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COMMITTEE REPORT

YES:	17
NO:	11

MR. SPEAKER:

*Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred House Bill 2008, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill **be amended** as follows:*

- 1 Delete the title and insert the following:
- 2 A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning
- 3 economic development and to make an appropriation.
- 4 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:
- 5 SECTION 1. IC 4-4-3.4-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
- 6 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 4. (a) The value added
- 7 research fund is established for the purpose of providing money for the
- 8 center for value added research and the commissioner of agriculture to
- 9 carry out the duties specified under this chapter. The fund shall be
- 10 administered by the commissioner of agriculture.
- 11 (b) The fund consists of money appropriated by the general
- 12 assembly.
- 13 (c) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not
- 14 currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same
- 15 manner as other public funds may be invested.
- 16 (d) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert

1 to the state general fund.

2 (e) **In addition to any other appropriation made for the**
 3 **purposes of the fund, the lesser of the amount transferred to the**
 4 **fund under IC 4-4-32 or six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000)**
 5 **is annually appropriated from the fund for the purposes of the**
 6 **fund in each of the state fiscal years beginning after June 30, 2003,**
 7 **and ending before July 1, 2013. The spending authority granted by**
 8 **an appropriation under this section does not expire at the end of**
 9 **the state fiscal year for which the appropriation is made but**
 10 **remains available for expenditure from the fund in any state fiscal**
 11 **year that ends before July 1, 2013.**

12 SECTION 2. IC 4-4-5.1-0.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
 13 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
 14 1, 2003]: **Sec. 0.5. As used in this chapter, "authority" refers to the**
 15 **Indiana development finance authority established by IC 4-4-11-4.**

16 SECTION 3. IC 4-4-5.1-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.190-1999,
 17 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 18 JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 3. (a) The Indiana twenty-first century research
 19 and technology fund is established to provide grants or loans to support
 20 proposals for economic development in one (1) or more of the
 21 following areas:

22 (1) To increase the capacity of Indiana institutions of higher
 23 education, Indiana businesses, and Indiana nonprofit corporations
 24 and organizations to compete successfully for federal or private
 25 research and development funding.

26 (2) To stimulate the transfer of research and technology into
 27 marketable products.

28 (3) To assist with diversifying Indiana's economy by focusing
 29 investment in biomedical research and biotechnology, information
 30 technology, and other high technology industry clusters requiring
 31 high skill, high wage employees.

32 (4) To encourage an environment of innovation and cooperation
 33 among universities and businesses to promote research activity.

34 (b) The fund shall be administered by the ~~budget agency~~ **authority**.
 35 The fund consists of appropriations from the general assembly and gifts
 36 and grants to the fund. The ~~budget agency board~~ shall ~~review each~~
 37 ~~recommendation~~ **approve and recommend applications to the**
 38 **budget committee**. The ~~budget agency~~ **authority**, after review by the

1 budget committee, may approve, deny, or modify grants and loans
 2 recommended by the board. Money in the fund may not be used to
 3 provide a recurring source of revenue for the normal operating
 4 expenditures of any project.

5 (c) The ~~treasurer of state authority~~ shall invest the money in the
 6 fund not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in ~~the~~
 7 ~~same manner as other public funds may be invested.~~ **conformity with**
 8 **IC 4-4-11 and the investment policy established by the authority.**

9 (d) The money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not
 10 revert to the state general fund but remains in the fund to be used
 11 exclusively for the purposes of this chapter.

12 SECTION 4. IC 4-4-5.1-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.190-1999,
 13 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 14 JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 5. (a) The board has the following powers:

15 (1) To accept, analyze, and approve applications under this
 16 chapter.

17 (2) To contract with experts for advice and counsel.

18 (3) To employ staff to assist in carrying out this chapter, including
 19 providing assistance to applicants who wish to apply for a grant
 20 or loan from the fund, analyzing proposals, working with experts
 21 engaged by the board, and preparing reports and
 22 recommendations for the board.

23 (4) To approve and recommend applications for grants or loans
 24 from the fund to the budget committee and ~~budget agency.~~ **the**
 25 **authority.**

26 (b) The board shall give priority to applications for grants or loans
 27 from the fund that:

28 (1) have the greatest economic development potential; and

29 (2) require the lowest ratio of money from the fund compared
 30 with the combined financial commitments of the applicant and
 31 those cooperating on the project.

32 (c) The board shall make final funding determinations for
 33 applications for grants or loans from the fund that will be submitted to
 34 the budget agency **for approval, the budget committee** for review,
 35 and **the authority for approval.** In making a determination on a
 36 proposal intended to obtain federal or private research funding, the
 37 board shall be advised by a peer review panel and shall consider the
 38 following factors in evaluating the proposal:

- 1 (1) The scientific merit of the proposal.
- 2 (2) The predicted future success of federal or private funding for
3 the proposal.
- 4 (3) The ability of the researcher to attract merit based scientific
5 funding of research.
- 6 (4) The extent to which the proposal evidences interdisciplinary
7 or inter-institutional collaboration among two (2) or more Indiana
8 institutions of higher education or private sector partners, as well
9 as cost sharing and partnership support from the business
10 community.

11 (d) The peer review panel shall be chosen by and report to the
12 board. In determining the composition and duties of a peer review
13 panel, the board shall consider the National Institutes of Health and the
14 National Science Foundation peer review processes as models. The
15 members of the panel must have extensive experience in federal
16 research funding. A panel member may not have a relationship with
17 any private entity or academic institution in Indiana that would
18 constitute a conflict of interest for the panel member.

19 (e) In making a determination on any other application for a grant
20 or loan from the fund involving a proposal to transfer research results
21 and technologies into marketable products or commercial ventures, the
22 board shall consult with experts as necessary to analyze the likelihood
23 of success of the proposal and the relative merit of the proposal.

24 SECTION 5. IC 4-4-5.1-8.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
25 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
26 1, 2003]: **Sec. 8.5. (a) This section applies to a meeting of the board
27 at which at least four (4) members of the board are physically
28 present at the place where the meeting is conducted.**

29 **(b) A member of the board may participate in a meeting of the
30 board by using a means of communication that permits:**

- 31 **(1) all other members participating in the meeting; and**
32 **(2) all members of the public physically present at the place
33 where the meeting is conducted;**
34 **to simultaneously communicate with each other during the
35 meeting.**

36 **(c) A member who participates in a meeting under subsection
37 (b) is considered to be present at the meeting.**

38 **(d) The memoranda of the meeting prepared under**

- 1 **IC 5-14-1.5-4 must also state the name of each member who:**
 2 **(1) was physically present at the place where the meeting was**
 3 **conducted;**
 4 **(2) participated in the meeting by using a means of**
 5 **communication described in subsection (b); and**
 6 **(3) was absent.**

7 SECTION 6. IC 4-4-5.1-11, AS ADDED BY P.L.190-1999,
 8 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 9 JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 11. The board may use money in the fund to cover
 10 administrative expenses incurred in carrying out the requirements of
 11 this chapter, **including the following administrative expenses:**

- 12 **(1) Staff salaries.**
 13 **(2) Professional fees.**
 14 **(3) Office expenses.**
 15 **(4) Training expenses.**
 16 **(5) Expenses for studies.**
 17 **(6) Educational programs or conferences that will assist**
 18 **applicants or awardees.**

19 SECTION 7. IC 4-4-5.1-12 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
 20 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
 21 1, 2003]: **Sec. 12. The board shall submit an annual report to the**
 22 **legislative council before September 1. The report shall contain the**
 23 **following information concerning fund activity in the preceding**
 24 **state fiscal year:**

- 25 **(1) The name of each entity receiving a grant from the fund.**
 26 **(2) The location of each entity sorted by:**
 27 **(A) county, in the case of an entity located in Indiana; or**
 28 **(B) state, in the case of an entity located outside Indiana.**
 29 **(3) The amount of each grant awarded to each entity.**

30 SECTION 8. IC 4-4-9.3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
 31 A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
 32 1, 2003]:

33 **Chapter 9.3. Rural Development Administration Fund**

34 **Sec. 1. (a) The rural development administration fund is**
 35 **established for the purpose of enhancing and developing rural**
 36 **communities. The fund shall be administered by the Indiana rural**
 37 **development council.**

- 38 **(b) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from**

1 **the money in the fund.**

2 **(c) Notwithstanding IC 5-13, the treasurer of state shall invest**
 3 **the money in the fund not currently needed to meet the obligations**
 4 **of the fund under IC 5-10.3-5. The treasurer of state may contract**
 5 **with investment management professionals, investment advisers,**
 6 **and legal counsel to assist in the management of the fund and may**
 7 **pay the state expenses incurred under those contracts.**

8 **(d) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not**
 9 **revert to the state general fund.**

10 **Sec. 2. (a) Money in the fund may be used for the following**
 11 **purposes:**

12 **(1) To create, assess, and assist a pilot project to enhance the**
 13 **economic and community development in a rural area.**

14 **(2) To establish a local revolving loan fund for an industrial,**
 15 **a commercial, an agricultural, or a tourist venture.**

16 **(3) To provide a loan for an economic development project in**
 17 **a rural area.**

18 **(4) To provide technical assistance to a rural organization.**

19 **(5) To assist in the development and creation of a rural**
 20 **cooperative.**

21 **(6) To address rural workforce development challenges.**

22 **(7) To assist in addressing telecommunications needs in a**
 23 **rural area.**

24 **(b) Expenditures from the fund are subject to appropriation by**
 25 **the general assembly and approval by the Indiana rural**
 26 **development council under IC 4-4-9.5. The council may not**
 27 **approve an expenditure from the fund unless the rural**
 28 **development administration advisory board established by section**
 29 **3 of this chapter has recommended the expenditure.**

30 **Sec. 3. (a) The rural development administration advisory board**
 31 **is established to make recommendations concerning the**
 32 **expenditure of money from the fund.**

33 **(b) The advisory board shall meet at least four (4) times per**
 34 **year and shall also meet at the call of the executive director of the**
 35 **rural development council.**

36 **(c) The advisory board consists of the following members:**

37 **(1) The executive director of the Indiana rural development**
 38 **council, who serves as an ex officio member and as the**

- 1 chairperson of the advisory board.
- 2 (2) Two (2) members of the senate, who may not be members
3 of the same political party, and who are appointed by the
4 president pro tempore of the senate.
- 5 (3) Two (2) members of the house of representatives, who may
6 not be members of the same political party, and who are
7 appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.
- 8 (4) A representative of the commissioner of agriculture, to be
9 appointed by the governor.
- 10 (5) A representative of the department of commerce, to be
11 appointed by the governor.
- 12 (6) A representative of the department of workforce
13 development, to be appointed by the governor.
- 14 (7) Two (2) persons with knowledge and experience in state
15 and regional economic needs, to be appointed by the
16 governor.
- 17 (8) A representative of a local rural economic development
18 organization, to be appointed by the governor.
- 19 (9) A representative of a small town or rural community, to be
20 appointed by the governor.
- 21 (10) A representative of the rural development council, to be
22 appointed by the governor.
- 23 (11) A representative of rural education, to be appointed by
24 the governor.
- 25 (12) A representative of the league of regional conservation
26 and development districts, to be appointed by the governor.
- 27 (13) A person currently enrolled in rural secondary education,
28 to be appointed by the governor.
- 29 (d) The members of the advisory board listed in subsection
30 (c)(1) through (c)(3) are nonvoting members.
- 31 (e) The term of office of a legislative member of the advisory
32 board is four (4) years. However, a legislative member of the
33 advisory board ceases to be a member if the member:
- 34 (1) is no longer a member of the chamber from which the
35 member was appointed; or
- 36 (2) is removed from the advisory board by the appointing
37 authority who appointed the legislator.
- 38 (f) The term of office of a voting member of the advisory board

1 is four (4) years. However, these members serve at the pleasure of
2 the governor and may be removed for any reason.

