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HOUSE ENROLLED ACT No. 1005

AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

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

SECTION 1. IC 20-20-42.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]:

Chapter 42.2. Career Pathways and Mentorship Program

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "career pathway teacher" means a qualified teacher participating in a school corporation's program.

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "program" refers to the career pathways and mentorship program established by section 4 of this chapter.

Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "qualified teacher" refers to a teacher who:

(1) is rated as effective or highly effective in the teacher's most recent annual performance evaluation in a plan established under IC 20-28-11.5-4; and

(2) works in the classroom providing instruction and who is not instructional support personnel.

Sec. 4. (a) The career pathways and mentorship program is established. The program is established to provide for, in addition to base salary and other applicable supplements, differentiated pay for qualified teachers based on a qualified teacher's demonstrated effectiveness and additional responsibilities in advanced roles.
Differentiated pay made in accordance with a program approved by the state board under this chapter may not be collectively bargained. However, a discussion of the plan used as a basis for the program must be held under IC 20-29-6-7.

(b) The state board, in consultation with, and with assistance as necessary from, the department, shall administer the program.

Sec. 5. (a) A governing body may apply to the state board to participate in the program by submitting to the state board in a manner prescribed by the state board a proposed plan approved by the governing body that is developed by two (2) or more teachers and:

(1) a principal;
(2) a superintendent; or
(3) any combination of individuals described in either subdivision (1) or (2);

who are currently employed by the school corporation.

(b) The proposed plan must focus on the leadership capacity and commitment of the school corporation to develop career pathways and mentoring. In considering whether to approve a plan submitted, the state board, in consultation with, and with assistance as necessary from, the department, shall consider the following:

(1) Whether the plan increases salaries of career pathway teachers.
(2) Whether the plan improves overall teacher job development, leadership, or leadership design.
(3) Whether the plan improves the quality of classroom instruction.
(4) Whether the governing body's compensation plan works in conjunction with the plan's proposed program to improve the quality of classroom instruction.
(5) Whether the plan increases the attractiveness of teaching.
(6) Whether the plan offers structured induction and mentorship for newer teachers.
(7) Whether the plan encourages the recognition, effectiveness, and retention of high quality teachers, particularly in using high quality teachers in roles that maximize a high quality teacher's instructional influence and expertise with:
   (A) mentored teachers;
   (B) a team of teachers; or
   (C) students.
(8) Whether the plan is financially sustainable.

(c) A career pathways plan submitted under subsection (a) must enable qualified teachers to progress within their careers and become career pathway teachers by doing any of the following:

(1) Being assigned additional duties that include accountability for student growth across a team of teachers.
(2) Being assigned additional duties in developing curricula and instructional training across a team of teachers.
(3) Being assigned additional duties that include accountability as the teacher of record for more students.
(4) Being assigned additional duties in mentoring newer teachers.

(d) A career pathways plan submitted under subsection (a) must ensure that a career pathway teacher is afforded protected time for teaching.

(e) If a governing body includes a mentoring program in its proposed plan, the plan must focus on establishing a structured induction and mentorship program for newer teachers. If a structured induction and mentorship program is established under this chapter, a mentored teacher may not be paid less than a teacher with the same years of experience in accordance with the school corporation's salary schedule. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, a mentored teacher has the same rights under IC 20-28 and IC 20-29 as a teacher who does not participate in a program established under this chapter.

Sec. 6. If a school corporation establishes a structured induction and mentorship program under this chapter, the school corporation may enter into an agreement with a postsecondary educational institution to authorize the postsecondary educational institution to collaborate in the consideration and approval of a mentor to a newer teacher who attended the postsecondary educational institution.

Sec. 7. A plan submitted under section 5 of this chapter must include a means for the school corporation and the state board, in consultation with, and with assistance as necessary from, the department, to measure the success of a program. The plan must include measures that demonstrate the program's improvement with regard to:

(1) student growth;
(2) teacher retention;
(3) time management; and
(4) leadership or mentorship program design.

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Sec. 8. The state board, in consultation with, and with assistance as necessary from, the department, may require periodic reports from a school corporation to monitor the success of a program using the measures included in a plan under section 5 of this chapter.

Sec. 9. The state board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement this chapter.

SECTION 2. IC 20-20-43 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]:

Chapter 43. System for Teacher and Student Advancement Grant Fund and Program

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "fund" refers to the system for teacher and student advancement grant fund established by section 3 of this chapter.

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "program" refers to a teacher performance model program described in section 4 of this chapter.

Sec. 3. (a) The system for teacher and student advancement grant fund is established for the purpose of providing grants to school corporations to implement programs described in section 4 of this chapter.

(b) The fund consists of the following:

(1) Appropriations made by the general assembly.

(2) Gifts, grants, devises, or bequests made to the commission for higher education to achieve the purposes of the fund.

(c) The state board, in consultation with the department, shall administer the fund.

(d) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from money in the fund.

(e) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same manner as other public funds may be invested. Interest that accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the fund.

(f) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund.

Sec. 4. (a) After June 30, 2017, a school corporation may receive a grant to implement the System for Teacher and Student Advancement (TAP) teacher performance model program or a teacher performance model program that includes the implementation of all the following elements:

(1) Multiple career paths.

(2) Ongoing applied professional growth.
(3) Instruction focused accountability.

(4) Performance based compensation.

(b) To receive a grant, a school corporation shall apply for the grant in a manner prescribed by the state board in consultation with the department. The state board shall establish eligibility requirements. The amount of the grant may not exceed the costs incurred by the school corporation to implement the program. A school corporation may receive a matching grant from a corporation, foundation, or any other entity in addition to a grant awarded under this chapter.

