15-2; IC 6-8.1-7-1; IC 7.1-5-10-13; IC 10-13-3-27; IC 11-10; IC 11-12; IC 12-7-2; IC 12-15; IC 12-19; IC 16-33-3-10; IC 16-34-2-1.1; IC 20-21-2-8; IC 20-22-2-8; IC 34-30-2-46.

Synopsis: Restoration of county offices of family resources. Eliminates authority of the division of family resources to replace county offices with regional offices. Replaces references to "local office" and "local director" with "county office" and "county director". Repeals definitions of "local office" and "local director".

Effective: Upon passage.

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

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

SECTION 1. IC 3-7-15-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. The general assembly finds that the following offices in Indiana provide public assistance within the scope of NVRA:

(1) Each ~~local~~ **county** office established under IC 12-19-1-1 that administers:

(A) the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program (TANF) under IC 12-14; or

(B) the Medicaid program under IC 12-15.

(2) Each office of the division of family resources that administers the food stamp program under federal law.

(3) Each office of the state department of health that administers the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for the Women, Infants and Children Program (WIC) under IC 16-35-1.5.

SECTION 2. IC 6-8.1-7-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.131-2008, SECTION 29, AND AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION

359, IS CORRECTED AND AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. (a) This subsection does not apply to the disclosure of information concerning a conviction on a tax evasion charge. Unless in accordance with a judicial order or as otherwise provided in this chapter, the department, its employees, former employees, counsel, agents, or any other person may not divulge the amount of tax paid by any taxpayer, terms of a settlement agreement executed between a taxpayer and the department, investigation records, investigation reports, or any other information disclosed by the reports filed under the provisions of the law relating to any of the listed taxes, including required information derived from a federal return, except to:

(1) members and employees of the department;

(2) the governor;

(3) the attorney general or any other legal representative of the state in any action in respect to the amount of tax due under the provisions of the law relating to any of the listed taxes; or

(4) any authorized officers of the United States;

when it is agreed that the information is to be confidential and to be used solely for official purposes.

(b) The information described in subsection (a) may be revealed upon the receipt of a certified request of any designated officer of the state tax department of any other state, district, territory, or possession of the United States when:

(1) the state, district, territory, or possession permits the exchange of like information with the taxing officials of the state; and

(2) it is agreed that the information is to be confidential and to be used solely for tax collection purposes.

(c) The information described in subsection (a) relating to a person on public welfare or a person who has made application for public welfare may be revealed to the director of the division of family resources, and to any director of a ~~*county local*~~ **county** office of ~~*family and children*~~ *the division of family resources* located in Indiana, upon receipt of a written request from either director for the information. The information shall be treated as confidential by the directors. In addition, the information described in subsection (a) relating to a person who has been designated as an absent parent by the state Title IV-D agency shall be made available to the state Title IV-D agency upon request. The information shall be subject to the information safeguarding provisions of the state and federal Title IV-D programs.

(d) The name, address, Social Security number, and place of employment relating to any individual who is delinquent in paying

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educational loans owed to a postsecondary educational institution may be revealed to that institution if it provides proof to the department that the individual is delinquent in paying for educational loans. This information shall be provided free of charge to approved postsecondary educational institutions (as defined by IC 21-7-13-6(a)). The department shall establish fees that all other institutions must pay to the department to obtain information under this subsection. However, these fees may not exceed the department's administrative costs in providing the information to the institution.

(e) The information described in subsection (a) relating to reports submitted under IC 6-6-1.1-502 concerning the number of gallons of gasoline sold by a distributor and IC 6-6-2.5 concerning the number of gallons of special fuel sold by a supplier and the number of gallons of special fuel exported by a licensed exporter or imported by a licensed transporter may be released by the commissioner upon receipt of a written request for the information.

(f) The information described in subsection (a) may be revealed upon the receipt of a written request from the administrative head of a state agency of Indiana when:

(1) the state agency shows an official need for the information; and

(2) the administrative head of the state agency agrees that any information released will be kept confidential and will be used solely for official purposes.

(g) The information described in subsection (a) may be revealed upon the receipt of a written request from the chief law enforcement officer of a state or local law enforcement agency in Indiana when it is agreed that the information is to be confidential and to be used solely for official purposes.