3 (g) If a vacancy exists on the advisory board, the appointing
4 authority who appointed the former member whose position has
5 become vacant shall appoint an individual to fill the vacancy for
6 the balance of the unexpired term.

7 (h) Six (6) voting members of the advisory board constitute a
8 quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting of the advisory
9 board. The affirmative vote of at least six (6) voting members is
10 necessary for the advisory board to take action.

11 **Sec. 4. In addition to any other appropriation made for the**
12 **purposes of the fund, the lesser of the amount transferred to the**
13 **fund under IC 4-4-32 or two million four hundred thousand dollars**
14 **(\$2,400,000) is annually appropriated from the fund for the**
15 **purposes of the fund in each of the state fiscal years beginning after**
16 **June 30, 2003, and ending before July 1, 2013. The spending**
17 **authority granted by an appropriation under this section does not**
18 **expire at the end of the state fiscal year for which the**
19 **appropriation is made but remains available for expenditure from**
20 **the fund in any state fiscal year that ends before July 1, 2013.**

21 SECTION 9. IC 4-4-9.5-4 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
22 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
23 1, 2003]: **Sec. 4. (a) The rural development council fund is**
24 **established to be used exclusively for the purposes set forth in**
25 **sections 2 and 3 of this chapter. The fund shall be administered by**
26 **the council.**

27 (b) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from
28 the money in the fund.

29 (c) Notwithstanding IC 5-13, the treasurer of state shall invest
30 the money in the fund not currently needed to meet the obligations
31 of the fund under IC 5-10.3-5. The treasurer of state may contract
32 with investment management professionals, investment advisers,
33 and legal counsel to assist in the management of the fund and may
34 pay the state expenses incurred under those contracts.

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

37 (e) In addition to any other appropriation made for the
38 purposes of the fund, the lesser of the amount transferred to the

1 **fund under IC 4-4-32 or one million two hundred thousand dollars**
 2 **(\$1,200,000) is annually appropriated from the fund for the**
 3 **purposes of the fund in each of the state fiscal years beginning after**
 4 **June 30, 2003, and ending before July 1, 2013. The spending**
 5 **authority granted by an appropriation under this section does not**
 6 **expire at the end of the state fiscal year for which the**
 7 **appropriation is made but remains available for expenditure from**
 8 **the fund in any state fiscal year that ends before July 1, 2013.**

9 SECTION 10. IC 4-4-10.9-0.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
 10 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
 11 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 0.5. "Accredited investor" has the**
 12 **meaning set forth in IC 4-4-11.7-1.**

13 SECTION 11. IC 4-4-10.9-3.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
 14 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
 15 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 3.5. "Business" means a**
 16 **partnership, a firm, an association, a joint venture, a limited**
 17 **liability company, a limited liability partnership, or a corporation.**

18 SECTION 12. IC 4-4-10.9-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
 19 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 4. "Contracting party"**
 20 **means any party to a lease, sales contract, co-venture investment**
 21 **agreement (whether in the form of a loan, loan guarantee, or pool**
 22 **participation agreement), or loan agreement other than the authority.**

23 SECTION 13. IC 4-4-10.9-5.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
 24 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
 25 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 5.5. "Co-venture investment**
 26 **loan" means a venture capital or seed capital investment in the**
 27 **form of a loan by the authority that is made to a business after or**
 28 **in conjunction with equity investments by one (1) or more**
 29 **professional or accredited investors that have made or are making**
 30 **equity investments in the business.**

31 SECTION 14. IC 4-4-10.9-6.2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.4-2002,
 32 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 33 JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 6.2. (a) "Educational facility project" includes:**

- 34 (1) the acquisition of land, site improvements, infrastructure
 35 improvements, buildings, or structures, the rehabilitation,
 36 renovation, and enlargement of buildings and structures,
 37 machinery, equipment, furnishings, or facilities (or any
 38 combination of these):

1 (A) comprising or being functionally related and subordinate
2 to any aquaria, botanical societies, historical societies,
3 libraries, museums, performing arts associations or societies,
4 scientific societies, zoological societies, and independent
5 elementary, secondary, or postsecondary schools (or any
6 combination of these) that engages in the cultural, intellectual,
7 scientific, educational, or artistic enrichment of the people of
8 the state the development or expansion of which serves the
9 purposes set forth in IC 4-4-11-2;

10 (B) is not used or to be used primarily for sectarian instruction
11 or study or as a place for devotional activities; and

12 (C) is not used or to be used primarily in connection with any
13 part of the program of a school or department of divinity for
14 any religious denomination; or

15 (2) funding (including reimbursement or refinancing) by a
16 nonprofit organization described in subsection (b) of:

17 (A) real property and improvements;

18 (B) personal property; or

19 (C) noncapital costs to fund a judgment, a settlement, or other
20 cost or liability. ~~other than an ordinary and recurring operating~~
21 ~~cost or expenditure.~~

22 (b) For purposes of subsection (a)(2), a nonprofit organization must
23 be:

24 (1) qualified as tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal
25 Revenue Code; and

26 (2) have headquarters or a primary educational or exhibit facility
27 located on property owned by or titled in the name of the state of
28 Indiana or an agency, a commission, or an instrumentality of the
29 state of Indiana that serves the purposes set forth in IC 4-4-11-2.

30 SECTION 15. IC 4-4-10.9-9.5, AS ADDED BY P.L.227-1999,
31 SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
32 JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 9.5. "High growth company with high skilled
33 jobs" means a company that satisfies all of the following conditions:

34 (1) The company:

35 (A) had at least a ~~fifteen~~ ~~ten~~ percent ~~(15%)~~ **(10%)** average
36 annual growth in company ~~earnings~~ **gross revenue** during the
37 past three (3) years;

38 (B) is entering a new product or process area; or

- 1 (C) is classified in an industry that had at least a ~~fifteen~~ **ten**
 2 percent ~~(+5%)~~ **(10%)** average annual growth in ~~earnings~~ **gross**
 3 **revenue** during the past three (3) years.
- 4 (2) The company has a substantial number of employees in jobs:
 5 (A) requiring post-secondary education or its equivalent; or
 6 (B) that are in occupational codes classified as high skill by
 7 the Bureau of Labor Statistics, United States Department of
 8 Labor.
- 9 (3) The company has a substantial number of employees that earn
 10 at least one hundred fifty percent (150%) of Indiana per capita
 11 personal income.

12 SECTION 16. IC 4-4-10.9-15.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
 13 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
 14 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 15.5. "Loan guarantee" means,**
 15 **in addition to the guaranty program, a loan guarantee provided to**
 16 **professional or accredited investors from the Indiana venture fund**
 17 **under IC 4-4-11.7.**

18 SECTION 17. IC 4-4-10.9-24.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
 19 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
 20 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 24.5. "Professional investor"**
 21 **means a bank, a bank holding company, a savings institution, a**
 22 **trust company, a credit union, an insurance company, an**
 23 **investment company registered under the federal Investment**
 24 **Company Act of 1940, a pension or profit sharing trust, another**
 25 **financial institution or institutional buyer, a licensee under the**
 26 **federal Small Business Investment Act of 1958, et seq., or any**
 27 **person, partnership, or other entity whose:**

- 28 (1) **principal business is making venture capital investments;**
 29 **and**
 30 (2) **net worth exceeds two hundred fifty (\$250,000) thousand**
 31 **dollars.**

32 SECTION 18. IC 4-4-10.9-26.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
 33 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
 34 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 26.5. "Seed capital" means**
 35 **financing that is provided for:**

- 36 (1) **the applied research, development, testing, and initial**
 37 **marketing of a technology, product, process, or invention;**
 38 (2) **company formation;**

- 1 **(3) intellectual property protection and acquisition; and**
- 2 **(4) associated working capital.**

3 SECTION 19. IC 4-4-10.9-27.8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
 4 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
 5 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 27.8. "Technology**
 6 **commercialization project" means any combination of:**

- 7 **(1) applied research, development, testing, and initial**
- 8 **marketing of a technology, a product, a process, or an**
- 9 **invention and associated working capital, including the hiring**
- 10 **of professionals;**
- 11 **(2) the development of a technology, product, process, or**
- 12 **invention; and**
- 13 **(3) rehabilitation, creation, or enhancement of research**
- 14 **facilities, renovation, and enlargement of buildings and**
- 15 **structures, machinery, equipment, or supplies;**

16 **comprising or being functionally related or subordinate to any**
 17 **project, the development or expansion of which serves the public**
 18 **purposes set forth in IC 4-4-11-2.**

19 SECTION 20. IC 4-4-10.9-27.8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
 20 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
 21 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 27.8. "Venture capital" means**
 22 **financing that is provided for the capital needs of a business that**
 23 **is developing a new technology, product, process, or invention.**

24 SECTION 21. IC 4-4-11-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.4-2002,
 25 SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 26 JULY 1, 2003]: **Sec. 2. (a) The legislature makes the following findings**
 27 **of fact:**

28 **(1) That there currently exists in certain areas of the state critical**
 29 **conditions of unemployment, lack of adequate capital for**
 30 **research and technology commercialization, or environmental**
 31 **pollution, including water pollution, air pollution, sewage and**
 32 **solid waste, radioactive waste, thermal pollution, radiation**
 33 **contamination, and noise pollution, and that these conditions may**
 34 **well exist, from time to time, in other areas of the state.**

35 **(2) That in some areas of the state such conditions are chronic and**
 36 **of long standing and that without remedial measures they may**
 37 **become so in other areas of the state.**

38 **(3) That economic insecurity due to unemployment, inadequate**

- 1 **capital**, or environmental pollution is a menace to the health,
2 safety, morals, and general welfare of not only the people of the
3 affected areas but of the people of the entire state.
- 4 (4) That involuntary unemployment and its resulting burden of
5 indigency falls with crushing force upon the unemployed worker
6 and ultimately upon the state in the form of public assistance and
7 unemployment compensation.
- 8 (5) That security against unemployment and the resulting spread
9 of indigency and economic stagnation in the areas affected can
10 best be provided by:
- 11 (A) the promotion, attraction, stimulation, rehabilitation, and
12 revitalization of industrial development projects, **technology**
13 **commercialization projects**, rural development projects,
14 mining operations, and agricultural operations that involve the
15 processing of agricultural products;
- 16 (B) the promotion and stimulation of international exports; and
- 17 (C) the education, both formal and informal, of people of all
18 ages throughout the state by the promotion, attraction,
19 construction, renovation, rehabilitation, and revitalization of
20 and assistance to educational facility projects.
- 21 (6) That the present and prospective health, safety, morals, right
22 to gainful employment, and general welfare of the people of the
23 state require as a public purpose the abatement or control of
24 pollution, the promotion of increased educational enrichment
25 (including cultural, intellectual, scientific, or artistic
26 opportunities) for people of all ages through new, expanded, or
27 revitalized educational facility projects or through assisting
28 educational facility projects, and the promotion of employment
29 creation or retention through development of new and expanded
30 industrial development projects, **technology commercialization**
31 **projects**, rural development projects, mining operations, and
32 agricultural operations that involve the processing of agricultural
33 products.
- 34 (7) That there is a need to stimulate a larger flow of private
35 investment funds from commercial banks, investment bankers,
36 **professional investors**, insurance companies, other financial
37 institutions, and individuals into such industrial development
38 projects, **technology commercialization projects**, rural

1 development projects, mining operations, international exports,
2 and agricultural operations that involve the processing of
3 agricultural products in the state.