SECTION 3. IC 20-26-2-1.3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]:

Sec. 1.3. "Expanded child protection index check" means:

(1) an inquiry with the department of child services as to whether an individual has been the subject of a substantiated report of child abuse or neglect and is listed in the child protection index established under IC 31-33-26-2;

(2) an inquiry with the child welfare agency of each state in which the individual has resided since the individual became eighteen (18) years of age as to whether there are any substantiated reports that the individual has committed child abuse or neglect; and

(3) for a certificated employee, an inquiry with the department of education or other entity that may issue a license to teach of each state in which the individual has resided since the individual became eighteen (18) years of age as to whether the individual has ever had a teaching license suspended or revoked.

SECTION 4. IC 20-26-5-10, AS AMENDED BY P.L.121-2009, SECTION 8, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]:

Sec. 10. (a) This section applies to a:

(1) school corporation;

(2) charter school; or

(3) a nonpublic school that employs one (1) or more employees.

(a) (b) A school corporation, including a charter school and an accredited nonpublic school, shall adopt a policy concerning criminal history information for individuals who:

(1) apply for:

(A) employment with the school corporation, charter school, or nonpublic school; or

(B) employment with an entity with which the school
corporation, charter school, or nonpublic school contracts
for services;
(2) seek to enter into a contract to provide services to the school
corporation, charter school, or nonpublic school; or
(3) are employed by an entity that seeks to enter into a contract to
provide services to the school corporation, charter school, or
nonpublic school;
if the individuals are likely to have direct, ongoing contact with
children within the scope of the individuals' employment.

(b)(c) A school corporation, including a charter school and an
accredited nonpublic school, shall administer a policy adopted under
this section uniformly for all individuals to whom the policy applies. A
policy adopted under this section must require that the school
corporation, charter school, or accredited nonpublic school conduct an
expanded criminal history check and an expanded child protection
index check concerning each applicant for noncertificated employment
or certificated employment before or not later than three (3) months
after the applicant's employment by the school corporation, charter
school, or accredited nonpublic school. Each individual hired for
noncertificated employment or certificated employment may be
required to provide a written consent for the school corporation, charter
school, or accredited nonpublic school to request an expanded criminal
history check and an expanded child protection index check concerning the individual before or not later than three (3) months after
the individual's employment by the school corporation or school. The
school corporation, charter school, or accredited nonpublic school may
require the individual to provide a set of fingerprints and pay any fees
required for the expanded criminal history check and expanded child
protection index check. Each applicant for noncertificated employment or certificated employment may be required at the time the
individual applies to answer questions concerning the individual's
expanded criminal history check and expanded child protection
index check. The failure to answer honestly questions asked under this
subsection is grounds for termination of the employee's employment.
The applicant is responsible for all costs associated with obtaining the
expanded criminal history check and expanded child protection
index check. An applicant may not be required by a school
corporation, charter school, or accredited nonpublic school to obtain an
expanded criminal history check or an expanded child protection
index check more than one (1) time during a five (5) year period.

c(d) Information obtained under this section must be used in
accordance with law.

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SECTION 5. IC 20-26-5-11, AS AMENDED BY P.L.233-2015, SECTION 100, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 11. (a) This section applies to:
(1) a school corporation;
(2) a charter school; and
(3) an entity:
   (A) with which the school corporation contracts for services; and
   (B) that has employees who are likely to have direct, ongoing contact with children within the scope of the employees' employment.
(b) A school corporation, charter school, or entity may use information obtained under section 10 of this chapter concerning an individual's conviction for one (1) of the following offenses as grounds to not employ or contract with the individual:
   (1) Murder (IC 35-42-1-1).
   (2) Causing suicide (IC 35-42-1-2).
   (3) Assisting suicide (IC 35-42-1-2.5).
   (4) Voluntary manslaughter (IC 35-42-1-3).
   (5) Reckless homicide (IC 35-42-1-5).
   (6) Battery (IC 35-42-2-1) unless ten (10) years have elapsed from the date the individual was discharged from probation, imprisonment, or parole, whichever is later.
   (7) Aggravated battery (IC 35-42-2-1.5).
   (8) Kidnapping (IC 35-42-3-2).
   (9) Criminal confinement (IC 35-42-3-3).
   (10) A sex offense under IC 35-42-4.
   (11) Carjacking (IC 35-42-5-2) (repealed).
   (12) Arson (IC 35-43-1-1), unless ten (10) years have elapsed from the date the individual was discharged from probation, imprisonment, or parole, whichever is later.
   (13) Incest (IC 35-46-1-3).
   (14) Neglect of a dependent as a Class B felony (for a crime committed before July 1, 2014) or a Level 1 felony or Level 3 felony (for a crime committed after June 30, 2014) (IC 35-46-1-4(b)(2)), unless ten (10) years have elapsed from the date the individual was discharged from probation, imprisonment, or parole, whichever is later.
   (15) Child selling (IC 35-46-1-4(d)).
   (16) Contributing to the delinquency of a minor (IC 35-46-1-8), unless ten (10) years have elapsed from the date the individual was discharged from probation, imprisonment, or parole,
whichever is later.

(17) An offense involving a weapon under IC 35-47 or IC 35-47.5, unless ten (10) years have elapsed from the date the individual was discharged from probation, imprisonment, or parole, whichever is later.

(18) An offense relating to controlled substances under IC 35-48-4, unless ten (10) years have elapsed from the date the individual was discharged from probation, imprisonment, or parole, whichever is later.

(19) An offense relating to material or a performance that is harmful to minors or obscene under IC 35-49-3, unless ten (10) years have elapsed from the date the individual was discharged from probation, imprisonment, or parole, whichever is later.

(20) An offense relating to operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated under IC 9-30-5, unless five (5) years have elapsed from the date the individual was discharged from probation, imprisonment, or parole, whichever is later.

(21) An offense that is substantially equivalent to any of the offenses listed in this subsection in which the judgment of conviction was entered under the law of any other jurisdiction.

