

## **IC 12-12-7**

### **Chapter 7. Services for Deaf and Hard of Hearing**

#### **IC 12-12-7-1**

##### **Unit defined**

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "unit" refers to the unit of services for the deaf and hard of hearing established by IC 12-12-1-2.

*As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.6.*

#### **IC 12-12-7-2**

##### **Services to be provided by unit**

Sec. 2. The unit shall do the following:

(1) Refer individuals who are deaf and individuals who are hard of hearing to the appropriate agencies to serve the individuals' needs.

(2) Coordinate state, local, and private efforts to serve individuals who are deaf and individuals who are hard of hearing.

*As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.6. Amended by P.L.99-2007, SEC.89.*

#### **IC 12-12-7-3**

##### **Telecommunications device for the deaf; development and implementation**

Sec. 3. The unit may develop and implement a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) telephone relay service that operates twenty-four (24) hours a day.

*As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.6.*

#### **IC 12-12-7-4**

##### **Contracts for the provision of services**

Sec. 4. The division may contract for the services required by this chapter.

*As added by P.L.2-1992, SEC.6.*

#### **IC 12-12-7-5**

##### **Board of interpreter standards**

Sec. 5. (a) As used in this section, "board" refers to the board of interpreter standards.

(b) The unit shall establish a board of interpreter standards.

(c) The unit and the board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 creating standards (including ethical standards and grievance procedures) for interpreters and an enforcement mechanism for the interpreter standards.

(d) Funding for the board must come solely from the unit's existing budget.

*As added by P.L.104-1996, SEC.3. Amended by P.L.272-1999, SEC.36.*