4 (8) That the authority can encourage the making of loans, **loan**
5 **guarantees, co-venture investment loans,** or leases for creation
6 or expansion of industrial development projects, **technology**
7 **commercialization projects,** rural development projects, mining
8 operations, international exports, and agricultural operations that
9 involve the processing of agricultural products, thus putting a
10 larger portion of the private capital available in Indiana for
11 investment to use in ~~the general economic development of the~~
12 **state: in Indiana.**

13 (9) That the issuance of bonds of the authority to create a
14 financing pool for industrial development projects promoting a
15 substantial likelihood of opportunities for:

- 16 (A) gainful employment;
- 17 (B) business opportunities;
- 18 (C) educational enrichment (including cultural, intellectual,
- 19 scientific, or artistic opportunities);
- 20 (D) the abatement, reduction, or prevention of pollution;
- 21 (E) the removal or treatment of any substances in materials
- 22 being processed that otherwise would cause pollution when
- 23 used; or
- 24 (F) increased options for and availability of child care;

25 will improve the health, safety, morals, and general welfare of the
26 people of the state and constitutes a public purpose for which the
27 authority shall exist and operate.

28 (10) That the issuance of bonds of the authority to create a
29 funding source for the making of guaranteed participating loans
30 will promote and encourage an expanding international exports
31 market and international exports sales and will promote the
32 general welfare of all of the people of Indiana by assisting Indiana
33 businesses through stimulation of the expansion of international
34 exports sales for Indiana products and services, especially those
35 of small and medium-sized businesses, by providing financial
36 assistance through the authority.

37 (b) The Indiana development finance authority shall exist and
38 operate for the public purposes of:

- 1 (1) promoting opportunities for gainful employment and business
- 2 opportunities by the promotion and development of industrial
- 3 development projects, **technology commercialization projects**,
- 4 rural development projects, mining operations, international
- 5 exports, and agricultural operations that involve the processing of
- 6 agricultural products, in any areas of the state;
- 7 (2) promoting the educational enrichment (including cultural,
- 8 intellectual, scientific, or artistic opportunities) of all the people
- 9 of the state by the promotion, development, and assistance of
- 10 educational facility projects;
- 11 (3) promoting affordable farm credit and agricultural loan
- 12 financing at interest rates that are consistent with the needs of
- 13 borrowers for farming and agricultural enterprises;
- 14 (4) preventing and remediating environmental pollution,
- 15 including water pollution, air pollution, sewage and solid waste
- 16 disposal, radioactive waste, thermal pollution, radiation
- 17 contamination, and noise pollution affecting the health and well
- 18 being of the people of the state by the promotion and development
- 19 of industrial development projects; ~~and~~
- 20 (5) promoting affordable and accessible child care for the people
- 21 of the state by the promotion and development of child care
- 22 facilities; **and**
- 23 **(6) promoting research, innovation, technology transfer, and**
- 24 **technology commercialization by the promotion, development,**
- 25 **and assistance of technology commercialization projects.**

26 SECTION 22. IC 4-4-11-15, AS AMENDED BY P.L.4-2002,
 27 SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 28 JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 15. (a) The authority is granted all powers
 29 necessary or appropriate to carry out and effectuate its public and
 30 corporate purposes under this chapter, **IC 4-4-11.5**, IC 4-4-21,
 31 **IC 4-4-26, IC 13-19-5**, and IC 15-7-5, including but not limited to the
 32 following:

- 33 (1) Have perpetual succession as a body politic and corporate and
- 34 an independent instrumentality exercising essential public
- 35 functions.
- 36 (2) Without complying with IC 4-22-2, adopt, amend, and repeal
- 37 bylaws, rules, and regulations not inconsistent with this chapter,
- 38 **IC 4-4-11.5**, IC 4-4-21, **IC 4-4-26, IC 13-19-5**, and IC 15-7-5 and

- 1 necessary or convenient to regulate its affairs and to carry into
2 effect the powers, duties, and purposes of the authority and
3 conduct its business.
- 4 (3) Sue and be sued in its own name.
- 5 (4) Have an official seal and alter it at will.
- 6 (5) Maintain an office or offices at a place or places within the
7 state as it may designate.
- 8 (6) Make and execute contracts and all other instruments
9 necessary or convenient for the performance of its duties and the
10 exercise of its powers and functions under this chapter,
11 **IC 4-4-11.5**, IC 4-4-21, **IC 4-4-26**, **IC 13-19-5**, and IC 15-7-5.
- 12 (7) Employ architects, engineers, attorneys, **financial advisers**,
13 inspectors, accountants, agriculture experts, silviculture experts,
14 aquaculture experts, and financial experts, and such other
15 advisors, consultants, and agents as may be necessary in its
16 judgment and to fix their compensation.
- 17 (8) Procure insurance against any loss in connection with its
18 property and other assets, including loans and loan notes in
19 amounts and from insurers as it may consider advisable.
- 20 (9) Borrow money, make guaranties, issue bonds, and otherwise
21 incur indebtedness for any of the authority's purposes, and issue
22 debentures, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness, whether
23 secured or unsecured, to any person, as provided by this chapter,
24 IC 4-4-21, **IC 13-19-5**, and IC 15-7-5.
- 25 (10) Procure insurance or guaranties from any public or private
26 entities, including any department, agency, or instrumentality of
27 the United States, for payment of any bonds issued by the
28 authority or for reinsurance on amounts paid from the industrial
29 development project guaranty fund, including the power to pay
30 premiums on any insurance or reinsurance.
- 31 (11) Purchase, receive, take by grant, gift, devise, bequest, or
32 otherwise, and accept, from any source, aid or contributions of
33 money, property, labor, or other things of value to be held, used,
34 and applied to carry out the purposes of this chapter, **IC 4-4-11.5**,
35 IC 4-4-21, **IC 4-4-26**, **IC 13-19-5**, and IC 15-7-5, subject to the
36 conditions upon which the grants or contributions are made,
37 including but not limited to gifts or grants from any department,
38 agency, or instrumentality of the United States, and lease or

- 1 otherwise acquire, own, hold, improve, employ, use, and
2 otherwise deal in and with real or personal property or any
3 interest in real or personal property, wherever situated, for any
4 purpose consistent with this chapter, IC 4-4-21, or IC 15-7-5.
- 5 (12) Enter into agreements with any department, agency, or
6 instrumentality of the United States or this state and with lenders
7 and enter into loan agreements, sales contracts, and leases with
8 contracting parties, including borrowers, lenders, developers,
9 **professional or accredited investors**, or users, for the purpose
10 of planning, regulating, and providing for the financing and
11 refinancing of any agricultural enterprise (as defined in
12 IC 15-7-4.9-2), rural development project (as defined in
13 IC 15-7-4.9-19.5), industrial development project, **technology**
14 **commercialization project**, or international exports, and
15 distribute data and information concerning the encouragement
16 and improvement of agricultural enterprises and agricultural
17 employment, rural development projects, industrial development
18 projects, international exports, and other types of employment in
19 the state undertaken with the assistance of the authority under this
20 chapter.
- 21 (13) Enter into contracts or agreements with lenders and lessors
22 for the servicing and processing of loans and leases pursuant to
23 this chapter, IC 4-4-21, and IC 15-7-5.
- 24 (14) Provide technical assistance to local public bodies and to
25 profit and nonprofit entities in the development or operation of
26 agricultural enterprises, rural development projects, **technology**
27 **commercialization projects**, and industrial development
28 projects.
- 29 (15) To the extent permitted under its contract with the holders of
30 the bonds of the authority, consent to any modification with
31 respect to the rate of interest, time, and payment of any
32 installment of principal or interest, or any other term of any
33 contract, loan, loan note, loan note commitment, contract, lease,
34 or agreement of any kind to which the authority is a party.
- 35 (16) To the extent permitted under its contract with the holders of
36 bonds of the authority, enter into contracts with any lender
37 containing provisions enabling it to reduce the rental or carrying
38 charges to persons unable to pay the regular schedule of charges

1 when, by reason of other income or payment by any department,
2 agency, or instrumentality of the United States of America or of
3 this state, the reduction can be made without jeopardizing the
4 economic stability of the agricultural enterprise, rural
5 development project, or industrial development project being
6 financed.

7 (17) Invest any funds not needed for immediate disbursement,
8 including any funds held in reserve, in direct and general
9 obligations of or obligations fully and unconditionally guaranteed
10 by the United States, obligations issued by agencies of the United
11 States, obligations of this state, or any obligations or securities
12 which may from time to time be legally purchased by
13 governmental subdivisions of this state pursuant to IC 5-13, or
14 any obligations or securities which are permitted investments for
15 bond proceeds or any construction, debt service, or reserve funds
16 secured under the trust indenture or resolution pursuant to which
17 bonds are issued.

18 (18) Collect fees and charges, as the authority determines to be
19 reasonable, in connection with its loans, **co-venture investment**
20 **loans and loan guarantees**, guarantees, advances, insurance,
21 commitments, and servicing.

22 (19) Cooperate and exchange services, personnel, and information
23 with any federal, state, or local government agency, or
24 instrumentality of the United States or this state.

25 (20) Sell, at public or private sale, with or without public bidding,
26 any loan or other obligation held by the authority.

27 (21) Enter into agreements concerning, and acquire, hold, and
28 dispose by any lawful means, land or interests in land, building
29 improvements, structures, personal property, franchises, patents,
30 accounts receivable, loans, assignments, guarantees, and
31 insurance needed for the purposes of this chapter, IC 4-4-21,
32 **IC 4-4-26, IC 13-19-5**, or IC 15-7-5.

33 (22) Take assignments of accounts receivable, loans, guarantees,
34 insurance, notes, mortgages, security agreements securing notes,
35 and other forms of security, attach, seize, or take title by
36 foreclosure or conveyance to any industrial development project
37 **or technology commercialization project** when a guaranteed
38 loan thereon is clearly in default and when in the opinion of the

1 authority such acquisition is necessary to safeguard the industrial
 2 development project guaranty fund **or the Indiana venture fund,**
 3 and sell, or on a temporary basis, lease, or rent such industrial
 4 development project **or technology commercialization project**
 5 for any use.

6 (23) Expend money, as the authority considers appropriate, from
 7 the industrial development project guaranty fund created by
 8 section 16 of this chapter **and the Indiana venture fund**
 9 **established by IC 4-4-11.7-5.**

10 (24) Purchase, lease as lessee, construct, remodel, rebuild,
 11 enlarge, or substantially improve industrial development projects,
 12 including land, machinery, equipment, or any combination
 13 thereof.

14 (25) Lease industrial development projects to users or developers,
 15 with or without an option to purchase.

16 (26) Sell industrial development projects to users or developers,
 17 for consideration to be paid in installments or otherwise.

18 (27) Make direct loans from the proceeds of the bonds to users or
 19 developers for:

20 (A) the cost of acquisition, construction, or installation of
 21 industrial development projects, including land, machinery,
 22 equipment, or any combination thereof; **or**

23 (B) eligible expenditures for an educational facility project
 24 described in IC 4-4-10.9-6.2(a)(2); **or**

25 (C) **eligible expenditures for a technology**
 26 **commercialization project;**

27 with the loans to be secured by the pledge of one (1) or more
 28 bonds, notes, warrants, or other secured or unsecured debt
 29 obligations of the users or developers.