(c) An individual employed by a school corporation, charter school, or an entity described in subsection (a) shall notify the governing body of the school corporation, if during the course of the individual's employment, the individual is convicted in Indiana or another jurisdiction of an offense described in subsection (b).

(d) A school corporation, charter school, or entity may use information obtained under section 10 of this chapter concerning an individual being the subject of a substantiated report of child abuse or neglect as grounds to not employ or contract with the individual.

(e) An individual employed by a school corporation, charter school, or entity described in subsection (a) shall notify the governing body of the school corporation, if during the course of the individual's employment, the individual is the subject of a substantiated report of child abuse or neglect.

SECTION 6. IC 20-26-5-11.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 11.5. (a) As used in this section, "school" includes:

(1) a charter school, as defined in IC 20-24-1-4;
(2) a nonpublic school, as defined in IC 20-18-2-12, that employs one (1) or more employees;
(3) a public school, as defined in IC 20-18-2-15(1); and
(4) an entity in another state that carries out a function
similar to an entity described in subdivisions (1) through (3).
(b) Notwithstanding any confidentiality agreement entered into
by a school and an employee of the school, a school that receives a
request for an employment reference, from another school, for a
current or former employee, shall disclose to the requesting school
any incident known by the school in which the employee committed
an act resulting in a substantiated report of abuse or neglect under
IC 31-6 (before its repeal) or IC 31-33.
(c) A school may not disclose information under this section
that:
(1) identifies a student; or
(2) is confidential student information under the federal
Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (20 U.S.C. 1232g et
seq.).
(d) A confidentiality agreement entered into or amended after
June 30, 2016, by a school and an employee is not enforceable
against the school if the employee committed an act resulting in a
substantiated report of abuse or neglect under IC 31-6 (before its
repeal) or IC 31-33.

SECTION 7. IC 20-28-5-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.6-2012,
SECTION 135, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 3. (a) The department shall
designate the grade point average required for each type of license.
(b) The department shall determine details of licensing not provided
in this chapter, including requirements regarding the following:
(1) The conversion of one (1) type of license into another.
(2) The accreditation of teacher education schools and
departments.
(3) The exchange and renewal of licenses.
(4) The endorsement of another state's license.
(5) The acceptance of credentials from teacher education
institutions of another state.
(6) The academic and professional preparation for each type of
license.
(7) The granting of permission to teach a high school subject area
related to the subject area for which the teacher holds a license.
(8) The issuance of licenses on credentials.
(9) The type of license required for each school position.
(10) The size requirements for an elementary school requiring a
licensed principal.

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(11) Any other related matters.

The department shall establish at least one (1) system for renewing a teaching license that does not require a graduate degree.

(c) This subsection does not apply to an applicant for a substitute teacher license or to an individual granted a license under section 18 of this chapter. After June 30, 2011, the department may not issue an initial practitioner license at any grade level to an applicant for an initial practitioner license unless the applicant shows evidence that the applicant:

(1) has successfully completed training approved by the department in:
   (A) cardiopulmonary resuscitation that includes a test demonstration on a mannequin;
   (B) removing a foreign body causing an obstruction in an airway;
   (C) the Heimlich maneuver; and
   (D) the use of an automated external defibrillator;
(2) holds a valid certification in each of the procedures described in subdivision (1) issued by:
   (A) the American Red Cross;
   (B) the American Heart Association; or
   (C) a comparable organization or institution approved by the advisory board; or
(3) has physical limitations that make it impracticable for the applicant to complete a course or certification described in subdivision (1) or (2).

The training in this subsection applies to a teacher (as defined in IC 20-18-2-22(b)).

(d) This subsection does not apply to an applicant for a substitute teacher license or to an individual granted a license under section 18 of this chapter. After June 30, 2013, the department may not issue an initial teaching license at any grade level to an applicant for an initial teaching license unless the applicant shows evidence that the applicant has successfully completed education and training on the prevention of child suicide and the recognition of signs that a student may be considering suicide.

(e) This subsection does not apply to an applicant for a substitute teacher license. After June 30, 2012, the department may not issue a teaching license renewal at any grade level to an applicant unless the applicant shows evidence that the applicant:

(1) has successfully completed training approved by the department in:

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(A) cardiopulmonary resuscitation that includes a test demonstration on a mannequin;
(B) removing a foreign body causing an obstruction in an airway;
(C) the Heimlich maneuver; and
(D) the use of an automated external defibrillator;

(2) holds a valid certification in each of the procedures described in subdivision (1) issued by:
(A) the American Red Cross;
(B) the American Heart Association; or
(C) a comparable organization or institution approved by the advisory board; or

(3) has physical limitations that make it impracticable for the applicant to complete a course or certification described in subdivision (1) or (2).

(f) The department shall periodically publish bulletins regarding:
(1) the details described in subsection (b);
(2) information on the types of licenses issued;
(3) the rules governing the issuance of each type of license; and
(4) other similar matters.

SECTION 8. IC 20-28-5-12, AS AMENDED BY P.L.6-2012, SECTION 136, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 12. (a) Subsection (b) does not apply to an individual who:

(1) held an Indiana limited, reciprocal, or standard teaching license on June 30, 1985; or

(2) is granted a license under section 18 of this chapter.

(b) The department may not grant an initial practitioner license to an individual unless the individual has demonstrated proficiency in the following areas on a written examination or through other procedures prescribed by the department:

(1) Basic reading, writing, and mathematics.
(2) Pedagogy.
(3) Knowledge of the areas in which the individual is required to have a license to teach.
(4) If the individual is seeking to be licensed as an elementary school teacher, comprehensive scientifically based reading instruction skills, including:
   (A) phonemic awareness;
   (B) phonics instruction;
   (C) fluency;
   (D) vocabulary; and
(E) comprehension.

(c) An individual's license examination score may not be disclosed by the department without the individual's consent unless specifically required by state or federal statute or court order.