~~(g)~~ *(h)* The name and address of retail merchants, including township, as specified in IC 6-2.5-8-1(j) may be released solely for tax collection purposes to township assessors and county assessors.

~~(h)~~ *(i)* The department shall notify the appropriate innkeepers' tax board, bureau, or commission that a taxpayer is delinquent in remitting innkeepers' taxes under IC 6-9.

~~(i)~~ *(j)* All information relating to the delinquency or evasion of the motor vehicle excise tax may be disclosed to the bureau of motor vehicles in Indiana and may be disclosed to another state, if the information is disclosed for the purpose of the enforcement and collection of the taxes imposed by IC 6-6-5.

~~(j)~~ *(k)* All information relating to the delinquency or evasion of commercial vehicle excise taxes payable to the bureau of motor

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vehicles in Indiana may be disclosed to the bureau and may be disclosed to another state, if the information is disclosed for the purpose of the enforcement and collection of the taxes imposed by IC 6-6-5.5.

~~(k)~~ *(l)* All information relating to the delinquency or evasion of commercial vehicle excise taxes payable under the International Registration Plan may be disclosed to another state, if the information is disclosed for the purpose of the enforcement and collection of the taxes imposed by IC 6-6-5.5.

(m) All information relating to the delinquency or evasion of the excise taxes imposed on recreational vehicles and truck campers that are payable to the bureau of motor vehicles in Indiana may be disclosed to the bureau and may be disclosed to another state if the information is disclosed for the purpose of the enforcement and collection of the taxes imposed by IC 6-6-5.1.

~~(l)~~ *(n)* This section does not apply to:

(1) the beer excise tax (IC 7.1-4-2);
(2) the liquor excise tax (IC 7.1-4-3);
(3) the wine excise tax (IC 7.1-4-4);
(4) the hard cider excise tax (IC 7.1-4-4.5);
(5) the malt excise tax (IC 7.1-4-5);
(6) the motor vehicle excise tax (IC 6-6-5);
(7) the commercial vehicle excise tax (IC 6-6-5.5); and
(8) the fees under IC 13-23.

~~(m)~~ *(o)* The name and business address of retail merchants within each county that sell tobacco products may be released to the division of mental health and addiction and the alcohol and tobacco commission solely for the purpose of the list prepared under IC 6-2.5-6-14.2.

SECTION 3. IC 7.1-5-10-13, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 360, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 13. A permittee who holds a permit to sell at retail shall not cash a check issued by the ~~local~~ **county** office of the division of family resources or by a charitable organization if any part of the proceeds of the check are to be used to purchase an alcoholic beverage.

SECTION 4. IC 10-13-3-27, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 368, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 27. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), on request, a law enforcement agency shall release 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 has provided criminal history data as 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 31-25-1-1) 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 ~~local~~ **county** office of the division of family resources;
(12) is being sought by the parent locator service of the child support bureau of the department of child services;
(13) is or was required to register as a sex or violent offender under IC 11-8-8; 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).

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(H) Child seduction (IC 35-42-4-7).
(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 knowingly or intentionally uses limited criminal history for any purpose not specified under this section commits a Class A misdemeanor.

SECTION 5. IC 11-10-7-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 369, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) The earnings of an offender employed under this chapter shall be surrendered to the department. This amount shall be distributed in the following order:

(1) Not less than twenty percent (20%) of the offender's gross earnings to be given to the offender or retained by the department. If retained by the department, the amount, with accrued interest if interest on the amount is earned, must be returned to the offender not later than at the time of the offender's release on parole or discharge.
(2) State and federal income taxes and Social Security deductions.
(3) The expenses of room and board, as fixed by the department and the budget agency, in facilities operated by the department, or, if the offender is housed in a facility not operated by the department, the amount paid by the department to the operator of the facility or other appropriate authority for room and board and other incidentals as established by agreement between the department and the appropriate authority.
(4) The support of the offender's dependents, when directed by the offender or ordered by the court to pay this support. If the

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offender's dependents are receiving welfare assistance, the appropriate ~~local~~ **county** office of the division of family resources or welfare department in another state shall be notified of these disbursements.

(5) Ten percent (10%) of the offender's gross earnings, to be deposited in the violent crime victims compensation fund established by IC 5-2-6.1-40.

(b) Any remaining amount shall be given to the offender or retained by the department in accord with subsection (a)(1).