30 (28) Lend or deposit the proceeds of bonds to or with a lender **or**
 31 **professional or accredited investor** for the purpose of:

32 (A) furnishing funds to such lender **or investor** to be used for
 33 making a loan to a developer or user for the financing of
 34 industrial development projects under this chapter; **or**

35 (B) **making capital available to an eligible technology**
 36 **commercialization project.**

37 (29) Enter into agreements with users or developers to allow the
 38 users or developers, directly or as agents for the authority, to

- 1 wholly or partially construct industrial development projects to be
2 leased from or to be acquired by the authority.
- 3 (30) Establish reserves from the proceeds of the sale of bonds,
4 other funds, or both, in the amount determined to be necessary by
5 the authority to secure the payment of the principal and interest on
6 the bonds.
- 7 (31) Adopt ~~rules~~ **guidelines, without complying with IC 4-22-2,**
8 governing its activities authorized under this chapter, IC 4-4-21,
9 **IC 4-4-11.7, IC 4-4-26, IC 13-19-5,** and IC 15-7-5.
- 10 (32) Use the proceeds of bonds to make guaranteed participating
11 loans.
- 12 (33) Purchase, discount, sell, and negotiate, with or without
13 guaranty, notes and other evidences of indebtedness.
- 14 (34) Sell and guarantee securities.
- 15 (35) Make guaranteed participating loans under IC 4-4-21-26.
- 16 (36) Procure insurance to guarantee, insure, coinsure, and
17 reinsure against political and commercial risk of loss, and any
18 other insurance the authority considers necessary, including
19 insurance to secure the payment of principal and interest on notes
20 or other obligations of the authority.
- 21 (37) Provide performance bond guarantees to support eligible
22 export loan transactions, subject to the terms of this chapter or
23 IC 4-4-21.
- 24 (38) Provide financial counseling services to Indiana exporters.
- 25 (39) Accept gifts, grants, or loans from, and enter into contracts
26 or other transactions with, any federal or state agency,
27 municipality, private organization, or other source.
- 28 (40) Sell, convey, lease, exchange, transfer, or otherwise dispose
29 of property or any interest in property, wherever the property is
30 located.
- 31 (41) Cooperate with other public and private organizations to
32 promote export trade activities in Indiana.
- 33 (42) Make guarantees and administer the agricultural loan and
34 rural development project guarantee fund established by
35 IC 15-7-5.
- 36 (43) Take assignments of notes and mortgages and security
37 agreements securing notes and other forms of security, and attach,
38 seize, or take title by foreclosure or conveyance to any

1 agricultural enterprise or rural development project when a
 2 guaranteed loan to the enterprise or rural development project is
 3 clearly in default and when in the opinion of the authority the
 4 acquisition is necessary to safeguard the agricultural loan and
 5 rural development project guarantee fund, and sell, or on a
 6 temporary basis, lease or rent the agricultural enterprise or rural
 7 development project for any use.

8 (44) Expend money, as the authority considers appropriate, from
 9 the agricultural loan and rural development project guarantee
 10 fund created by IC 15-7-5-19.5.

11 (45) Reimburse from bond proceeds expenditures for industrial
 12 development projects under this chapter.

13 **(46) Make direct loans and co-venture investment loans and**
 14 **loan guarantees to professional and accredited investors to**
 15 **provide seed and venture capital to technology**
 16 **commercialization projects.**

17 **(47) Through administration of the twenty-first century**
 18 **research and technology fund and the Indiana venture fund,**
 19 **award grants to and enter into contracts with universities and**
 20 **research institutions to:**

21 **(A) increase the capacity of Indiana institutions of higher**
 22 **education, Indiana businesses, and Indiana nonprofit**
 23 **corporations and organizations to compete successfully for**
 24 **federal and private research and development funds;**

25 **(B) stimulate the transfer of research and technology into**
 26 **marketable products;**

27 **(C) assist with diversifying Indiana's economy by focusing**
 28 **investment on biomedical research, biotechnology,**
 29 **information technology, and other high technology**
 30 **industry clusters requiring high skill, high wage**
 31 **employees; and**

32 **(D) encourage an environment of innovation and**
 33 **cooperation among universities and businesses to promote**
 34 **research.**

35 **(48) Do any act necessary or convenient to the exercise of the**
 36 **powers granted by this chapter, IC 4-4-11.5, IC 4-4-21,**
 37 **IC 4-4-26, IC 13-19-5, or IC 15-7-5, or reasonably implied from**
 38 **those statutes, including but not limited to compliance with**

1 requirements of federal law imposed from time to time for the
2 issuance of bonds.

3 (b) The authority's powers under this chapter shall be interpreted
4 broadly to effectuate the purposes of this chapter and may not be
5 construed as a limitation of powers.

6 (c) This chapter does not authorize the financing of industrial
7 development projects for a developer unless any written agreement that
8 may exist between the developer and the user at the time of the bond
9 resolution is fully disclosed to and approved by the authority.

10 SECTION 23. IC 4-4-11-16.3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
11 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 16.3. To further the
12 purposes of this chapter, and in addition to the authority's other powers
13 under this chapter, the authority may transfer funds:

14 (1) from the industrial development guaranty project fund to the
15 capital access account established by IC 4-4-26-37; and

16 (2) from the business development loan fund (IC 4-4-11-16.5)
17 to the Indiana venture fund established by IC 4-4-11.7-5.

18 SECTION 24. IC 4-4-11.7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
19 AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
20 JULY 1, 2003]:

21 **Chapter 11.7. Indiana Venture Fund**

22 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "accredited investor" means an**
23 **investor who meets the most current definition of accredited**
24 **investor as defined:**

25 (1) in the federal Securities Act of 1933; or

26 (2) by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

27 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "advisory board" refers to the**
28 **advisory board established by section 11 of this chapter.**

29 **Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "authority" refers to the Indiana**
30 **development finance authority established by IC 4-4-11-4.**

31 **Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "fund" refers to the Indiana**
32 **venture fund established by section 5 of this chapter.**

33 **Sec. 5. The Indiana venture fund is established for the purposes**
34 **described in section 10 of this chapter. The fund shall be**
35 **administered by the authority separately from the state treasury.**

36 **Sec. 6. The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid**
37 **from money in the fund.**

38 **Sec. 7. The authority shall invest the money in the fund not**

1 currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in conformity
 2 with IC 4-4-11 and the investment policies established by the
 3 authority. Interest that accrues from these investments shall be
 4 deposited in the fund.

5 Sec. 8. Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does
 6 not revert to the state general fund.

7 Sec. 9. The authority may accept:

- 8 (1) grants;
- 9 (2) loans;
- 10 (3) subsidies;
- 11 (4) matching funds;
- 12 (5) reimbursements;
- 13 (6) appropriations;
- 14 (7) transfers of appropriations;
- 15 (8) bond proceeds from tobacco securitization;
- 16 (9) federal grant money;
- 17 (10) income derived from investments; or
- 18 (11) other things of value from:
 - 19 (A) the federal government or state governments;
 - 20 (B) any agency of any other state; or
 - 21 (C) any institution, person, firm, or corporation, public or
 - 22 private;

23 for deposit in the fund.

24 Sec. 10. The authority may invest and reinvest the fund and the
 25 income from money in the fund as follows:

- 26 (1) To make a direct loan to a technology commercialization
 27 project to provide seed capital or venture capital. A direct
 28 loan under this subdivision may not exceed the lesser of the
 29 following:
 - 30 (A) Forty percent (40%) of the estimated cost of the initial
 31 funding for the project (including development, testing,
 32 initial production and marketing, company formation,
 33 intellectual property protection and acquisition, and
 34 associated working capital for the technology, product,
 35 process, or invention).
 - 36 (B) Six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000).
- 37 (2) To make direct or co-venture investments in the form of
 38 loans or loan guarantees by entering into agreements with one

1 **(1) or more professional or accredited investors who have**
2 **formally agreed to invest at least as much as the authority**
3 **invests in a technology commercialization project to provide**
4 **venture capital or seed capital. Not more than one million**
5 **dollars (\$1,000,000) may be loaned or guaranteed by the**
6 **authority to any single business under this subdivision.**
7 **However, an amount not exceeding an additional five hundred**
8 **thousand dollars (\$500,000) may be loaned or guaranteed to**
9 **the single business if the authority finds, after the initial**
10 **investment by the authority, that additional investments in the**
11 **business are necessary to protect or enhance the initial**
12 **investment of the authority. Each co-venture investment**
13 **agreement must provide that the authority is to recover its**
14 **investment before or simultaneously with any distribution to**
15 **participating professional or accredited investors. The**
16 **agreement must provide that the authority and participating**
17 **professional or accredited investors are to share ratably in the**
18 **profits earned in any form on the co-venture investment.**

19 **(3) To enter into written agreements or with one (1) or more**
20 **professional investors to establish a pool of funds to be used**
21 **exclusively as venture capital or seed capital investments. The**
22 **authority may not invest more than two million dollars**
23 **(\$2,000,000) in a single pool of funds or in affiliated pools of**
24 **funds. The agreement or contract must provide for the pool**
25 **of funds to be managed by a professional investor. The**
26 **authority must specifically find that the professional investor**
27 **meets the requirements of IC 4-4-10.9-24.5 and is competent**
28 **to adequately monitor the pool. The authority may, by**
29 **guideline, limit or decline investment in funds that are not**
30 **Indiana or Midwest based. The authority may also limit or**
31 **decline investment in funds that do not commit to investing in**
32 **Indiana companies. The pool agreement or contract may**
33 **provide for reimbursement of expenses of, and payment of a**
34 **fee to, the manager. The agreement or contract may also**
35 **provide for payment to the manager of a percentage, not to**
36 **exceed forty percent (40%) (computed on an annual basis), of**
37 **cash and other property payable to the authority as its pro**
38 **rata share of distributions to investors in the pool of funds.**

1 **However, either:**

2 **(A) no amount shall be received by the manager upon sale**
 3 **or other disposition of assets of the pool until recovery by**
 4 **the authority of its investment, and upon liquidation or**
 5 **withdrawal of the authority from the pool of funds, the**
 6 **manager shall be obligated to refund any amount received**
 7 **by it from the manager's percentage if necessary to allow**
 8 **the authority to recover its investment; or**

9 **(B) the terms of payment of cash and other property to the**
 10 **authority must not be less favorable to the authority than**
 11 **payments to other investors (other than the manager) who**
 12 **are parties to the agreement or contract.**

13 **Sec. 11. A seven (7) member advisory board shall evaluate**
 14 **applications for loans or co-venture investments in the form of**
 15 **loans or guarantees in accordance with the criteria established in**
 16 **this chapter and any guidelines issued by the authority.**

17 **Sec. 12. The advisory board consists of the following:**

18 **(1) Three (3) members of the authority, other than the**
 19 **lieutenant governor or the lieutenant governor's designee,**
 20 **selected by the governor.**

21 **(2) Three (3) members of the twenty-first century research**
 22 **and technology fund board established by IC 4-4-5.1-6, other**
 23 **than the lieutenant governor or the lieutenant governor's**
 24 **designee, selected by the governor.**

25 **(3) The lieutenant governor or the lieutenant governor's**
 26 **designee.**

27 **A member selected by the governor under this section serves at the**
 28 **pleasure of the governor.**

29 **Sec. 13. The lieutenant governor or the lieutenant governor's**
 30 **designee shall serve as chair of the advisory board.**

31 **Sec. 14. The advisory board shall make recommendations to the**
 32 **authority, which shall make the final determination regarding**
 33 **investments.**

34 **Sec. 15. The advisory board shall keep the twenty-first century**
 35 **research and technology fund board apprised of its**
 36 **recommendations.**

37 **Sec. 16. The advisory board may request that the authority**
 38 **consult with and hire professionals on its behalf as the authority**

1 considers necessary to evaluate applications. The professionals
2 may be compensated from the fund or the applicant, or both.