(d) The state board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to do the following:

(1) Adopt, validate, and implement the examination or other procedures required by subsection (b).
(2) Establish examination scores indicating proficiency.
(3) Otherwise carry out the purposes of this section.

(e) Subject to section 18 of this chapter, the state board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 establishing the conditions under which the requirements of this section may be waived for an individual holding a valid teacher's license issued by another state.

SECTION 9. IC 20-28-5-18 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 18. (a) This section applies to an individual who:

(1) holds a valid teaching license issued by another state (excluding a teaching license equivalent to an Indiana temporary or emergency teaching license) in the same content area or areas for which the individual is applying for a license in Indiana; and
(2) was required to pass a content licensure test to obtain the license described in subdivision (1).

(b) Notwithstanding sections 3 and 12 of this chapter, the department shall grant one (1) of the following licenses to an individual described in subsection (a):

(1) If the individual has less than three (3) years of full-time teaching experience, an initial practitioner's license.
(2) If the individual has at least three (3) years of full-time teaching experience, a practitioner's license.

(c) An individual who is granted a license under this section shall comply with section 3(c) and 3(d) of this chapter not later than twelve (12) months after the date the individual's license is issued.

SECTION 10. IC 20-28-9-1.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.213-2015, SECTION 179, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 1.5. (a) This subsection governs salary increases for a teacher employed by a school corporation. Compensation attributable to additional degrees or graduate credits earned before the effective date of a local compensation plan created under this chapter before July 1, 2015, shall continue for school years
beginning after June 30, 2015. Compensation attributable to additional degrees for which a teacher has started course work before July 1, 2011, and completed course work before September 2, 2014, shall also continue for school years beginning after June 30, 2015. For school years beginning after June 30, 2015, a school corporation may provide a supplemental payment to a teacher in excess of the salary specified in the school corporation's compensation plan if the teacher 
\textbf{teaches an advanced placement course or} has earned a master's degree from an accredited postsecondary educational institution in a content area directly related to the subject matter of:

(1) a dual credit course; or
(2) another course;

taught by the teacher. In addition, a supplemental payment may be made to an elementary school teacher who earns a master's degree in math or reading and literacy. A supplement provided under this subsection is not subject to collective bargaining, but a discussion of the supplement must be held. Such a supplement is in addition to any increase permitted under subsection (b).

(b) Increases or increments in a local salary range must be based upon a combination of the following factors:

(1) A combination of the following factors taken together may account for not more than thirty-three percent (33\%) of the calculation used to determine a teacher's increase or increment:
   (A) The number of years of a teacher's experience.
   (B) The attainment of either:
      (i) additional content area degrees beyond the requirements for employment; or
      (ii) additional content area degrees and credit hours beyond the requirements for employment, if required under an agreement bargained under IC 20-29.
   (2) The results of an evaluation conducted under IC 20-28-11.5.
   (3) The assignment of instructional leadership roles, including the responsibility for conducting evaluations under IC 20-28-11.5.
   (4) The academic needs of students in the school corporation.

(c) \textbf{Except as provided in subsection (d),} a teacher rated ineffective or improvement necessary under IC 20-28-11.5 may not receive any raise or increment for the following year if the teacher's employment contract is continued. The amount that would otherwise have been allocated for the salary increase of teachers rated ineffective or improvement necessary shall be allocated for compensation of all teachers rated effective and highly effective based on the criteria in subsection (b).

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(d) Subsection (c) does not apply to a teacher in the first two (2) full school years that the teacher provides instruction to students in elementary school or high school. If a teacher provides instruction to students in elementary school or high school in another state, any full school year, or its equivalent in the other state, that the teacher provides instruction counts toward the two (2) full school years under this subsection.

(e) A teacher who does not receive a raise or increment under subsection (c) may file a request with the superintendent or superintendent's designee not later than five (5) days after receiving notice that the teacher received a rating of ineffective. The teacher is entitled to a private conference with the superintendent or superintendent's designee.

(f) The department shall publish a model compensation plan with a model salary range that a school corporation may adopt. Before July 1, 2015, the department may modify the model compensation plan, as needed, to comply with subsection (g).

(g) Each school corporation shall submit its local compensation plan to the department. For a school year beginning after June 30, 2015, a local compensation plan must specify the range for teacher salaries. The department shall publish the local compensation plans on the department's Internet web site.

(h) The department shall report any noncompliance with this section to the state board.

(i) The state board shall take appropriate action to ensure compliance with this section.

(j) This chapter may not be construed to require or allow a school corporation to decrease the salary of any teacher below the salary the teacher was earning on or before July 1, 2015, if that decrease would be made solely to conform to the new compensation plan.

(k) After June 30, 2011, all rights, duties, or obligations established under IC 20-28-9-1 before its repeal are considered rights, duties, or obligations under this section.

SECTION 11. IC 20-29-6-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.213-2015, SECTION 189, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 7. A school employer shall discuss with the exclusive representative of certificated employees the following items:

(1) Curriculum development and revision.
(2) Selection of curricular materials.
(3) Teaching methods.
(4) Hiring, evaluation, promotion, demotion, transfer, assignment,
and retention of certificated employees.
(5) Student discipline.
(6) Expulsion or supervision of students.
(7) Pupil/teacher ratio.
(8) Class size or budget appropriations.
(9) Safety issues for students and employees in the workplace, except those items required to be kept confidential by state or federal law.
(10) Hours.
(11) Funding for a plan for a remediation program for any subset of students enrolled in kindergarten through grade 12.
(12) The following nonbargainable items under IC 20-43-10-3:
   (A) Performance grants.
   (B) Individual performance stipends to teachers.
   (C) Additions to base salary based on performance stipends.
(13) The pre-evaluation planning session required under IC 20-28-11.5-4.
(14) The superintendent's report to the governing body concerning staff performance evaluations required under IC 20-28-11.5-9.
(15) A career pathways and mentorship plan established under IC 20-20-42.2.

