
HOUSE BILL No. 1316

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 21-9-7-2; IC 21-12-13-2; IC 21-13; IC 21-18.5-4-9.

Synopsis: Higher education stipends. Establishes the high need student teaching stipend fund (fund). Adds a definition of "high need fields". Requires the fund to be used to provide stipends to enable students to teach upon graduation in accredited schools in Indiana in special education or high need fields. Establishes the minority student teaching stipend fund to provide stipends to minority students who will participate in student teaching as part of their degree requirements. Repeals provisions establishing: (1) the nursing scholarship fund; and (2) the minority teacher or special education services scholarship fund used to provide scholarships for minority students and for students who intend to teach special education or practice occupational or physical therapy after graduation. Makes conforming amendments.

Effective: July 1, 2013.

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January 17, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.

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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 21-9-7-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.107-2012,
- 2 SECTION 12, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
- 3 JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 2. The amount of money available in an account
- 4 and the proposed use of money in an account on behalf of an account
- 5 beneficiary may not be considered by the commission for higher
- 6 education under IC 21-12-3, IC 21-12-4, IC 21-12-5, ~~or IC 21-13-2~~
- 7 **IC 21-13-2.5, or IC 21-13-3.5** when determining award amounts under
- 8 another program administered by the commission for higher education.
- 9 SECTION 2. IC 21-12-13-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.169-2011,
- 10 SECTION 14, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
- 11 JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 2. (a) This section applies to the following
- 12 scholarship, **stipend**, and fee remission statutes:
- 13 (1) IC 21-12-3.
- 14 (2) IC 21-12-4.
- 15 (3) IC 21-12-6.
- 16 (4) IC 21-12-8.
- 17 (5) IC 21-12-9.



- 1 ~~(6) IC 21-13-2.~~
 2 ~~(7) IC 21-13-3.~~
 3 **(6) IC 21-13-2.5.**
 4 **(7) IC 21-13-3.5.**
 5 (8) IC 21-13-4.
 6 (9) IC 21-14-5.
 7 (10) IC 21-14-6-2.
- 8 (b) Except as provided in sections 3 and 4 of this chapter, a grant or
 9 reduction in tuition or fees, including all renewals and extensions,
 10 under any of the laws listed in subsection (a) may not exceed eight (8)
 11 full-time undergraduate semesters or its equivalent, as determined by
 12 the commission and must be used within eight (8) years after the date
 13 the individual first applies and becomes eligible for benefits under the
 14 applicable law.
- 15 SECTION 3. IC 21-13-1-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.170-2009,
 16 SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 17 JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 5. "Fund":
- 18 (1) for purposes of ~~IC 21-13-2~~, **IC 21-13-3.5**, refers to the
 19 minority ~~teacher or special education services scholarship student~~
 20 **teaching stipend** fund established by ~~IC 21-13-2-1~~;
 21 **IC 21-13-3.5-1**;
 22 (2) for purposes of ~~IC 21-13-3~~, **IC 21-13-2.5**, refers to the ~~nursing~~
 23 **scholarship high need student teaching stipend** fund established
 24 by ~~IC 21-13-3-1~~; **IC 21-13-2.5-1**;
 25 (3) for purposes of IC 21-13-4, refers to the National Guard
 26 tuition supplement program fund established by IC 21-13-4-1;
 27 (4) for purposes of IC 21-13-5, refers to the National Guard
 28 scholarship extension fund established by IC 21-13-5-1; and
 29 (5) for purposes of IC 21-13-6, refers to the primary care
 30 physician loan forgiveness fund established by IC 21-13-6-3.
- 31 SECTION 4. IC 21-13-1-5.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
 32 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
 33 1, 2013]: **Sec. 5.5. "High need field" means a teaching specialty**
 34 **that:**
- 35 **(1) impacts the economic vitality of the state; and**
 36 **(2) experiences a shortage of candidates.**
- 37 SECTION 5. IC 21-13-2 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
 38 2013]. (Minority Teacher Scholarships; Special Education,
 39 Occupational Therapy, and Physical Therapy Scholarships).
- 40 SECTION 6. IC 21-13-2.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
 41 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 42 JULY 1, 2013]:

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1 **Chapter 2.5. Student Teaching Stipend for High-Need Fields**

2 **Sec. 1. The high need student teaching stipend fund is**
 3 **established to rectify the shortage of individuals who teach in a**
 4 **high need field.**

5 **Sec. 2. (a) The commission shall administer the fund.**

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

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

11 **Sec. 3. Money in the fund shall be used to provide stipends to**
 12 **individuals who apply for a stipend under section 4 of this chapter.**

13 **Sec. 4. An individual may apply for a stipend under this chapter**
 14 **if the individual:**

15 **(1) is a student who is enrolled in a course of study that would**
 16 **enable the student, upon graduation, to teach in an accredited**
 17 **school in Indiana in:**

18 **(A) special education; or**

19 **(B) a high need field;**

20 **(2) will participate in student teaching as part of the student's**
 21 **degree requirements;**

22 **(3) has earned a cumulative grade point average upon**
 23 **entering student teaching of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, or its**
 24 **equivalent as determined by the eligible institution; and**

25 **(4) meets any other minimum criteria established by the**
 26 **commission.**

27 **Sec. 5. (a) A student who has applied for the stipend under**
 28 **section 4 of this chapter and has been approved by the commission**
 29 **may request payment of the stipend after demonstrating that the**
 30 **student will engage in student teaching during the upcoming**
 31 **academic term.**

32 **(b) The stipend may not exceed:**

33 **(1) for a student with a cumulative grade point average of at**
 34 **least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale, or its equivalent as determined by the**
 35 **institution, based on the most recently concluded academic**
 36 **term, five thousand dollars (\$5,000); or**

37 **(2) for a student with a cumulative grade point average of**
 38 **between 3.0 and 3.5 on a 4.0 scale, or its equivalent as**
 39 **determined by the eligible institution, based on the most**
 40 **recently concluded academic term, four thousand dollars**
 41 **(\$4,000).**

42 **Sec. 6. (a) The amount of a stipend awarded under this chapter**

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1 may not be reduced because the student receives other scholarships
2 or forms of financial aid.