3 **Sec. 17. (a) The advisory board is subject to IC 5-14-1.5.**

4 **(b) Subsections (c) through (e) apply to a meeting of the**
5 **advisory board at which at least four (4) members of the advisory**
6 **board are physically present at the place where the meeting is**
7 **conducted.**

8 **(c) A member of the advisory board may participate in a**
9 **meeting of the advisory board by using a means of communication**
10 **that permits:**

11 **(1) all other members participating in the meeting; and**

12 **(2) all members of the public physically present at the place**
13 **where the meeting is conducted;**

14 **to simultaneously communicate with each other during the**
15 **meeting.**

16 **(d) A member who participates in a meeting under subsection**
17 **(b) is considered to be present at the meeting.**

18 **(e) The memoranda of the meeting prepared under**
19 **IC 5-14-1.5-4 must also state the name of each member who:**

20 **(1) was physically present at the place where the meeting was**
21 **conducted;**

22 **(2) participated in the meeting by using a means of**
23 **communication described in subsection (c); and**

24 **(3) was absent.**

25 **Sec. 18. Members of the advisory board who have a conflict with**
26 **respect to a particular application, whether due to a relationship**
27 **with the business or the professional investor, must abstain from**
28 **discussion and voting on the application.**

29 **Sec. 19. Members of the advisory board are not entitled to**
30 **receive per diem. The member is, however, entitled to**
31 **reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under**
32 **IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection**
33 **with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and**
34 **procedures established by the Indiana department of**
35 **administration and approved by the budget agency.**

36 **Sec. 20. Each co-venture investment loan or guarantee or pool**
37 **participation agreement shall provide that the authority must be**
38 **repaid before or simultaneously with any distribution to**

1 participating professional or accredited investors. The authority
2 and participating professional or accredited investors must share
3 ratably in the profits earned in any form on the co-venture
4 investment. Unless the investment is a pooled investment, the
5 agreement must also provide that the professional or accredited
6 investor must share its initial due diligence report on the business
7 and any subsequent analysis of and information received about the
8 business.

9 **Sec. 21. An application for a direct loan or a co-venture**
10 **investment loan or guarantee from the fund must include the**
11 **following:**

- 12 (1) **Payment of a fee, as determined by the authority.**
- 13 (2) **A business plan, including a description of the business**
14 **and its management.**
- 15 (3) **A statement of the amount, timing, and projected use of**
16 **the capital required.**
- 17 (4) **A statement concerning the feasibility of the proposed**
18 **technology, product, process, or invention, its state of**
19 **development, and the likelihood of commercial success**
20 **(including intellectual property protection and licensing**
21 **arrangements for technologies).**
- 22 (5) **A statement of the potential economic impact of the**
23 **business on Indiana, including the number, location, and types**
24 **of jobs expected to be created.**
- 25 (6) **Financial projections.**
- 26 (7) **A listing of business and legal advisors engaged.**
- 27 (8) **Any other information that the authority or the advisory**
28 **board requires.**

29 **Sec. 22. In addition to consideration of the information provided**
30 **under section 21 of this chapter, the advisory board shall consider**
31 **the following factors in making its recommendation to the**
32 **authority:**

- 33 (1) **Whether the business has a reasonable chance of success.**
- 34 (2) **Whether the technology, product, process, or invention for**
35 **which the loan is being made is feasible and has the potential**
36 **to achieve commercial success.**
- 37 (3) **Whether the entrepreneur, investors, shareholders, and**
38 **other founders of the business have already made or are**

1 **obligated in writing to make a substantial financial and time**
2 **commitment to the enterprise.**

3 **Sec. 23. After the authority receives the recommendation under**
4 **section 22 of this chapter, the authority may approve an**
5 **application for a direct loan or co-venture investment loan or**
6 **guarantee only if the authority reviews the factors described in**
7 **section 22 of this chapter, the authority makes findings in the**
8 **affirmative relative to the factors described in section 22 of this**
9 **chapter, and the following have occurred:**

10 **(1) The authority determines that there is a reasonable**
11 **possibility that the authority will recoup its investment**
12 **within:**

13 **(A) ten (10) years after making the investment; or**

14 **(B) another period negotiated by the authority;**

15 **through the receipt of principal and interest payments or**
16 **other distribution of profits or royalties on investments made**
17 **by the authority.**

18 **(2) Binding commitments have been made to the authority by**
19 **the enterprise for adequate reporting of financial data to the**
20 **authority and any participating professional investors. The**
21 **report must include an annual audit of the books of the**
22 **enterprise by an independent certified public accountant if**
23 **required by the authority. The report must be prepared in**
24 **accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.**
25 **The authority and any participating professional or**
26 **accredited investors shall secure sufficient contractual rights**
27 **from the business as the authority shall consider prudent to**
28 **protect the investment of the authority, including, at the**
29 **discretion of the authority and without limitation, a right of**
30 **access to financial and other records of the business.**

31 **(3) If the loan is a co-venture investment loan or guarantee, a**
32 **binding commitment has been made to the business from a**
33 **participating professional or accredited investor in at least the**
34 **amount requested by the authority and the authority has a**
35 **written commitment from the participating professional or**
36 **accredited investor that the authority is to be repaid on its**
37 **co-venture investment loan or guarantee before or**
38 **simultaneously with any distribution to participating**

- 1 professional investors.
- 2 (4) The authority has:
- 3 (A) received a copy of the professional or accredited
- 4 investor's due diligence report on the business, including
- 5 its analysis of the factors in section 22 of this chapter and
- 6 this section; and
- 7 (B) determined the report to be adequate.
- 8 (5) The authority must find that the professional or accredited
- 9 investor meets the respective definition in IC 4-4-10.9-0.5 or
- 10 IC 4-4-10.9-24.5 and that the professional or accredited
- 11 investor is competent and adequately prepared to monitor the
- 12 progress of the business.
- 13 (6) If the co-venture investment is in the form of a loan
- 14 guarantee, the authority must make the following additional
- 15 findings:
- 16 (A) Sufficient reserves exist in the fund to support the loan
- 17 guarantee.
- 18 (B) The professional or accredited investor to whom the
- 19 guarantee is provided has made a commitment to keep the
- 20 authority informed on all aspects of the business receiving
- 21 the investment.
- 22 **Sec. 24. The authority, with recommendations from the advisory**
- 23 **board, may invest money in the fund in accordance with the**
- 24 **investment guidelines established by the authority. IC 4-22-2 does**
- 25 **not apply to these guidelines.**
- 26 **Sec. 25. Applicants that have received:**
- 27 (1) prior funding from the twenty-first century research and
- 28 technology fund; or
- 29 (2) favorable reviews during the peer review process
- 30 conducted on an application for funding from the twenty-first
- 31 century research and technology fund;
- 32 shall receive preference from the advisory board during the
- 33 application review process. The authority may, by guideline,
- 34 require that all applicants meet the requirement of either
- 35 subdivision (1) or (2).
- 36 **Sec. 26. The authority's interest in any single business in the**
- 37 **form of a loan or co-venture investment loan or guarantee may not**
- 38 **represent more than forty percent (40%) of the capitalization of**

1 the business.

2 **Sec. 27. Any documentary materials or data made or received**
3 **by any member, agent, or employee of the authority, to the extent**
4 **that the material or data consist of trade secrets, commercial**
5 **information, or financial information regarding:**

6 (1) the operation of any business conducted by an applicant
7 for, or recipient of, any form of assistance which the authority
8 is empowered to render; or

9 (2) the competitive position of the business in a particular
10 field of endeavor;

11 are confidential. Any discussion or consideration of the trade
12 secrets or commercial or financial information may be held by the
13 advisory board or the authority in executive sessions under
14 IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 if notice of the executive session is properly posted.

15 **Sec. 28. Proposals for the establishment of pools of funds must:**

16 (1) be submitted on a form; and

17 (2) contain the information;

18 prescribed by the authority.

19 **Sec. 29. The authority may not enter into any agreement or**
20 **contract regarding a pool of funds unless the agreement or**
21 **contract provides that the pool of funds is to be invested in an**
22 **enterprise only if the professional investor or manager finds all the**
23 **following:**

24 (1) The enterprise has a reasonable chance of success.

25 (2) The technology, product, process, or invention for which
26 the investment is being made is feasible and has the potential
27 to achieve commercial success.

28 (3) The entrepreneur, investors, shareholders, or founders of
29 the enterprise have made or are obligated to make a
30 substantial commitment of time and funds to the enterprise.

31 (4) That there is a reasonable opportunity that it will recoup
32 their investment within ten (10) years after the investment,
33 through the receipt of principal and interest, dividends,
34 capital gains, or other distributions of profit or royalties.

35 (5) The enterprise has made binding commitments for
36 adequate reporting of and access to financing data of the
37 enterprise.

38 **Sec. 30. The fund and all proceeds of the fund are public**

1 **property devoted to an essential public and governmental function**
 2 **and purpose and is exempt from all taxes and special assessments,**
 3 **direct or indirect, of the state or a political subdivision of the state.**
 4 **However, this exemption does not exempt an enterprise in which**
 5 **the authority has invested from state taxes or other taxes levied in**
 6 **connection with the manufacture, production, use, or sale of any**
 7 **technologies, products, processes, or inventions that are the subject**
 8 **of an agreement.**

9 SECTION 25. IC 4-4-31 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
 10 A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
 11 1, 2003]:

12 **Chapter 31. Tobacco Settlement Authority**

13 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "authority" refers to the tobacco**
 14 **settlement authority created in this chapter.**

15 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "board" refers to the governing**
 16 **board of the authority.**

17 **Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "bonds" means bonds, notes, and**
 18 **any other obligations and financing arrangements issued or**
 19 **entered into by the authority under this chapter and any such**
 20 **bonds, notes, obligations, or other financing arrangements entered**
 21 **into to refund the foregoing, whether on a current or an advance**
 22 **basis.**

23 **Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "financing costs" means**
 24 **capitalized interest, capitalized operating expenses, debt service**
 25 **reserves, operating reserves, and any cost of issuance, credit**
 26 **enhancement, swap agreement under IC 8-9.5-9, or item of expense**
 27 **directly or indirectly payable or reimbursable by the authority and**
 28 **related to the authorization, sale, or issuance of the bonds,**
 29 **including, but not limited to, underwriting fees and fees and**
 30 **expenses for professional consultants and fiduciaries.**

31 **Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "master settlement agreement"**
 32 **has the meaning set forth in IC 24-3-3-6.**

33 **Sec. 6. As used in this chapter, "net proceeds" means the**
 34 **amount of proceeds remaining following each sale of bonds that is**
 35 **not required by the authority to pay the financing costs.**

36 **Sec. 7. As used in this chapter, "qualifying statute" has the**
 37 **meaning set forth in the master settlement agreement. For**
 38 **purposes of this chapter, IC 24-3-3 is the qualifying statute.**

1 **Sec. 8. As used in this chapter, "residual interests" means the**
2 **income of the authority that is in excess of the authority's**
3 **requirements for its reserve fund or to pay its operating expenses,**
4 **debt service, whether at maturity or upon redemption, or any**
5 **other contractual obligations under any resolution or that may be**
6 **incurred in connection with the issuance of the bonds.**

7 **Sec. 9. As used in this chapter, "sales agreement" means any**
8 **agreement authorized under this chapter in which the state sells to**
9 **the authority a portion of the amounts and revenues required to be**
10 **paid by tobacco product manufacturers to the state and the state's**
11 **rights to receive the amounts and revenues under the master**
12 **settlement agreement.**

13 **Sec. 10. As used in this chapter, "state" means the state of**
14 **Indiana, acting by and through its budget agency, or any other**
15 **state agency, state office, or state officer required by law or**
16 **contract to act on behalf of the state of Indiana for a particular**
17 **purpose.**

18 **Sec. 11. (a) The general assembly declares it to be the public**
19 **policy of the state and a recognized governmental function to assist**
20 **in securitizing the revenue stream from the master settlement**
21 **agreement between the state and tobacco product manufacturers**
22 **in order to provide a current and reliable source of revenue for the**
23 **state. The purpose of this chapter is to establish a tobacco**
24 **settlement authority having the power to purchase certain rights**
25 **of the state under the master settlement agreement and to issue**
26 **nonrecourse revenue bonds.**

27 **(b) This chapter, being necessary for the welfare of the state and**
28 **its inhabitants, shall be liberally construed to effect the purposes**
29 **thereof.**

30 **(c) The general assembly hereby finds that the following**
31 **activities are necessary and proper and serve a public purpose or**
32 **purposes through the promotion of economic development,**
33 **education, health and general welfare, and that they will be of**
34 **benefit to the health and general welfare of the state and its**
35 **citizens:**

36 **(1) The creation of the authority.**

37 **(2) Entering into one (1) or more sales agreements.**

38 **(3) The sale to the authority of a portion of the amounts and**

1 revenues required to be paid by tobacco product
2 manufacturers to the state and the state's right to receive the
3 amounts and revenues under the master settlement
4 agreement.

