

HOUSE BILL No. 1397

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 20-24-8-5; IC 20-26-5-36.

Synopsis: Computer use in school. Provides that a school corporation or charter school shall ensure that a parent has continuing access to any computer resource used by a student, including log in names and passwords.

Effective: July 1, 2014.

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January 16, 2014, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.



Second Regular Session 118th General Assembly (2014)

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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 20-24-8-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.160-2012,
2 SECTION 47, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 5. The following statutes and rules and guidelines
4 adopted under the following statutes apply to a charter school:
5 (1) IC 5-11-1-9 (required audits by the state board of accounts).
6 (2) IC 20-39-1-1 (unified accounting system).
7 (3) IC 20-35 (special education).
8 (4) IC 20-26-5-10 (criminal history).
9 (5) IC 20-26-5-6 (subject to laws requiring regulation by state
10 agencies).
11 **(6) IC 20-26-5-36 (parental access to student computer**
12 **resources).**
13 ~~(7)~~ (7) IC 20-28-10-12 (nondiscrimination for teacher marital
14 status).
15 ~~(7)~~ **(8)** IC 20-28-10-14 (teacher freedom of association).
16 ~~(8)~~ **(9)** IC 20-28-10-17 (school counselor immunity).



- 1 ~~(9)~~ **(10)** For conversion charter schools only, IC 20-28-6,
 2 IC 20-28-7.5, IC 20-28-8, IC 20-28-9, and IC 20-28-10.
 3 ~~(+0)~~ **(11)** IC 20-33-2 (compulsory school attendance).
 4 ~~(+1)~~ **(12)** IC 20-33-3 (limitations on employment of children).
 5 ~~(+2)~~ **(13)** IC 20-33-8-19, IC 20-33-8-21, and IC 20-33-8-22
 6 (student due process and judicial review).
 7 ~~(+3)~~ **(14)** IC 20-33-8-16 (firearms and deadly weapons).
 8 ~~(+4)~~ **(15)** IC 20-34-3 (health and safety measures).
 9 ~~(+5)~~ **(16)** IC 20-33-9 (reporting of student violations of law).
 10 ~~(+6)~~ **(17)** IC 20-30-3-2 and IC 20-30-3-4 (patriotic
 11 commemorative observances).
 12 ~~(+7)~~ **(18)** IC 20-31-3, IC 20-32-4, IC 20-32-5, IC 20-32-8, and
 13 IC 20-32-8.5, as provided in IC 20-32-8.5-2(b) (academic
 14 standards, accreditation, assessment, and remediation).
 15 ~~(+8)~~ **(19)** IC 20-33-7 (parental access to education records).
 16 ~~(+9)~~ **(20)** IC 20-31 (accountability for school performance and
 17 improvement).
 18 ~~(20)~~ **(21)** IC 20-30-5-19 (personal financial responsibility
 19 instruction).

20 SECTION 2. IC 20-26-5-36 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
 21 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
 22 1, 2014]: **Sec. 36. (a) This section applies whenever a student is
 23 required to use a computer resource:**

- 24 **(1) for academic study or research;**
 25 **(2) to participate in classroom activities;**
 26 **(3) to complete an assignment; or**
 27 **(4) to complete a required assessment or survey.**

28 **(b) As used in this section, "computer resource" includes any of
 29 following:**

- 30 **(1) A textbook.**
 31 **(2) Materials found on an Internet web site.**
 32 **(3) Materials found on a local network.**
 33 **(4) Materials found on a computer's hardware or on software
 34 used on the computer.**

35 **(c) A school corporation shall ensure that a student's parent has
 36 continuing access to every computer resource used by the student
 37 during the school year.**

38 **(d) At the beginning of each school year, a school shall mail the
 39 parent of each student information on how the parent may obtain
 40 access to each computer resource used by the student, including the
 41 student's log in names and passwords. If, during the course of the
 42 school year, the student's log in names or passwords change, the**



1 **school shall mail notice of the change to the student's parent.**