(c) The department may, when special circumstances warrant or for just cause, waive the collection of room and board charges by or on behalf of a facility operated by the department or, if the offender is housed in a facility not operated by the department, authorize payment of room and board charges from other available funds.

SECTION 6. IC 11-10-8-6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 370, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) The earnings of an offender employed in a work release program under this chapter, less payroll deductions required by law and court ordered deductions for satisfaction of a judgment against the offender, shall be surrendered to the department or its designated representative. The remaining earnings shall be distributed in the following order:

(1) State and federal income taxes and Social Security deductions not otherwise withheld.

(2) The cost of membership in an employee organization.

(3) Ten percent (10%) of the offender's gross earnings, to be deposited in the violent crime victims compensation fund established by IC 5-2-6.1-40.

(4) Not less than fifteen percent (15%) of the offender's gross earnings, if that amount of the gross is available after the above deductions, to be given to the offender or retained by the department. If retained by the department, the amount, with accrued interest, must be returned to the offender not later than at the time of the offender's release on parole or discharge.

(5) The expense of room and board, as fixed by the department and the budget agency, in facilities operated by the department, or, if the offender is housed in a facility not operated by the department, the amount paid by the department to the operator of the facility or other appropriate authority for room and board and other incidentals as established by agreement between the department and the appropriate authority.

(6) Transportation cost to and from work, and other work related

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incidental expenses.

(7) Court ordered costs or fines imposed as a result of conviction of an offense under Indiana law, unless the costs or fines are being paid through other means.

(b) After the amounts prescribed in subsection (a) are deducted, the department may, out of the remaining amount:

(1) when directed by the offender or ordered by the court, pay for the support of the offender's dependents (if the offender's dependents are receiving welfare assistance, the appropriate ~~local~~ **county** office of the division of family resources or welfare department in another state shall be notified of these disbursements); and

(2) with the consent of the offender, pay to the offender's victims or others any unpaid obligations of the offender.

(c) Any remaining amount shall be given to the offender or retained by the department in accord with subsection (a)(4).

(d) The department may, when special circumstances warrant or for just cause, waive the collection of room and board charges by or on behalf of a facility operated by the department or, if the offender is housed in a facility not operated by the department, authorize payment of room and board charges from other available funds.

SECTION 7. IC 11-12-2-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 371, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) To qualify for financial aid under this chapter, a county must establish a community corrections advisory board by resolution of the county executive or, in a county having a consolidated city, by the city-county council. A community corrections advisory board consists of:

(1) the county sheriff or the sheriff's designee;

(2) the prosecuting attorney or the prosecuting attorney's designee;

(3) the director of the ~~local~~ **county** office of the division of family resources or the director's designee;

(4) the executive of the most populous municipality in the county or the executive's designee;

(5) two (2) judges having criminal jurisdiction, if available, appointed by the circuit court judge or the judges' designees;

(6) one (1) judge having juvenile jurisdiction, appointed by the circuit court judge;

(7) one (1) public defender or the public defender's designee, if available, or one (1) attorney with a substantial criminal defense practice appointed by the county executive or, in a county having

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a consolidated city, by the city-county council;

(8) one (1) victim, or victim advocate if available, appointed by the county executive or, in a county having a consolidated city, by the city-county council;

(9) one (1) ex-offender, if available, appointed by the county executive or, in a county having a consolidated city, by the city-county council; and

(10) the following members appointed by the county executive or, in a county having a consolidated city, by the city-county council:

(A) One (1) member of the county fiscal body or the member's designee.

(B) One (1) probation officer.

(C) One (1) educational administrator.

(D) One (1) representative of a private correctional agency, if such an agency exists in the county.

(E) One (1) mental health administrator, or, if there is none available in the county, one (1) psychiatrist, psychologist, or physician.

(F) Four (4) lay persons, at least one (1) of whom must be a member of a minority race if a racial minority resides in the county and a member of that minority is willing to serve.

(b) Designees of officials designated under subsection (a)(1) through (a)(7) and (a)(10)(A) serve at the pleasure of the designating official.

(c) Members of the advisory board appointed by the county executive or, in a county having a consolidated city, by the city-county council, shall be appointed for a term of four (4) years. The criminal defense attorney, the ex-offender, and the victim or victim advocate shall be appointed for a term of four (4) years. Other members serve only while holding the office or position held at the time of appointment. The circuit court judge may fill the position of the judge having juvenile court jurisdiction by self appointment if the circuit court judge is otherwise qualified. A vacancy occurring before the expiration of the term of office shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments for the unexpired term. Members may be reappointed.

