



January 11, 2012

HOUSE BILL No. 1220

DIGEST OF HB 1220 (Updated January 11, 2012 11:29 am - DI 116)

Citations Affected: IC 21-18.

Synopsis: Commission for higher education. Allows the commission for higher education to approve or disapprove existing or new associate, baccalaureate, or graduate degrees, or programs leading to a certificate or other indication of accomplishment. Requires each state educational institution to review its undergraduate degree programs to determine the number of credit hours required for the degree and to report the results of the review to the commission, including a justification for any associate degree program of more than 60 hours or baccalaureate degree program of more than 120 hours.

Effective: July 1, 2012.

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January 9, 2012, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.
January 11, 2012, reported — Do Pass.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2011 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning higher education.

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 21-18-9-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.169-2011,
2 SECTION 21, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2012]: Sec. 5. The commission may approve or disapprove
4 the:

- 5 (1) establishment of any new branches, regional or other
6 campuses, or extension centers;
7 (2) establishment of any new college or school; or
8 (3) offering ~~on any campus~~ of any **proposed or existing**:
9 (A) ~~additional~~ associate, baccalaureate, or graduate degree; or
10 (B) ~~additional~~ program leading to a certificate or other
11 indication of accomplishment.

12 SECTION 2. IC 21-18-9-7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
13 AS A **NEW SECTION** TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
14 1, 2012]: **Sec. 7. (a) Each state educational institution shall review**
15 **each undergraduate degree program offered or proposed by the**
16 **state educational institution to determine the number of credit**
17 **hours required for the degree and report the results to the**

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1 **commission. If a degree program requires more than:**
2 **(1) sixty (60) credit hours for an associate degree; or**
3 **(2) one hundred twenty (120) credit hours for a baccalaureate**
4 **degree;**
5 **the state educational institution must provide justification to the**
6 **commission in the report for the additional credit hours required.**
7 **(b) The commission shall require a periodic review and report**
8 **of the credit hours required for degree programs under this**
9 **section.**

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Education, to which was referred House Bill 1220, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

BEHNING, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 12, nays 0.

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