

HOUSE BILL No. 1163

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 20-20-52.

Synopsis: School wellness grant fund. Establishes the school wellness grant fund (fund) to provide grants to school corporations to support local wellness initiatives developed by the school corporation. Requires the department of education to develop criteria to award grants from the fund. Makes an appropriation.

Effective: July 1, 2025.

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January 8, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.



First Regular Session of the 124th General Assembly (2025)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education and to make an appropriation.

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 20-20-52 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2025]:
4 **Chapter 52. School Wellness Grant Fund**
5 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "fund" refers to the school**
6 **wellness grant fund established by section 2 of this chapter.**
7 **Sec. 2. The school wellness grant fund is established to provide**
8 **grants to school corporations to support local wellness initiatives.**
9 **Sec. 3. (a) The fund shall be administered by the department.**
10 **The fund consists of the following:**
11 **(1) Appropriations from the general assembly.**
12 **(2) Gifts to the fund.**
13 **(3) Grants, including grants from private entities.**
14 **(b) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from**
15 **money in the fund.**
16 **(c) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not**
17 **revert to the state general fund.**



1 **Sec. 4. Subject to section 5 of this chapter, the department may**
2 **award a grant to a school corporation that does the following:**
3 **(1) Applies for a grant in a manner and on a form provided by**
4 **the department.**
5 **(2) Submits a detailed description of a plan describing the**
6 **school corporation's wellness initiative in need of funding.**
7 **Sec. 5. The department shall develop criteria to award grants**
8 **under section 4 of this chapter.**
9 **Sec. 6. The department may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to**
10 **implement this chapter.**
11 **SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025] (a) There is**
12 **appropriated from the state general fund to the school wellness**
13 **grant fund established by IC 20-20-52-2, as added by this act, two**
14 **million dollars (\$2,000,000) for the biennium beginning July 1,**
15 **2025, and ending June 30, 2027, for use by the department of**
16 **education in providing grants under IC 20-20-52, as added by this**
17 **act.**
18 **(b) This SECTION expires June 30, 2027.**