(d) Two (2) or more counties, by resolution of their county executives or, in a county having a consolidated city, by the city-county council, may combine to apply for financial aid under this chapter. If counties so combine, the counties may establish one (1) community corrections advisory board to serve these counties. This board must contain the representation prescribed in subsection (a), but the

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members may come from the participating counties as determined by agreement of the county executives or, in a county having a consolidated city, by the city-county council.

(e) The members of the community corrections advisory board shall, within thirty (30) days after the last initial appointment is made, meet and elect one (1) member as chairman and another as vice chairman and appoint a secretary-treasurer who need not be a member. A majority of the members of a community corrections advisory board may provide for a number of members that is:

(1) less than a majority of the members; and

(2) at least six (6);

to constitute a quorum for purposes of transacting business. The affirmative votes of at least five (5) members, but not less than a majority of the members present, are required for the board to take action. A vacancy in the membership does not impair the right of a quorum to transact business.

(f) The county executive and county fiscal body shall provide necessary assistance and appropriations to the community corrections advisory board established for that county. Appropriations required under this subsection are limited to amounts received from the following sources:

(1) Department grants.

(2) User fees.

(3) Other funds as contained within an approved plan.

Additional funds may be appropriated as determined by the county executive and county fiscal body.

SECTION 8. IC 11-12-5-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 373, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. (a) Any earnings of a person employed under this chapter, less payroll deductions required by law and court ordered deductions for satisfaction of a judgment against that person, shall be collected by the county sheriff, probation department, ~~local~~ **county** office of the division of family resources, or other agency designated by the sentencing or committing court. Unless otherwise ordered by the court, the remaining earnings shall be distributed in the following order:

(1) To pay state and federal income taxes and Social Security deductions not otherwise withheld.

(2) To pay the cost of membership in an employee organization.

(3) Not less than fifteen percent (15%) of the person's gross earnings, if that amount of the gross is available after the above deductions, to be given to that person or retained for the person,

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with accrued interest, until the person's release or discharge.

(4) To pay for the person's room and board provided by the county.

(5) To pay transportation costs to and from work, and other work related incidental expenses.

(6) To pay court ordered costs, fines, or restitution.

(b) After the amounts prescribed in subsection (a) are deducted, the remaining amount may be used to:

(1) when directed by the person or ordered by the court, pay for the support of the person's dependents (if the person's dependents are receiving welfare assistance, the appropriate ~~local~~ **county** office of the division of family resources or welfare department in another state shall be notified of such disbursements); and

(2) with the consent of the person, pay to the person's victims or others any unpaid obligations of that person.

(c) Any remaining amount shall be given to the person or retained for the person according to subsection (a)(3).

(d) The collection of room and board under subsection (a)(4) may be waived.

SECTION 9. IC 12-7-2-45, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 376, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 45. "County office" refers to a ~~local~~ **county** office of the division of family resources.

SECTION 10. IC 12-7-2-46, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 377, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 46. "County director" refers to a director of a ~~local~~ **county** office of the division of family resources.

SECTION 11. IC 12-15-1.5-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 386, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. (a) The codirectors of the election division shall provide the division of family resources with a list of the current addresses and telephone numbers of the offices of the circuit court clerk or board of registration in each county. The division of family resources shall promptly forward the list and each revision of the list to each ~~local~~ **county** office.

(b) The codirectors shall provide the division of family resources with pre-addressed packets for county offices to transmit applications under section 6(1) or 6(2) of this chapter.

SECTION 12. IC 12-15-9-0.6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.145-2006, SECTION 87, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 0.6. (a) The office's claim against assets that are not included in the individual's probate estate may be enforced as

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set out in IC 32-17-13.

(b) Enforcement of a claim against assets that are not included in an individual's probate estate must be commenced not more than nine (9) months after the decedent's death. This limit does not apply to any assets that were not reported to the ~~local~~ **county** office of the division of family resources.