5 (4) The issuance of bonds.

6 Sec. 12. The tobacco settlement authority is established and is a
7 public body corporate and politic, separate from the state, and not
8 a state agency. The exercise by the authority of its powers
9 constitutes an essential public and governmental function.

10 Sec. 13. (a) The powers of the authority are vested in and shall
11 be exercised by a board consisting of the following seven (7)
12 members:

13 (1) The governor, or the governor's designee, who serves as
14 chairperson.

15 (2) The lieutenant governor, or the lieutenant governor's
16 designee, who serves as vice chairperson.

17 (3) The treasurer of state, or the treasurer of state's designee.

18 (4) Four (4) members appointed by the governor who are
19 persons of known probity and who possess adequate capacity
20 for the performance of the duties of members of the authority.

21 Not more than two (2) of the members appointed under this
22 subdivision may be members of the same political party.

23 (b) The board shall elect from among the board's members the
24 other officers the board considers necessary or convenient.

25 (c) The term of the members of the board appointed by the
26 governor shall be four (4) years from the date of their
27 appointment, except that the terms of two (2) of the initial
28 appointees, as determined by the governor, shall be for two (2)
29 years from the date of their appointment.

30 (d) Each member of the board appointed by the governor:

31 (1) shall hold office for the term of the member's respective
32 appointment;

33 (2) shall continue to serve after the expiration of the
34 appointment until a successor is appointed and qualified;

35 (3) is eligible for reappointment; and

36 (4) serves at the pleasure of the governor and may be removed
37 from office by the governor at any time.

38 (e) The members of the board are not entitled to any

1 compensation for their services but are entitled to reimbursement
2 for actual and necessary expenses on the same basis as state
3 employees.

4 Sec. 14. Four (4) members of the board constitute a quorum.
5 Four (4) affirmative votes are required for the board to take
6 action.

7 Sec. 15. Meetings of the board shall be held in accordance with
8 IC 5-14-1.5 and at the call of the chair or when a majority of the
9 members of the board so requests.

10 Sec. 16. (a) This section applies to a meeting of the board at
11 which at least four (4) members of the board are physically present
12 at the place where the meeting is conducted.

13 (b) A member of the board may participate in a meeting of the
14 board by using a means of communication that permits:

15 (1) all other members of the board participating in the
16 meeting; and

17 (2) all members of the public physically present at the place
18 where the meeting is conducted;

19 to simultaneously communicate with each other during the
20 meeting.

21 (c) A member of the board who participates in a meeting under
22 subsection (b) is considered to be present at the meeting.

23 (d) The memoranda of the meeting prepared under
24 IC 5-14-1.5-4 must also state the name of each member of the
25 board who:

26 (1) was physically present at the place where the meeting was
27 conducted;

28 (2) participated in the meeting by using a means of
29 communication described in subsection (b); and

30 (3) was absent.

31 Sec. 17. Any member or employee of the authority who has, will
32 have, or later acquires an interest, direct or indirect, in any
33 transaction with the authority shall immediately disclose the
34 nature and extent of the interest in writing to the authority as soon
35 as the member or employee has knowledge of the actual or
36 prospective interest. The disclosure shall be announced in open
37 meeting and entered upon the minutes of the authority. Upon
38 disclosure, the member or employee shall not participate in any

1 **action by the authority authorizing the transaction. However, such**
 2 **an interest shall not invalidate actions by the authority with the**
 3 **participation of the disclosing member prior to the time when the**
 4 **member became aware of the interest.**

5 **Sec. 18. Subject to section 36 of this chapter, the authority may,**
 6 **without the approval of the attorney general or any other state**
 7 **officer, employ independent counsel, bond counsel, other attorneys,**
 8 **financial advisers, investment bankers, auditors, other technical or**
 9 **professional assistants, and such other officers, agents and**
 10 **employees (including an executive director), permanent or**
 11 **temporary, as the authority considers necessary or convenient to**
 12 **carry out the efficient operation of the authority and shall**
 13 **determine the qualifications, duties, compensation, and terms of**
 14 **service of all such persons. The chairperson may appoint the initial**
 15 **executive director. The executive director is the chief operating**
 16 **officer of the authority, and the board shall establish the executive**
 17 **director's duties and responsibilities, including the powers that the**
 18 **authority has under this section. The board may delegate to an**
 19 **officer of the authority, the executive director, or one (1) or more**
 20 **other employees or agents of the authority such duties and**
 21 **responsibilities as the board considers necessary or convenient,**
 22 **including the powers that the authority has set forth in this section.**
 23 **Employees of the authority shall not be considered employees of**
 24 **the state.**

25 **Sec. 19. (a) The authority shall:**

26 **(1) adopt:**

27 **(A) rules under IC 4-22-2; or**

28 **(B) a policy;**

29 **establishing a code of ethics for its employees; or**

30 **(2) decide it wishes to be under the jurisdiction and rules**
 31 **adopted by the state ethics commission.**

32 **(b) A code of ethics adopted by rule or policy under this section**
 33 **must be consistent with state law and approved by the governor.**

34 **Sec. 20. The authority has all the general powers necessary to**
 35 **carry out its purposes and duties and to exercise its specific**
 36 **powers. In addition to other powers specified in this chapter, the**
 37 **authority may:**

38 **(1) sue and be sued in the name of the authority;**

- 1 **(2) make and execute agreements, contracts, and other**
2 **instruments, with any public or private person, in accordance**
3 **with this chapter;**
- 4 **(3) invest monies held by the authority or on its behalf under**
5 **any trust agreement of the authority or otherwise in the**
6 **manner determined by resolution of the authority or under**
7 **the trust agreement (an investment under this subdivision is**
8 **not restricted by or subject to any other law);**
- 9 **(4) establish any general or special funds, accounts, or**
10 **subaccounts, and controls on deposits to and disbursements**
11 **from them, as it finds necessary, desirable, or convenient for**
12 **the implementation of this chapter;**
- 13 **(5) procure insurance, other credit enhancements, and other**
14 **financing arrangements for its bonds to fulfill its purposes**
15 **under this chapter, including but not limited to municipal**
16 **bond insurance and letters of credit;**
- 17 **(6) accept appropriations, gifts, grants, loans, or other aid**
18 **from public or private entities;**
- 19 **(7) establish a stable source of revenue to be used for the**
20 **purposes designated in this chapter;**
- 21 **(8) enter into one (1) or more sales agreements with the state**
22 **for purchase of a portion of the amounts and revenues due to**
23 **the state under the master settlement agreement and of the**
24 **state's rights to receive those amounts and revenues;**
- 25 **(9) issue bonds in one (1) or more series;**
- 26 **(10) sell, pledge, or assign, as security, all or a portion of the**
27 **revenues derived by the authority under any sales agreement**
28 **to provide for and secure the issuance of its bonds;**
- 29 **(11) manage its funds, obligations, and investments as**
30 **necessary and as consistent with its purpose;**
- 31 **(12) without complying with IC 4-22-2, adopt, amend, and**
32 **repeal bylaws, rules, and regulations not inconsistent with this**
33 **chapter and necessary or convenient to regulate its affairs and**
34 **to carry into effect the powers, duties, and purposes of the**
35 **authority and conduct its business; and**
- 36 **(13) exercise any other power reasonably required,**
37 **convenient, or desirable to implement the purposes of this**
38 **chapter.**

1 **The rule of law that any doubt as to the existence of a power of the**
 2 **authority shall be resolved against the existence of that power is**
 3 **abrogated. Any doubt as to the existence of a power of the**
 4 **authority shall be resolved in favor of its existence.**

5 **Sec. 21. The authority may not:**

- 6 **(1) exercise the power of eminent domain; or**
- 7 **(2) levy taxes of any kind.**

8 **Sec. 22. (a) The authority may issue its bonds in principal**
 9 **amounts as may be necessary or appropriate to provide sufficient**
 10 **funds for:**

- 11 **(1) the exercise of any of its powers or achievement of its**
 12 **purposes;**
- 13 **(2) the payment of debt service on its bonds;**
- 14 **(3) the establishment of debt service or operating reserves to**
 15 **secure the bonds;**
- 16 **(4) the costs of issuance of its bonds and credit enhancements,**
 17 **if any; and**
- 18 **(5) all other financing costs or other expenditures of the**
 19 **authority incident to and necessary to carry out its purposes**
 20 **or powers.**

21 **(b) The net proceeds of the bonds shall be deposited as follows:**

- 22 **(1) Five-sevenths (5/7) of the net proceeds shall be deposited**
 23 **in the Indiana growth fund established by IC 4-4-32-3.**
- 24 **(2) Two-sevenths (2/7) of the net proceeds shall be deposited**
 25 **in the state general fund.**

26 **However, the net proceeds of any refunding bonds shall be**
 27 **deposited in accordance with a trust agreement of the authority.**

28 **(c) Before issuing bonds under this chapter, the authority shall**
 29 **publish a notice of its determination to issue the bonds. The notice**
 30 **shall be published one (1) time in a newspaper published and of**
 31 **general circulation in each of the four (4) counties having the**
 32 **greatest population in Indiana. No action to contest the validity of:**

- 33 **(1) a series of bonds issued by the authority; or**
- 34 **(2) any sales agreement entered into by the authority and the**
 35 **state related to the bonds;**

36 **may be brought after the fifteenth day following the publication of**
 37 **the notice. If an action challenging the bonds or sales agreement is**
 38 **not brought within the time prescribed by this subsection, the**

1 **bonds or sales agreement shall be conclusively presumed to be fully**
2 **authorized and valid under the laws of the state and any person or**
3 **entity is estopped from further questioning the authorization,**
4 **validity, execution, delivery, or issuance of the bonds or the sales**
5 **agreement.**

6 **(d) The bonds, when issued, shall have all the qualities of**
7 **negotiable instruments, subject to provisions for registration,**
8 **under IC 26-1 and are incontestable in the hands of a bona fide**
9 **purchaser or owner of the bond for value. Bonds issued under this**
10 **chapter are exempt from the registration requirements of**
11 **IC 23-2-1 and any other state securities registration statutes.**

12 **(e) The authority's bonds shall:**

13 **(1) bear the date or dates;**

14 **(2) mature at the time or times;**

15 **(3) be in the denominations;**

16 **(4) be in the form;**

17 **(5) be registered or registrable in the manner;**

18 **(6) be made transferable, exchangeable, and interchangeable;**

19 **(7) be payable in the medium of payment and at the place or**
20 **places;**

21 **(8) be subject to the terms of redemption;**

22 **(9) bear the fixed or variable rate or rates of interest;**

23 **(10) be payable at the time or times; and**

24 **(11) be sold at a public or negotiated sale in the manner and**
25 **at the price or prices;**

26 **as the authority determines.**

27 **(f) The bonds shall be executed by one (1) or more officers of the**
28 **authority and by the trustee or paying agent. Execution of the**
29 **bonds may be by manual or facsimile signature.**

30 **(g) The bonds of the authority are subject to the terms,**
31 **conditions, covenants, and protective provisions that are found**
32 **necessary or desirable by the authority, including, but not limited**
33 **to, pledges of the authority's assets, setting aside of reserves, and**
34 **other provisions the authority finds are necessary or desirable for**
35 **the security of bondholders.**

36 **(h) Any pledge of revenues to be derived by the authority under**
37 **a sales agreement or from any other source, and the right to**
38 **receive revenues under a sales agreement or from any other**

1 source, or any pledge of a special fund, account, or subaccount
2 created by the authority, together with any investment earnings, is
3 valid and binding at the time the pledge is made. Property so
4 pledged is immediately subject to the lien of the pledge without any
5 physical delivery thereof or further act. The lien of such a pledge
6 is valid and binding as against all parties having claims of any kind
7 in tort, contract, or otherwise against the authority, regardless of
8 whether the parties have notice of the lien. Notwithstanding any
9 other provision of law to the contrary, the resolution or trust
10 agreement of the authority or any other instrument by which the
11 pledge is created need not be recorded or filed except in the
12 records of the authority to perfect the pledge.