SECTION 12. IC 20-43-7-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.205-2013, SECTION 290, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 1. (a) In addition to the amount a school corporation is entitled to receive in basic tuition support, each school corporation is entitled to receive a grant for special education programs for the state fiscal year. Subject to subsections (b) and (c), the amount of the special education grant is based on the count of eligible pupils enrolled in special education programs on December 1 of the preceding state fiscal year in:
   (1) the school corporation; or
   (2) a transferee corporation.

   (b) Before February 1 of each calendar year, the department shall determine the result of:

   (1) the total amount of the special education grant that would have been received by the school corporation during the months of July, August, September, October, November, and December of the preceding calendar year and January of the current calendar year if the grant had been based on the count of students with disabilities that was made on the immediately preceding December 1; minus
   (2) the total amount of the special education grant received by the
school corporation during the months of July, August, September, October, November, and December of the preceding calendar year and January of the current calendar year.

If the result determined under this subsection is positive, the school corporation shall receive an additional special education grant distribution in February equal to the result determined under this subsection. If the result determined under this subsection is negative, the special education grant distributions that otherwise would be received by the school corporation in February, March, April, and May shall be proportionately reduced so that the total reduction is equal to the result determined under this subsection.

(c) The special education grant distributions made in February, March, April, May, and June of a calendar year shall be based on the count of students with disabilities that was made on the immediately preceding December 1.

(d) After June 30, 2016, in addition to the December 1 count, a second count of eligible pupils enrolled in special education programs shall be conducted. The count must be in the spring semester on a date fixed by the state board. The spring count of eligible students shall be used for informational purposes and is not used to calculate grant amounts under this chapter.

SECTION 13. IC 20-43-7-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2006, SECTION 166, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 5. (a) In a school corporation's cumulative count of pupils in homebound programs, a school corporation shall count each pupil who received homebound instruction up to and including December 1 of the current year plus each pupil who received homebound instruction after December 1 of the prior school year.

(b) This subsection applies to a state fiscal year starting after June 30, 2016. In addition to the cumulative count described in subsection (a), a school corporation shall conduct a cumulative count of pupils in homebound programs for informational purposes and is not used to calculate grants under this chapter. In a school corporation's informational cumulative count of pupils in homebound programs, a school corporation shall count each pupil who received homebound instruction:

1. for the December 1 count, up to and including the December 1 count date of the current year plus each pupil who received homebound instruction after the spring count date of the prior school year; and
2. for the spring count, up to and including the spring count
date of the current year plus each pupil who received homebound instruction after the December 1 count date of the current school year.

(b) (c) A school corporation may include a pupil in the school corporation's cumulative count of pupils in homebound programs even if the pupil also is included in the school corporation's:

(1) nonduplicated count of pupils in programs for severe disabilities;
(2) nonduplicated count of pupils in programs for mild and moderate disabilities; or
(3) duplicated count of pupils in programs for communication disorders.

SECTION 14. IC 20-43-15 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017]:

Chapter 15. Dual Credit Teacher Stipend Matching Grant Fund

Sec. 1. The following definitions apply throughout this chapter:

(1) "Eligible teacher" refers to a teacher who:
   (A) teaches a dual credit class; and
   (B) either:
      (i) holds; or
      (ii) is in the process of obtaining;
      a master's degree that includes at least eighteen (18) credit hours in the subject area of the dual credit class the teacher teaches.

(2) "Fund" refers to the dual credit teacher stipend matching grant fund established by section 2 of this chapter.

Sec. 2. (a) The dual credit teacher stipend matching grant fund is established to provide matching grants to school corporations to provide stipends for eligible teachers.

(b) The department shall administer the fund.

(c) The fund consists of the following:

   (1) Appropriations by the general assembly.
   (2) Interest deposited in the fund under subsection (d).
   (3) Money deposited in or transferred to the fund from any other source.

   (d) The treasurer of state shall invest money in the fund not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same manner as other public money may be invested. Interest that accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the fund.

Sec. 3. A school corporation may apply to the department for a grant from the fund for stipends for eligible teachers. The
application must be in the form and manner prescribed by the
department, and submitted by the date set by the state board.

Sec. 4. A school corporation's application for a grant from the
fund must specify the amount of money that the school corporation
is committing to contribute to the stipends, with a maximum
commitment of two thousand dollars ($2,000) for each teacher
stipend.

Sec. 5. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), if the
department approves a grant to a school corporation under this
chapter, the amount of the grant from the fund is equal to the
amount that the school corporation commits to contribute to the
stipends.

(b) If the number of requests for grants from the fund exceeds
the amount of money in the fund, the department shall
proportionately reduce the amount of each grant from the fund.

(c) The department shall annually distribute grants to school
corporations by a date determined by the state board.

Sec. 6. The state board and department may adopt guidelines to
implement this chapter.

SECTION 15. IC 20-51-4-1, AS AMENDED BY HEA 1219-2016,
SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 1. (a) Except as provided under subsections (b)
through (h), it is the intent of the general assembly to honor the
autonomy of nonpublic schools that choose to become eligible schools
under this chapter. A nonpublic eligible school is not an agent of the
state or federal government, and therefore:

(1) the department or any other state agency may not in any way
regulate the educational program of a nonpublic eligible school
that accepts a choice scholarship under this chapter, including the
regulation of curriculum content, religious instruction or
activities, classroom teaching, teacher and staff hiring
requirements, and other activities carried out by the eligible
school;

(2) the creation of the choice scholarship program does not
expand the regulatory authority of the state, the state's officers, or
a school corporation to impose additional regulation of nonpublic
schools beyond those necessary to enforce the requirements of the
choice scholarship program in place on July 1, 2011; and

(3) a nonpublic eligible school shall be given the freedom to
provide for the educational needs of students without
governmental control.