SECTION 13. IC 12-19-1-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 392, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1. The division shall establish ~~local~~ **county** offices of family resources in each county. ~~or district designated by the division.~~

SECTION 14. IC 12-19-1-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 393, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. (a) The director of the division shall appoint a ~~local~~ **county** director for each ~~local~~ **county** office.

(b) A ~~local~~ **county** director must be a citizen of the United States.

SECTION 15. IC 12-19-1-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 394, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. The ~~local~~ **county** director is the executive and administrative officer of the ~~local~~ **county** office.

SECTION 16. IC 12-19-1-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 395, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) A ~~local~~ **county** director is entitled to receive as compensation for the ~~local~~ **county** director's services an amount determined by the division that is within:

(1) the lawfully established appropriations; and

(2) the salary ranges of the pay plan adopted by the state personnel department and approved by the budget committee.

(b) Compensation paid to a ~~local~~ **county** director shall be paid in the same manner that compensation is paid to other state employees.

SECTION 17. IC 12-19-1-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 396, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) In addition to the compensation paid under this article, a ~~local~~ **county** director may receive for each mile necessarily traveled in the discharge of the ~~local~~ **county** director's duties the same amount per mile that other state employees receive.

(b) A ~~local~~ **county** director is also entitled to a per diem for lodging and meal expenses if the ~~local~~ **county** director's official duties require the ~~local~~ **county** director to travel outside of the county where the ~~local~~ **county** director's permanent office is located. The per diem for a ~~local~~

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county director's lodging and meals shall be paid at the rate set by law for other state employees.

SECTION 18. IC 12-19-1-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 397, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. (a) The ~~local~~ **county** director shall appoint from eligible lists established by the state personnel department the number of assistants necessary to administer the welfare activities within the county ~~or district~~ that are administered by the division under IC 12-13 through IC 12-19 or by an administrative rule, with the approval of the director of the division.

(b) The division, for personnel performing activities described in subsection (a), shall determine the compensation of the assistants within the salary ranges of the pay plan adopted by the state personnel department and approved by the budget agency, with the advice of the budget committee, and within lawfully established appropriations.

SECTION 19. IC 12-19-1-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 398, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. The costs of personal services in the administration of a ~~local~~ **county** office's duties described in section 7(a) of this chapter shall be paid by the division.

SECTION 20. IC 12-19-1-9, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 399, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 9. (a) The division shall provide the necessary facilities to house the ~~local~~ **county** office.

(b) The division shall pay for the costs of the facilities, supplies, and equipment needed by each ~~local~~ **county** office.

SECTION 21. IC 12-19-1-10, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 400, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. Subject to the rules adopted by the director of the division, a ~~local~~ **county** office shall administer the following:

(1) Assistance to dependent children in the homes of the dependent children.

(2) Assistance and services to elderly persons.

(3) Assistance to persons with disabilities.

(4) Care and treatment of the following persons, other than persons for whom the department of child services is providing services under IC 31 for the following:

(A) Dependent children.

(B) Children with disabilities.

(5) Any other welfare activities that are delegated to the ~~local~~ **county** office by the division, including services concerning

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assistance to the blind.

SECTION 22. IC 12-19-1-13, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 401, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 13. (a) A ~~local~~ **county** office may sue and be sued under the name of "The Office of Family Resources of _____" ~~(Insert:~~ County". ~~or "District", as appropriate).~~

(b) The ~~local~~ **county** office has all other rights and powers and shall perform all other duties necessary to administer this chapter.

(c) A suit brought against a ~~local~~ **county** office may be filed in any circuit or superior court with jurisdiction in the area served by the ~~local~~ **county** office.

(d) A notice or summons in a suit brought against the ~~local~~ **county** office must be served on the ~~local~~ **county** director. It is not required to name the individual employees of the ~~local~~ **county** office as either plaintiff or defendant.

SECTION 23. IC 12-19-1-15, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 402, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 15. (a) The division may receive and administer a gift, devise, or bequest of personal property, including the income from real property, that is to or for the benefit of an individual receiving payments or services through a ~~local~~ **county** office.

(b) The division shall establish a special fund or an account in a trust fund for the money received under this section. The expenses of administering the fund or account shall be paid from money in the fund or account. The money may not be commingled with money received from taxation.

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

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

(e) Subject to the approval of the judge or the court of the county having probate jurisdiction, money in the fund or account may be expended by the division in any manner consistent with the purposes of the fund or account created under this section and with the intention of the donor.

