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# HOUSE BILL No. 1398

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 20-34-4-2.

**Synopsis:** Meningitis immunizations. Requires that every child residing in Indiana who enters: (1) grade 6 shall be immunized; and (2) grade 11 shall receive an additional immunization; against meningitis. Provides that the state department of health may adopt rules to change the schedule for the immunization and additional immunizations against meningitis to comply with the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices. Removes the requirement that the state department of health adopt rules to require school age children to receive additional immunizations against meningitis.

**Effective:** July 1, 2013.

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January 22, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Health.

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First Regular Session 118th General Assembly (2013)

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

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 20-34-4-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.161-2009,  
2 SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3 JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 2. (a) Every child residing in Indiana shall be  
4 immunized against:  
5 (1) diphtheria;  
6 (2) pertussis (whooping cough);  
7 (3) tetanus;  
8 (4) measles;  
9 (5) rubella;  
10 (6) poliomyelitis; and  
11 (7) mumps.  
12 (b) Every child residing in Indiana who enters kindergarten or grade  
13 shall be immunized against hepatitis B and chicken pox.  
14 (c) **Every child residing in Indiana who enters:**  
15 (1) **grade 6 shall be immunized; and**  
16 (2) **grade 11 shall receive an additional immunization;**  
17 **against meningitis. However, the state department of health may**



1 **adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to change the schedule for**  
 2 **immunization and additional immunizations against meningitis to**  
 3 **comply with the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on**  
 4 **Immunization Practices of the federal Centers for Disease Control**  
 5 **and Prevention.**

6 ~~(c)~~ **(d)** The state department of health shall adopt rules under  
 7 IC 4-22-2 to require school age children to receive additional  
 8 immunizations against the following:

9 ~~(1)~~ **Meningitis.**

10 ~~(2)~~ **(1)** Varicella.

11 ~~(3)~~ **(2)** Pertussis (whooping cough).

12 The additional immunizations required under the rules shall include an  
 13 immunization booster if considered appropriate by the state  
 14 department.

15 ~~(d)~~ **(e)** The state department of health may expand or otherwise  
 16 modify the list of communicable diseases that require documentation  
 17 of immunity as medical information becomes available that would  
 18 warrant the expansion or modification in the interest of public health.

19 ~~(e)~~ **(f)** The state department of health shall adopt rules under  
 20 IC 4-22-2 specifying the:

21 (1) required immunizations;

22 (2) child's age for administering each vaccine;

23 (3) adequately immunizing doses; and

24 (4) method of documentation of proof of immunity.

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