(b) This section applies to the following writings, documents, and
records:
(2) The national motto.
(3) The national anthem.
(4) The Pledge of Allegiance.
(6) The Declaration of Independence.
(7) The Mayflower Compact.
(8) The Federalist Papers.
(9) "Common Sense" by Thomas Paine.
(10) The writings, speeches, documents, and proclamations of the founding fathers and presidents of the United States.
(11) United States Supreme Court decisions.
(12) Executive orders of the presidents of the United States.
(13) Frederick Douglass's speech at Rochester, New York, on July 5, 1852, entitled "What to the Slave is the Fourth of July?".
(14) "Appeal" by David Walker.

c) An eligible school may allow a principal or teacher in the eligible school to read or post in the school building or classroom or at a school event any excerpt or part of a writing, document, or record listed in subsection (b).

d) An eligible school may not permit the content based censorship of American history or heritage based on religious references in a writing, document, or record listed in subsection (b).

e) A library, a media center, or an equivalent facility that an eligible school maintains for student use must contain in the facility's permanent collection at least one (1) copy of each writing or document listed in subsection (b)(1) through (b)(9).

f) An eligible school shall do the following:
(1) Allow a student to include a reference to a writing, document, or record listed in subsection (b) in a report or other work product.
(2) May not punish the student in any way, including a reduction in grade, for using the reference.
(3) Display the United States flag in each classroom.
(4) Provide a daily opportunity for students to voluntarily recite the Pledge of Allegiance in each classroom or on school grounds. A student is exempt from participation in the Pledge of Allegiance and may not be required to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance if:
(A) the student chooses to not participate; or
(B) the student's parent chooses to have the student not participate.

(5) Provide instruction on the constitutions of:
   (A) Indiana; and
   (B) the United States.

(6) For an eligible school that enrolls students in grades 6 through 12, provide within the two (2) weeks preceding a general election five (5) full recitation periods of class discussion concerning:
   (A) the system of government in Indiana and in the United States;
   (B) methods of voting;
   (C) party structures;
   (D) election laws; and
   (E) the responsibilities of citizen participation in government and in elections.

(7) Require that each teacher employed by the eligible school present instruction with special emphasis on:
   (A) honesty;
   (B) morality;
   (C) courtesy;
   (D) obedience to law;
   (E) respect for the national flag and the Constitution of the State of Indiana and the Constitution of the United States;
   (F) respect for parents and the home;
   (G) the dignity and necessity of honest labor; and
   (H) other lessons of a steadying influence that tend to promote and develop an upright and desirable citizenry.

(8) Provide good citizenship instruction that stresses the nature and importance of the following:
   (A) Being honest and truthful.
   (B) Respecting authority.
   (C) Respecting the property of others.
   (D) Always doing the student's personal best.
   (E) Not stealing.
   (F) Possessing the skills (including methods of conflict resolution) necessary to live peaceably in society and not resorting to violence to settle disputes.
   (G) Taking personal responsibility for obligations to family and community.
   (H) Taking personal responsibility for earning a livelihood.
   (I) Treating others the way the student would want to be
treated.
(J) Respecting the national flag, the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of Indiana.
(K) Respecting the student's parents and home.
(L) Respecting the student's self.
(M) Respecting the rights of others to have their own views and religious beliefs.

(9) Provide instruction in the following studies:
(A) Language arts, including:
(i) English;
(ii) grammar;
(iii) composition;
(iv) speech; and
(v) second languages.
(B) Mathematics.
(C) Social studies and citizenship, including the:
(i) constitutions;
(ii) governmental systems; and
(iii) histories;
of Indiana and the United States, including a study of the Holocaust and the role religious extremism played in the events of September 11, 2001, in each high school United States history course.
(D) Sciences.
(E) Fine arts, including music and art.
(F) Health education, physical fitness, safety, and the effects of alcohol, tobacco, drugs, and other substances on the human body.

(g) An eligible school charter school or public school shall not teach the violent overthrow of the government of the United States.
(h) Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the requirements of IC 20-30-5.

SECTION 16. IC 20-51-4-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.6-2012, SECTION 144, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 3. (a) An eligible school may not discriminate on the basis of race, color, or national origin.
(b) An eligible school shall abide by the school's written admission policy fairly and without discrimination with regard to students who:
   (1) apply for; or
   (2) are awarded;
scholarships under this chapter.
(c) If the number of applicants for enrollment in an eligible school

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under a choice scholarship exceeds the number of choice scholarships available to the eligible school, the eligible school must draw at random in a public meeting the applications of applicants who are entitled to a choice scholarship from among the applicants who meet the requirements for admission to the eligible school.

(d) The department shall make random visits to at least five percent (5%) of eligible schools and charter schools during a particular school year to verify that the eligible school or charter school complies with the provisions of this chapter and the Constitutions of the State of Indiana and the United States.

(e) Each eligible school public school, and charter school shall grant the department reasonable access to its premises, including access to the school's grounds, buildings, and property.

(f) Each year the principal of each eligible school shall certify under penalties of perjury to the department that the eligible school is complying with the requirements of this chapter. The department shall develop a process for eligible schools to follow to make certifications.

SECTION 17. IC 20-51-4-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.213-2015, SECTION 233, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017]: Sec. 4. (a) The amount an eligible choice scholarship student is entitled to receive under this chapter for a school year is equal to the following:

(1) The least of the following:

(A) The sum of the tuition, transfer tuition, and fees required for enrollment or attendance of the eligible choice scholarship student at the eligible school selected by the eligible choice scholarship student for a school year that the eligible choice scholarship student (or the parent of the eligible choice scholarship student) would otherwise be obligated to pay to the eligible school.