13 (i) Neither a member of the board nor a person executing bonds
14 or notes issued under this article is liable personally on the bonds
15 or notes.

16 (j) The authority may, out of any funds or revenues available
17 therefor, purchase its bonds in the open market.

18 **Sec. 23. (a)** The bonds issued under this chapter by the authority
19 constitute the special obligations only of the authority and are
20 payable solely from and secured exclusively by the pledge by the
21 authority of certain funds and revenues and rights to receive funds
22 or revenues in accordance with this chapter. Neither the faith and
23 credit or taxing power of the state or any political subdivision of
24 the state is pledged to the payment of principal or interest on the
25 bonds. Each bond of the authority must plainly state on its face
26 that the bond does not constitute an indebtedness or lending of the
27 credit of the state within the meaning or application of any
28 constitutional provision or limitation but that it is payable solely as
29 to both principal and interest from the funds, revenues, and rights
30 pledged under this chapter. The provisions of this chapter and the
31 covenants and undertakings of the authority as expressed in any
32 proceedings preliminary to or in connection with the issuance of
33 the bonds may be enforced by a bondholder by action for
34 injunction or mandamus against the authority or any officer,
35 agent, or employee of the authority, but no action for monetary
36 judgment may be brought against the state for any violations of
37 this chapter.

38 (b) All property of the authority is public property devoted to

1 an essential public and governmental function and purpose and is
2 exempt from all taxes and special assessments, direct or indirect,
3 of the state or a political subdivision of the state. All bonds issued
4 under this chapter are issued by a body corporate and politic of
5 this state, but not a state agency, and for an essential public and
6 governmental purpose, and the bonds, the interest thereon, the
7 proceeds received by the holder from the sale of the bonds to the
8 extent of the holder's cost of acquisition proceeds received upon
9 redemption prior to maturity, and proceeds received at maturity
10 and the receipt of the interest and proceeds are exempt from
11 taxation in the state for all purposes except the financial
12 institutions tax imposed under IC 6-5.5 or a state inheritance tax
13 imposed under IC 6-4.1.

14 **Sec. 24.** Contracts entered into by the authority shall be entered
15 into in the name of the authority and not in the name of the state
16 of Indiana. The obligations of the authority under the contracts are
17 obligations only of the authority and are not in any way obligations
18 of the state of Indiana.

19 **Sec. 25.** Bonds issued under the provisions of this chapter are
20 hereby made securities in which all public officers and agencies of
21 the state, all insurance companies, banking associations,
22 investment companies, executors, administrators, trustees, and
23 other fiduciaries may properly and legally invest funds, including
24 capital in their control or belonging to them. These bonds are
25 hereby made securities that may properly and legally be deposited
26 with and received by any officer or agency of the state for any
27 purpose for which the deposit of bonds or obligations of the state
28 is now or may hereafter be authorized by law.

29 **Sec. 26. (a)** Without complying with any other law governing the
30 sale or disposition of property by the state, the state may sell and
31 assign to the authority, and the authority may purchase, all of the
32 state's right to receive a part not to exceed thirty-five percent
33 (35%) of the state's annual share of the amounts and revenues due
34 to the state under the master settlement agreement and of the
35 state's rights to receive those amounts and revenues. The state,
36 including the governor and the attorney general, may take any
37 action necessary or convenient to facilitate and complete the sale.
38 The authority may take any action necessary or convenient to

1 facilitate and complete the purchase.

2 (b) A sale and assignment made under this section is
3 irrevocable. All or a part of the amounts and revenues, and the
4 right to receive the amounts and revenues, sold to the authority
5 shall be pledged to the bondholders. The sale and assignment shall
6 constitute and be treated as a true sale and absolute transfer of the
7 property so sold and assigned and not as a pledge or other security
8 interest granted by the state for any borrowing. The
9 characterization of a sale and assignment as an absolute transfer
10 shall not be negated or adversely affected by the fact that only a
11 portion of the amounts and revenues due to the state under the
12 master settlement agreement is being sold and assigned, by the
13 state's acquisition or retention of an ownership interest in the
14 portion of the amounts and revenues due under the master
15 settlement agreement not so sold and assigned, or for any other
16 reason.

17 (c) The state hereby covenants and agrees with the holders of
18 any bonds that so long as any bonds of the authority issued under
19 this chapter are outstanding and unpaid, the state will not limit or
20 alter the rights vested in the authority to fulfill the terms of any
21 agreements made with, or make payments to, the holders of the
22 bonds or in any way impair the rights and remedies of the
23 bondholders, until the bonds, together with interest thereon, and
24 all costs and expenses in connection with any action or proceedings
25 by or on behalf of the bondholder are fully paid, satisfied, and
26 discharged.

27 (d) The terms of any sales agreement must provide that on and
28 after the effective date of the sale and assignment:

29 (1) the state shall have no right, title, or interest in the
30 property sold and assigned;

31 (2) the property sold and assigned is the property of the
32 authority and not the property of the state;

33 (3) the property sold and assigned shall be owned, received,
34 held, and disbursed by the authority or its trustee or assignee
35 and not by the state;

36 (4) none of the property sold and assigned shall be subject to
37 garnishment, levy, execution, attachment, or other process,
38 writ, (including writ of mandate), or remedy in connection

1 with the assertion or enforcement of any debt, claim,
2 settlement, or judgment against the state; and

3 (5) the portion of the amounts and revenues due under the
4 master settlement agreement that are sold and assigned to the
5 authority must be paid directly to the authority or its trustee
6 or assignee and shall not be considered money drawn from the
7 state treasury.

8 (e) Any sales agreement may include such other agreements and
9 covenants of the state as may be permitted by the constitution of
10 the state and as may be necessary or convenient for the sale and
11 assignment of the portion of the amounts and revenues due under
12 the master settlement agreement and the issuance of bonds to
13 finance the purchase by the authority.

14 (f) The state shall:

15 (1) notify the independent auditor and the escrow agent under
16 the master settlement agreement that a portion of the
17 amounts and revenues due under the master settlement
18 agreement has been sold and assigned to the authority; and

19 (2) irrevocably instruct the independent auditor and the
20 escrow agent that, after the date of the notice under
21 subdivision (1), the portion of the amounts and revenues due
22 under the master settlement agreement sold and assigned to
23 the authority is to be paid directly to the trustee under the
24 trust agreement of the authority for the benefit of the owners
25 of the bonds secured by a pledge of those amounts and
26 revenues until the bonds are no longer outstanding under the
27 resolution or trust agreement.

28 (g) For purposes of IC 4-12-1-14.3, the part of the amounts and
29 revenues due under the master settlement agreement that is sold
30 and assigned to the authority:

31 (1) is not money received by the state under the master
32 settlement agreement; and

33 (2) shall not be deposited in the Indiana tobacco master
34 settlement agreement fund.

35 **Sec. 27.** Members of the board, the officers and employees of the
36 authority, the agents of the authority, and any other persons
37 executing bonds issued under this chapter are not subject to
38 personal liability or accountability by reason of any act authorized

1 by this chapter, including, without limitation, the issuance of
2 bonds, the failure to issue bonds, the execution of bonds, and the
3 exercise of any other powers contemplated by this chapter.

4 **Sec. 28. (a)** The authority is prohibited from filing a voluntary
5 petition under chapter 9 of the federal bankruptcy code or any
6 corresponding chapter or section that may, from time to time, be
7 in effect. A governmental officer, governmental organization, or
8 other entity or person may not authorize the authority to be a
9 debtor under chapter 9 of the federal bankruptcy code or any
10 successor or corresponding chapter or sections.

11 **(b)** This section shall be part of any contractual obligation owed
12 to the holders of bonds issued under this chapter. Any such
13 contractual obligation shall not subsequently be modified by state
14 law before the date that is three hundred sixty-six (366) days after
15 the date upon which the authority no longer has any bonds
16 outstanding.

17 **Sec. 29.** The authority shall dissolve not later than two (2) years
18 from the date of final payment of all of its outstanding bonds and
19 the satisfaction of all outstanding obligations of the authority,
20 except to the extent necessary to remain in existence to fulfill any
21 outstanding covenants or provisions with bondholders or third
22 parties made in accordance with this chapter. Upon dissolution of
23 the authority, all of the authority's property shall be transferred
24 and assigned to the state and the authority shall execute all
25 necessary assignments and other documents as may be necessary
26 or convenient to transfer and assign its property to the state,
27 including the authority's right, title, or ownership interest in
28 amounts and revenues due under the master settlement agreement,
29 which amounts shall be deposited in the state general fund.

30 **Sec. 30.** Before issuing any bonds, the authority shall enter into
31 a sales agreement that includes the agreement of the state to:

- 32 (1) diligently enforce the authority's right to receive the
33 portion of the amounts and revenues due under the master
34 settlement agreement and sold under the sales agreement, to
35 the full extent permitted by the master settlement agreement;
36 (2) diligently enforce the qualifying statute as contemplated
37 by the master settlement agreement against all tobacco
38 product manufacturers that are selling tobacco products in

- 1 **Indiana and are not signatories to the master settlement**
 2 **agreement;**
 3 **(3) neither amend the master settlement agreement nor take**
 4 **any other action that would in any way:**
 5 **(A) alter, limit, or impair the authority's right to receive**
 6 **the portion of the amounts and revenues due under the**
 7 **master settlement agreement and sold under the sales**
 8 **agreement;**
 9 **(B) limit or alter the rights vested in the authority by this**
 10 **chapter or other law to fulfill its agreements with the bond**
 11 **owners; or**
 12 **(C) impair the rights and remedies of the bond owners or**
 13 **the security for the bonds;**
 14 **until the bonds, together with the interest on the bonds and all**
 15 **costs and expenses in connection with any action or**
 16 **proceedings by or on behalf of the bond owners, are fully paid**
 17 **and discharged (however, nothing in this subdivision shall be**
 18 **construed to preclude the state's regulation of smoking and**
 19 **taxation and regulation of the sale of cigarettes or other**
 20 **tobacco products);**
 21 **(4) not amend, supersede, or repeal the qualifying statute in**
 22 **any way that would violate section 26(c) of this chapter; or**
 23 **(5) take no action that would adversely affect the tax exempt**
 24 **status of any tax exempt bonds issued by the authority.**
 25 **Sec. 31. The authority shall contract with an independent**
 26 **certified public accountant for an annual financial audit of the**
 27 **authority. The certified public accountant shall present an audit**
 28 **report not later than seven (7) months after the end of each fiscal**
 29 **year of the authority.**
 30 **Sec. 32. The state board of accounts may at any time conduct an**
 31 **audit of the authority.**
 32 **Sec. 33. The authority shall submit copies of its annual budget**
 33 **and the audit report referred to in section 31 of this chapter to the**
 34 **budget director, the legislative council, and the state board of**
 35 **accounts.**
 36 **Sec. 34. Income or revenues of the authority not required to**
 37 **meet its obligations (including redemption obligations on its bonds)**

1 shall be paid over to the state general fund if directed by the
2 governor.

