

**Notice of Intent to Adopt a Rule**

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Under [IC 4-22-2-23](#), the Department of Education intends to adopt a rule concerning the following:

**OVERVIEW:** Adds provisions to establish requirements and procedures to implement the choice scholarship program under [IC 20-51-4](#). Comments and questions may be addressed to the Small Business Regulatory Coordinator for this rule. Statutory authority: [IC 20-51-4-7](#).

For purposes of [IC 4-22-2-28.1](#), the Small Business Regulatory Coordinator for this rule is:

Neil Ruddock, Director of Choice Programs  
Indiana Department of Education  
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(317) 232-6622  
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For purposes of [IC 4-22-2-28.1](#), the Small Business Ombudsman designated by [IC 5-28-17-5](#) is:

Eric P. Shields  
Indiana Economic Development Corporation  
One North Capitol, Suite 700  
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Resources available to regulated entities through the small business ombudsman include the ombudsman's duties stated in [IC 5-28-17-5](#), specifically [IC 5-28-17-5\(9\)](#), investigating and attempting to resolve any matter regarding compliance by a small business with a law, rule, or policy administered by a state agency, either as a party to a proceeding or as a mediator.

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