(B) An amount equal to:

(i) ninety percent (90%) of the state tuition support amount determined under section 5 of this chapter if the eligible choice scholarship student is a member of a household with an annual income of not more than the amount required for the eligible choice scholarship student to qualify for the federal free or reduced price lunch program; and

(ii) fifty percent (50%) of the state tuition support amount determined under section 5 of this chapter if the eligible choice scholarship student is a member of a household with an annual income of, in the case of an individual not described in section 2.5 of this chapter, not more than one
hundred fifty percent (150%) of the amount required for the eligible choice scholarship student to qualify for the federal free or reduced price lunch program or, in the case of an individual described in section 2.5 of this chapter, not more than two hundred percent (200%) of the amount required for the eligible choice scholarship student to qualify for the federal free or reduced price lunch program.

(2) In addition, if the eligible choice scholarship student has been identified as eligible for special education services under IC 20-35 and the eligible school provides the necessary special education or related services to the eligible choice scholarship student, any amount that a school corporation would receive under IC 20-43-7 for the eligible choice scholarship student if the eligible choice scholarship student attended the school corporation. However, if an eligible choice scholarship student changes schools during the school year after the December 1 count under IC 20-43-7-1 of eligible pupils enrolled in special education programs and the eligible choice scholarship student enrolls in a different eligible school, any choice scholarship amounts paid to the eligible choice scholarship student for the remainder of the school year after the eligible choice scholarship student enrolls in the different eligible school shall not include amounts that a school corporation would receive under IC 20-43-7 for the eligible choice scholarship student if the eligible choice scholarship student attended the school corporation.

(b) The amount an eligible choice scholarship student is entitled to receive under this chapter if the eligible student applies for the choice scholarship under section 7(e)(2) of this chapter shall be reduced on a prorated basis in the manner prescribed in section 6 of this chapter.

SECTION 18. IC 20-51-4-4.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.26-2014, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017]: Sec. 4.5. (a) If an eligible choice scholarship student:

(1) who attends school at a choice scholarship school; and

(2) who is eligible to receive special education funds under IC 20-43-7;

chooses to receive special education services at a school corporation required to provide special education services to the eligible choice scholarship student under 511 IAC 7-34-1, the special education funds under IC 20-43-7 for that student will be made available to the school corporation where the student receives special education services.

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(b) Notwithstanding 511 IAC 7-34-1(d)(4), a public school is not required to make available special education and related services to an eligible choice scholarship student if the eligible choice scholarship student receives funds under section 4(2) 4(a)(2) of this chapter and the special education services are provided to the eligible choice scholarship student by the eligible school. This subsection may not be construed as a restriction or limitation on any of the rights, benefits, and protections granted to an individual under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004 (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.).

(c) A school corporation may not include an eligible choice scholarship student who receives an amount under section 4(2) 4(a)(2) of this chapter in the school corporation's count under IC 20-43-7.

SECTION 19. IC 20-51-4-4.6, AS ADDED BY P.L.211-2013, SECTION 13, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017]: Sec. 4.6. (a) The state board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2, including emergency rules adopted in the manner provided under IC 4-22-2-37.1, for the provision of special education or related services to an eligible choice scholarship student who receives an amount under section 4(2) 4(a)(2) of this chapter. The rules adopted under this section shall include annual reporting requirements, monitoring, and consequences for noncompliance by an eligible school.

(b) An emergency rule adopted by the state board under this section expires on the earliest of the following dates:

1. The expiration date stated in the emergency rule.
2. The date the emergency rule is amended or repealed by a later rule adopted under IC 4-22-2-22.5 through IC 4-22-2-36 or under IC 4-22-2-37.1.
3. One (1) year after the date the emergency rule is adopted.

SECTION 20. IC 20-51-4-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.211-2013, SECTION 14, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017]: Sec. 5. The state tuition support amount to be used in section 4(1)(B) 4(a)(1)(B) of this chapter for an eligible choice scholarship student is the amount determined under the last STEP of the following formula:

STEP ONE: Determine the school corporation in which the eligible choice scholarship student has legal settlement.

STEP TWO: Determine the amount of state tuition support that the school corporation identified under STEP ONE is eligible to receive under IC 20-43 for the state fiscal year in which the current school year begins, excluding amounts provided for special education grants under IC 20-43-7 and career and
technical education grants under IC 20-43-8.

STEP THREE: Determine the result of:
(A) the STEP TWO amount; divided by
(B) the current ADM (as defined in IC 20-43-1-10) for the school corporation identified under STEP ONE for the state fiscal year used in STEP TWO.

SECTION 21. IC 20-51-4-6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.211-2013, SECTION 15, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017]: Sec. 6. (a) If an eligible choice scholarship student enrolls in an eligible school for less than an entire school year, the choice scholarship provided under this chapter for that school year shall be reduced on a prorated basis to reflect the shorter school term.

(b) An eligible choice scholarship student is entitled to only one (1) choice scholarship for each school year. If the eligible choice scholarship student leaves the eligible school for which the eligible choice scholarship student was awarded a choice scholarship and enrolls in another eligible school, the eligible choice scholarship student is responsible for the payment of any tuition required for the remainder of that school year.

SECTION 22. IC 20-51-4-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.239-2015, SECTION 13, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017]: Sec. 7. (a) The department shall administer this chapter.

(b) The department shall approve an application for an eligible school within fifteen (15) days after the date the school requests to participate in the choice scholarship program.

(c) The department shall approve an application for a choice scholarship student within fifteen (15) days after the date the student requests to participate in the choice scholarship program.

(d) Each year, at a minimum, the department shall accept applications from March 1 through September 1 for

(1) choice scholarship students; or
(2) eligible schools

for the upcoming school year.

(e) Each year, at a minimum, the department shall accept applications for choice scholarship students from:

(1) March 1 through September 1 for the upcoming school year; and

(2) September 2 through January 15 for the spring semester of the current school year.

(f) This chapter may not be construed in a manner that would impose additional requirements for approving an application for an
eligible school placed in a "null" or "no letter grade" category established under IC 20-31-8-3(b).