SECTION 24. IC 12-19-1-16, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 403, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS

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[EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 16. (a) This section does not apply to money appropriated by the general assembly, including any federal grant.

(b) The family resources trust clearance fund is established to administer money available to or for the benefit of an individual receiving payments or services through a ~~local~~ **county** office. The fund shall be administered by the division. Separate accounts in the fund shall be established, as appropriate, to carry out the purposes of the donors of the money deposited in the fund.

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

(d) Money in the fund may not be commingled with any other fund or with money received from taxation. The money may be expended by the ~~local~~ **county** office in any manner consistent with the following:

(1) The purpose of the fund or with the intention of the donor of the money.

(2) Indiana law.

(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 money may be invested. Interest that accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the fund.

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

SECTION 25. IC 12-19-1-18, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 404, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 18. (a) After petition to and with the approval of the judge of a circuit court of the county where an applicant for or recipient of public assistance resides (or, if a superior court has probate jurisdiction in the county, the superior court that has probate jurisdiction where the recipient of public assistance resides), a ~~local~~ **county** office may take the actions described in subsection (b) if:

(1) an applicant for public assistance is physically or mentally incapable of completing an application for assistance; or

(2) a recipient of public assistance:

(A) is incapable of managing the recipient's affairs; or

(B) refuses to:

(i) take care of the recipient's money properly; or

(ii) comply with the director of the division's rules and policies.

(b) If the conditions of subsection (a) are satisfied, the ~~local~~ **county** office may designate a responsible person to do the following:

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(1) Act for the applicant or recipient.

(2) Receive on behalf of the recipient the assistance the recipient is eligible to receive under any of the following:

(A) This chapter.

(B) IC 12-10-6.

(C) IC 12-14-1 through IC 12-14-9.5.

(D) IC 12-14-13 through IC 12-14-19.

(E) IC 12-15.

(F) IC 16-35-2.

(c) A fee for services provided under this section may be paid to the responsible person in an amount not to exceed ten dollars ($10) each month. The fee may be allowed:

(1) in the monthly assistance award; or

(2) by vendor payment if the fee would cause the amount of assistance to be increased beyond the maximum amount permitted by statute.

SECTION 26. IC 12-19-1-19, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 405, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 19. (a) A responsible person approved under section 18 of this chapter preferably must be a relative or friend of good moral character whose interest is limited to the well-being of the applicant or recipient. However, the responsible person may not be any of the following:

(1) An employee of the ~~local~~ **county** office.

(2) The superintendent of a county home.

(3) A person directly or indirectly financially connected with a health facility or an institution giving care to the recipient.

(4) A person directly or indirectly connected with the operation of a health facility or an institution giving care to the recipient.

(b) Costs may not be charged by a person or public official in proceedings concerning the appointment of a responsible person under section 18 of this chapter.

SECTION 27. IC 12-19-2-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 409, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. The following are not personally liable, except to the state, for an official act done or omitted in connection with the performance of duties under this article:

(1) The director of the division.

(2) Officers and employees of the division.

(3) Officers and employees of a ~~local~~ **county** office.

SECTION 28. IC 12-19-2-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 410, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS

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[EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. An officer or employee of:

(1) the division; or

(2) a ~~local~~ **county** office;

may administer oaths and affirmations required to carry out the purposes of this article or of any other statute imposing duties on the ~~local~~ **county** office.

SECTION 29. IC 12-19-2-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 411, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. A person who is related to a ~~local~~ **county** director in the following manner is not eligible for a position in the ~~local~~ **county** office:

(1) Husband or wife.

(2) Father or mother.

(3) Son or daughter.

(4) Son-in-law or daughter-in-law.

(5) Brother or sister.

(6) Niece or nephew.

(7) Uncle or aunt.

SECTION 30. IC 12-19-2-6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 412, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. A person prohibited under section 5 of this chapter from employment with a ~~local~~ **county** office may not receive compensation for services performed for the ~~local~~ **county** office from appropriations made by the state or by the county.

SECTION 31. IC 16-33-3-10, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 436, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. Whenever the circuit court having jurisdiction finds, upon application by the ~~local~~ **county** office of the division of family resources, that the parent or guardian of a client placed in the center is unable to meet the costs that the parent or guardian is required to pay for the services of the center, the court shall order payment of the costs from the county general fund.