3 (b) Except as otherwise permitted by law, the amount of any
4 other state financial aid received by a student may not be reduced
5 because the student receives a stipend under this chapter.

6 (c) A student may concurrently receive a stipend under this
7 chapter and a stipend under IC 21-13-3.5.

8 **Sec. 7. The commission may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to
9 administer this chapter.**

10 SECTION 7. IC 21-13-3 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
11 2013]. (Nursing Scholarship Fund).

12 SECTION 8. IC 21-13-3.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
13 AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
14 JULY 1, 2013]:

15 **Chapter 3.5. Student Teaching Stipend for Minorities**

16 **Sec. 1. The minority student teaching stipend fund is established
17 to:**

- 18 (1) encourage and promote qualified minority individuals to
19 pursue a career in teaching in accredited schools in Indiana;
20 (2) enhance the number of individuals who may serve as role
21 models for minority students in Indiana; and
22 (3) rectify the shortage of minority teachers teaching in
23 accredited schools in Indiana.

24 **Sec. 2. (a) The commission shall administer the fund.**

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

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

30 **Sec. 3. Money in the fund shall be used to provide stipends to
31 individuals who apply for a stipend under section 4 of this chapter.**

32 **Sec. 4. An individual may apply for a stipend under this chapter
33 if the individual:**

- 34 (1) is a minority student;
35 (2) will participate in student teaching as part of the student's
36 degree requirements;
37 (3) has earned a cumulative grade point average upon
38 entering student teaching of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, or its
39 equivalent as determined by the eligible institution; and
40 (4) meets any other minimum criteria established by the
41 commission.

42 **Sec. 5. (a) A student who has applied for the stipend under**

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1 section 4 of this chapter and has been approved by the commission
 2 may request payment of the stipend after demonstrating that the
 3 student will engage in student teaching during the upcoming
 4 academic term.

5 (b) The stipend shall not exceed:

6 (1) for a student with a cumulative grade point average of at
 7 least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale, or its equivalent as determined by the
 8 institution, based on the most recently concluded academic
 9 term, five thousand dollars (\$5,000); or

10 (2) for a student with a cumulative grade point average of
 11 between 3.0 and 3.5 on a 4.0 scale, or its equivalent as
 12 determined by the eligible institution, based on the most
 13 recently concluded academic term, four thousand dollars
 14 (\$4,000).

15 Sec. 6. (a) The amount of a stipend awarded under this chapter
 16 may not be reduced because the student receives other scholarships
 17 or forms of financial aid.

18 (b) Except as otherwise permitted by law, the amount of any
 19 other state financial aid received by a student may not be reduced
 20 because the student receives a stipend under this chapter.

21 (c) A student may concurrently receive a stipend under this
 22 chapter and a stipend under IC 21-13-2.5.

23 Sec. 7. The commission may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to
 24 administer this chapter.

25 SECTION 9. IC 21-18.5-4-9, AS ADDED BY P.L.107-2012,
 26 SECTION 58, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 27 JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 9. The commission shall adopt rules under
 28 IC 4-22-2:

29 (1) to develop standards that govern the denial of assistance to
 30 higher education award applicants and recipients under
 31 IC 21-12-3-13;

32 (2) to implement IC 21-12-6, including:

33 (A) rules regarding the establishment of appeals procedures
 34 for individuals who become disqualified from the program
 35 under IC 21-12-6-9;

36 (B) notwithstanding IC 21-12-6-5, rules that may include
 37 students who are in grades other than grade 6, 7, or 8 as
 38 eligible students; and

39 (C) rules that allow a student described in IC 21-12-6-5(b) to
 40 become an eligible student while the student is in high school,
 41 if the student agrees to comply with the requirements set forth
 42 in IC 21-12-6-5(a)(4)(B) through IC 21-12-6-5(a)(4)(D) for

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- 1 not less than six (6) months after graduating from high school;
- 2 **and**
- 3 ~~(3)~~ to implement IC 21-13-2, including rules governing the
- 4 enforcement of the agreements under IC 21-13-2-5;
- 5 ~~(4)~~ that are necessary to carry out IC 21-13-3; including rules
- 6 governing the enforcement of the agreements made under
- 7 IC 21-13-3-5; and
- 8 ~~(5)~~ **(3)** to implement:
- 9 (A) IC 21-12-7; and
- 10 (B) IC 21-14-5.

11 SECTION 10. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013] **(a) On July 1, 2013,**

12 **the auditor of state shall transfer the balance that remained on**

13 **June 30, 2013, in the minority teacher or special education services**

14 **scholarship fund established under IC 21-13-2-1, as repealed by**

15 **this act, to the minority student teaching stipend fund established**

16 **by IC 21-13-3.5-1, as added by this act.**

17 **(b) On July 1, 2013, the auditor of state shall transfer the**

18 **balance that remained on June 30, 2013, in the nursing scholarship**

19 **fund established under IC 21-13-3-1, as repealed by this act, to the**

20 **high need student teaching stipend fund established by**

21 **IC 21-13-2.5-1, as added by this act.**

22 **(c) This SECTION expires July 1, 2014.**

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