(‡) (g) The department shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement this chapter.

(‡) (h) The department may adopt emergency rules under IC 4-22-2-37.1 to implement this chapter.

SECTION 23. IC 20-51-4-10, AS AMENDED BY P.L.211-2013, SECTION 17, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 10. The department shall distribute choice scholarships at least once each semester, or at equivalent intervals. The department may distribute the choice scholarship to the eligible choice scholarship student (or the parent of the eligible choice scholarship student) for the purpose of paying the educational costs described in section 4(1)(A) of this chapter (before July 1, 2017) or in section 4(a)(1)(A) of this chapter (after June 30, 2017). For the distribution to be valid, the distribution must be endorsed by both the eligible choice scholarship student (or the parent of the eligible choice scholarship student) and the eligible school providing educational services to the eligible choice scholarship student must annually sign a form, prescribed by the department to endorse distributions for the particular school year. If:

(1) an eligible choice scholarship student who is receiving a choice scholarship for a school year changes schools during the school year after signing the form to endorse distributions for that school year; and

(2) the eligible choice scholarship student enrolls in a different eligible school that has not signed the form to endorse distributions for that school year;

the eligible choice scholarship student (or the parent of the eligible choice scholarship student) and the eligible school must sign the form prescribed by the department to endorse distributions for the particular school year.

SECTION 24. IC 31-33-5-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 2. (a) If an individual is required to make a report under this article in the individual's capacity as a member of the staff of a medical or other public or private institution, school, facility, or agency, the individual shall immediately notify the individual in charge of the institution, school, facility, or agency or the designated agent of the individual in charge of the institution, school, facility, or agency.

(b) An individual notified under subsection (a) shall immediately report or cause a report to be made to:

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(1) the department; or
(2) the local law enforcement agency.

SECTION 25. IC 35-50-10 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]:

Chapter 10. Criminal Conviction Information for Teachers

Sec. 1. (a) If an individual is a teacher in a primary or secondary school, including a public or nonpublic school, and is convicted of:

1. kidnapping (IC 35-42-3-2);
2. criminal confinement (IC 35-42-3-3);
3. rape (IC 35-42-4-1);
4. criminal deviate conduct (IC 35-42-4-2) (before its repeal);
5. child molesting (IC 35-42-4-3);
6. child exploitation (IC 35-42-4-4(b));
7. vicarious sexual gratification (IC 35-42-4-5);
8. child solicitation (IC 35-42-4-6);
9. child seduction (IC 35-42-4-7);
10. sexual misconduct with a minor (IC 35-42-4-9);
11. incest (IC 35-46-1-3);
12. dealing in or manufacturing cocaine or a narcotic drug (IC 35-48-4-1);
13. dealing in methamphetamine (IC 35-48-4-1.1);
14. dealing in a schedule I, II, or III controlled substance (IC 35-48-4-2);
15. dealing in a schedule IV controlled substance (IC 35-48-4-3);
16. dealing in a schedule V controlled substance (IC 35-48-4-4);
17. dealing in a counterfeit substance (IC 35-48-4-5);
18. dealing in marijuana, hash oil, hashish, or salvia as a felony (IC 35-48-4-10);
19. dealing in a synthetic drug or synthetic drug lookalike substance (IC 35-48-4-10.5, or IC 35-48-4-10(b) before its amendment in 2013);
20. possession of child pornography (IC 35-42-4-4(c));
21. homicide (IC 35-42-1);
22. voluntary manslaughter (IC 35-42-1-3);
23. reckless homicide (IC 35-42-1-5);
24. battery (IC 35-42-2-1) as:
   (A) a Class A felony (for a crime committed before July 1, 2014) or a Level 2 felony (for a crime committed after June 30, 2014);
(B) a Class B felony (for a crime committed before July 1, 2014) or a Level 3 felony (for a crime committed after June 30, 2014); or
(C) a Class C felony (for a crime committed before July 1, 2014) or a Level 5 felony (for a crime committed after June 30, 2014);

(25) aggravated battery (IC 35-42-2-1.5);
(26) robbery (IC 35-42-5-1);
(27) carjacking (IC 35-42-5-2) (before its repeal);
(28) arson as a Class A felony or Class B felony (for a crime committed before July 1, 2014) or as a Level 2, Level 3, or Level 4 felony (for a crime committed after June 30, 2014) (IC 35-43-1-1(a));
(29) burglary as a Class A felony or Class B felony (for a crime committed before July 1, 2014) or as a Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, or Level 4 felony (for a crime committed after June 30, 2014) (IC 35-43-2-1);

(30) attempt under IC 35-41-5-1 to commit an offense listed in this subsection; or

(31) conspiracy under IC 35-41-5-2 to commit an offense listed in this subsection;

the judge who presided over the trial or accepted a plea agreement shall give written notice of the conviction to the state superintendent and the chief administrative officer of the primary or secondary school, including a public or nonpublic school, or, if the individual is employed in a public school, the superintendent of the school district in which the individual is employed.

(b) Notice under subsection (a) must occur not later than seven (7) days after the date the judgment is entered.

(c) The notification sent to a school or school district under subsection (a) must include only the felony for which the individual was convicted.

(d) If a judge later modifies the individual's sentence after giving notice under this section, the judge shall notify the school or the school district of the modification.

(e) After receiving a notification under subsection (a), the superintendent shall initiate procedures to revoke the individual's license to teach.

SECTION 26. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The legislative council is urged to assign to an appropriate study committee during the 2016 legislative interim the following topics:

(1) Ways to reduce school sexual misconduct violations and
methods of improving the reporting requirements of sexual misconduct violations in schools.

(2) The effect of the time at which students start the school day, including impacts on student safety, student achievement, and lost instruction time for students.

(b) This SECTION expires December 31, 2016.

SECTION 27. An emergency is declared for this act.