SECTION 32. IC 16-34-2-1.1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 444, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 1.1. (a) An abortion shall not be performed except with the voluntary and informed consent of the pregnant woman upon whom the abortion is to be performed. Except in the case of a medical emergency, consent to an abortion is voluntary and informed only if the following conditions are met:

(1) At least eighteen (18) hours before the abortion and in the presence of the pregnant woman, the physician who is to perform the abortion, the referring physician or a physician assistant (as

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defined in IC 25-27.5-2-10), an advanced practice nurse (as defined in IC 25-23-1-1(b)), or a midwife (as defined in IC 34-18-2-19) to whom the responsibility has been delegated by the physician who is to perform the abortion or the referring physician has orally informed the pregnant woman of the following:

(A) The name of the physician performing the abortion.

(B) The nature of the proposed procedure or treatment.

(C) The risks of and alternatives to the procedure or treatment.

(D) The probable gestational age of the fetus, including an offer to provide:

(i) a picture or drawing of a fetus;

(ii) the dimensions of a fetus; and

(iii) relevant information on the potential survival of an unborn fetus;

at this stage of development.

(E) The medical risks associated with carrying the fetus to term.

(F) The availability of fetal ultrasound imaging and auscultation of fetal heart tone services to enable the pregnant woman to view the image and hear the heartbeat of the fetus and how to obtain access to these services.

(2) At least eighteen (18) hours before the abortion, the pregnant woman will be orally informed of the following:

(A) That medical assistance benefits may be available for prenatal care, childbirth, and neonatal care from the ~~local~~ **county** office of the division of family resources.

(B) That the father of the unborn fetus is legally required to assist in the support of the child. In the case of rape, the information required under this clause may be omitted.

(C) That adoption alternatives are available and that adoptive parents may legally pay the costs of prenatal care, childbirth, and neonatal care.

(3) The pregnant woman certifies in writing, before the abortion is performed, that the information required by subdivisions (1) and (2) has been provided.

(b) Before an abortion is performed, the pregnant woman may, upon the pregnant woman's request, view the fetal ultrasound imaging and hear the auscultation of the fetal heart tone if the fetal heart tone is audible.

SECTION 33. IC 20-21-2-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 457, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS

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[EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. Upon the presentation of satisfactory evidence showing that:

(1) there is a school age individual with a visual disability residing in a county;

(2) the individual is entitled to the facilities of the school;

(3) the individual's parent wishes the individual to participate in the school's educational program but is unable to pay the expenses of maintaining the individual at the school; and

(4) the individual is entitled to placement in the school under section 6 of this chapter;

a court with jurisdiction shall, upon application by the ~~local~~ **county** office of the division of family resources, order the individual to be sent to the school at the expense of the county. The expenses include the expenses described in section 10 of this chapter and shall be paid from the county general fund.

SECTION 34. IC 20-22-2-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 458, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. Upon the presentation of satisfactory evidence showing that:

(1) there is a school age individual with a hearing disability residing in a county;

(2) the individual is entitled to the facilities of the school;

(3) the individual's parent wishes the individual to participate in the school's educational program but is unable to pay the expenses of maintaining the individual at the school; and

(4) the individual is entitled to placement in the school under section 6 of this chapter;

a court with jurisdiction shall, upon application by the ~~local~~ **county** office of the division of family resources, order the individual to be sent to the school at the expense of the county. The expenses include the expenses described in section 10 of this chapter and shall be paid from the county general fund.

SECTION 35. IC 34-30-2-46, AS AMENDED BY P.L.146-2008, SECTION 679, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 46. IC 12-19-2-2 (Concerning the officers and other employees of the division of family resources, including the ~~local~~ **county** offices of the division of family resources).

SECTION 36. THE FOLLOWING ARE REPEALED [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: IC 12-7-2-124.6; IC 12-7-2-124.8.

SECTION 37. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] **(a) The authority of the division of family resources to replace county offices with regional offices is terminated. If the division of family resources**

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has consolidated two (2) or more county offices into a single regional office or has otherwise transferred the responsibilities of one (1) or more county offices to a regional office, the division of family resources shall as soon as practicable reorganize its administrative structure to restore a county director and a county office in each county.

(b) This SECTION expires July 1, 2010.

SECTION 38. **An emergency is declared for this act.**

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