3 Sec. 35. (a) As used in this section, "sale portion" means the
4 portion of the punitive damage award payment that is equal to the
5 percentage determined under section 26 of this chapter.

6 (b) This section applies upon the entry of a judgment that
7 includes a punitive damage award in a civil action related to
8 tobacco products in which:

9 (1) the state or an agency of the state is the party to the action
10 receiving the award; and

11 (2) a tobacco manufacturer who participates in the master
12 settlement agreement is the party against whom the judgment
13 was entered.

14 IC 34-51-3-6 does not apply to such a punitive damage award.

15 (c) Upon entry of a judgment described in this section, the right
16 of the state or an agency of the state to receive the sale portion of
17 the punitive damage award payment described in this section is
18 assigned to the authority. For as long as this assignment is in effect,
19 any sale portion of a punitive damage award payment received by
20 the state, or an agency of the state, in settlement of a judgment
21 described in this section or as satisfaction or partial satisfaction of
22 a judgment to which this section applies shall be considered to be
23 held for the benefit of the authority and shall be remitted
24 immediately after receipt of the payment to the authority subject
25 to any pledge under this chapter.

26 (d) The authority may spend money received under this section
27 in accordance with this chapter, subject to any pledge under this
28 chapter.

29 (e) That portion of the punitive damages award in excess of the
30 sale portion under this section shall be paid to the state or an
31 agency of the state, as applicable, and used as otherwise provided
32 by law.

33 (f) The assignment under this section terminates upon the
34 earlier of the date on which:

35 (1) the authority is dissolved under section 29 of this chapter;

36 (2) all outstanding bonds and other agreements of the
37 authority have been paid in full or otherwise discharged; or

1 **(3) a state court has entered a final judgment from which no**
2 **further appeal is allowed ordering the judgment debtor**
3 **tobacco manufacturer to pay the state both its obligations**
4 **under the master settlement agreement and any punitive**
5 **damages to be paid to the state without setoff, credit, or**
6 **reduction of one (1) obligation on account of the other.**

7 **Sec. 36. (a) As used in this section, "bond service provider"**
8 **means any bond counsel, other attorney, financial adviser, senior**
9 **managing underwriter, or verification agent who provides bond**
10 **services.**

11 **(b) As used in this section, "bond services" includes legal,**
12 **financial, and other services by a bond service provider rendered**
13 **in conjunction with the issuance and sale of bonds. The term does**
14 **not include services provided by nationally recognized credit rating**
15 **agencies, co-managing underwriters and selling group members,**
16 **or forecasters of cigarette consumption and providers of similar**
17 **reports for use in an official statement or other disclosure**
18 **document in connection with the sale of bonds.**

19 **(c) If the authority determines that a bond service required by**
20 **the authority cannot be performed by employees of the authority,**
21 **the authority shall enter into a contract for the bond service with**
22 **a bond service provider. The authority shall have wide discretion**
23 **in establishing criteria for entering into contracts under this**
24 **section and selecting the bond service providers the authority**
25 **considers to be necessary or appropriate to provide bond services.**
26 **In the exercise of this discretion, the authority shall consider all**
27 **proposed fee schedules and the public interest in achieving issuance**
28 **and sale of bonds on terms and conditions most favorable to the**
29 **authority. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section to**
30 **the contrary, the general assembly finds that it is in the public**
31 **interest to enter into contracts for bond services with Indiana**
32 **based and minority and women's business enterprises.**

33 **(d) The authority shall seek responses to requests for**
34 **qualifications for a contract for bond services under this section.**
35 **Requests for qualifications for bond services must include the**
36 **following:**

37 **(1) The factors or criteria that will be used in evaluating the**
38 **responses.**

- 1 **(2) A statement concerning the relative importance of price**
2 **and the other evaluation factors.**
- 3 **(3) A statement concerning whether the response must be**
4 **accompanied by a certified check or other evidence of**
5 **financial responsibility.**
- 6 **(4) A statement concerning whether discussions may be**
7 **conducted with responsible respondents.**
- 8 **(e) The authority shall give public notice of the request for**
9 **qualifications for bond services by publication in the manner**
10 **required by IC 4-4-31-22(b) and shall also provide electronic access**
11 **to the notice through the electronic gateway administered by the**
12 **intelenet commission.**
- 13 **(f) Responses must be opened so as to avoid disclosure of**
14 **contents to competing respondents during the process of**
15 **negotiation.**
- 16 **(g) As provided in the request for qualifications or under the**
17 **rules or policies of the authority, discussions may be conducted**
18 **with, and best and final responses obtained from, responsible**
19 **respondents.**
- 20 **(h) Respondents must be accorded fair and equal treatment with**
21 **respect to any opportunity for discussion and revisions of**
22 **responses. In conducting discussions with a respondent,**
23 **information derived from responses submitted by competing**
24 **respondents may not be disclosed.**
- 25 **(i) The only factors or criteria that may be used in the**
26 **evaluation of responses are those specified in the request for**
27 **qualifications.**
- 28 **(j) The authority shall enter into a contract with the responsible**
29 **respondent whose response is determined in writing to be the most**
30 **advantageous to the authority, taking into consideration price and**
31 **other evaluation factors set forth in the request for qualifications.**
32 **The following provisions apply to the authority's determination as**
33 **to whether a respondent is responsible:**
- 34 **(1) If a respondent fails to provide information required by**
35 **the authority concerning a determination of whether the**
36 **respondent is responsible, that respondent may not be**
37 **considered responsible under this article.**

- 1 **(2) In determining whether a respondent is responsible, the**
 2 **authority may consider the following factors:**
- 3 **(A) The ability and capacity of the respondent to provide**
 4 **the bond service.**
- 5 **(B) The integrity, character, and reputation of the**
 6 **respondent.**
- 7 **(C) The competency and experience of the respondent.**
- 8 **(k) A register of responses must be:**
- 9 **(1) prepared for each contract entered into under this section;**
 10 **and**
- 11 **(2) open for public inspection after the execution of the**
 12 **contract.**
- 13 **(l) The register of responses must contain the following:**
- 14 **(1) A copy of the request for qualifications.**
- 15 **(2) A list of all persons to whom copies of the request for**
 16 **qualifications were given.**
- 17 **(3) A list of all responses received, which must include all of**
 18 **the following:**
- 19 **(A) The names and addresses of all respondents.**
- 20 **(B) The manner in which the amount payable to the**
 21 **respondent would be determined.**
- 22 **(C) The name of the successful respondent and the manner**
 23 **in which the amount payable to that respondent is to be**
 24 **determined.**
- 25 **(4) The basis on which the contract was entered into.**
- 26 **(5) The entire contents of the contract file except for**
 27 **proprietary information, such as trade secrets and financial**
 28 **information that was not required to be made available for**
 29 **public inspection by the terms of the request for**
 30 **qualifications.**

31 SECTION 26. IC 4-4-32 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
 32 A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
 33 1, 2003]:

34 **Chapter 32. Indiana Growth Fund**

35 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "authority" refers to tobacco**
 36 **settlement authority established by IC 4-4-31-12.**

37 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "fund" refers to the Indiana**
 38 **growth fund established by section 3 of this chapter.**

1 **Sec. 3. The Indiana growth fund is established to provide the**
2 **necessary money for projects and programs that will energize**
3 **Indiana economic development.**

4 **Sec. 4. The money from the following sources shall be deposited**
5 **in the fund:**

6 (1) **The net proceeds of bonds issued to securitize the**
7 **payments under the tobacco settlement agreement and**
8 **deposited in the fund under IC 4-4-31-22.**

9 (2) **Appropriations, if any, made to the fund by the general**
10 **assembly.**

11 (3) **Grants, gifts, and donations intended for deposit in the**
12 **fund.**

13 (4) **Interest that accrues from investment of money in the**
14 **fund.**

15 **Sec. 5. The fund shall be administered by the authority.**

16 **Sec. 6. The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid**
17 **from money in the fund. Interest that accrues from these**
18 **investments shall be deposited in the fund.**

19 **Sec. 7. The authority shall invest the money in the fund not**
20 **currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in conformity**
21 **with the investment policies established by the authority.**

22 **Sec. 8. Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does**
23 **not revert to the state general fund.**

24 **Sec. 9. Money in the fund may be used to:**

25 (1) **make the distributions authorized by the general**
26 **assembly; and**

27 (2) **pay the expenses of operating the authority and the**
28 **expenses of administering the fund.**

29 **Sec. 10. A distribution that is required to be made in a state**
30 **fiscal year must be made during that state fiscal year on the earlier**
31 **of:**

32 (1) **the schedule specified by the budget agency; or**

33 (2) **June 30.**

34 **Sec. 11. (a) If there is insufficient money in the fund for the**
35 **authority to make the total amount of transfers required by**
36 **sections 12 through 15 of this chapter for any state fiscal year, the**
37 **authority shall make transfers for that state fiscal year as directed**
38 **by the budget agency after review by the budget committee.**

1 **(b) If money subsequently becomes available to make both:**
 2 **(1) the total amount of transfers required by law in a state**
 3 **fiscal year, including the supplemental distribution required**
 4 **under section 12 of this chapter; and**
 5 **(2) one (1) or more transfers that were deferred or reduced**
 6 **under this section in a prior state fiscal year;**
 7 **the budget agency, after review by the budget committee, may**
 8 **direct the authority to make part or all of the deferred or reduced**
 9 **distribution for the purpose specified by law for that distribution**
 10 **in any state fiscal year before July 1, 2013.**

11 **Sec. 12. (a) In each state fiscal year beginning after June 30,**
 12 **2003, and ending before July 1, 2013, the authority shall distribute**
 13 **twenty-five million dollars (\$25,000,000) from the fund to the**
 14 **Indiana development finance authority established by IC 4-4-11-4.**

15 **(b) In addition, if, in any state fiscal year, the budget agency**
 16 **after review by the budget committee determines that the balance**
 17 **in the fund is greater than the amount necessary to make all**
 18 **distributions from the fund required by law, the budget agency**
 19 **shall direct the authority to make a supplemental distribution from**
 20 **the fund to the Indiana development finance authority established**
 21 **by IC 4-4-11-4. However, the supplemental distribution when**
 22 **added to the amount distributed under subsection (a) may not**
 23 **exceed thirty-six million dollars (\$36,000,000) in any state fiscal**
 24 **year.**

25 **(c) Money transferred to the Indiana development finance**
 26 **authority under this section:**

27 **(1) must be deposited either in:**
 28 **(A) the twenty-first century research and development**
 29 **fund (IC 4-4-5.1-3); or**
 30 **(B) the Indiana venture fund (IC 4-4-11.7-5); and**
 31 **(2) may be used only for the purposes of the twenty-first**
 32 **century research and development fund or the Indiana**
 33 **venture fund.**

34 **(d) Money that is deposited in or transferred to the twenty-first**
 35 **century research and development fund or the Indiana venture**
 36 **fund under this section and not currently needed to meet the**
 37 **obligations of the fund may be:**

- 1 **(1) used in a subsequent state fiscal year for the purposes of**
 2 **the fund in which it is deposited; or**
 3 **(2) transferred between the funds and used for the purposes**
 4 **of the fund to which the money is transferred in the state**
 5 **fiscal year in which it is transferred or a subsequent state**
 6 **fiscal year.**

7 **Sec. 13. In each state fiscal year beginning after June 30, 2003,**
 8 **and ending before July 1, 2013, the authority shall distribute four**
 9 **million dollars (\$4,000,000) from the fund to the treasurer of state**
 10 **for deposit in the technology development grant fund established**
 11 **under IC 4-12-11-8. Money distributed under this section to the**
 12 **technology development grant fund may be used only for the**
 13 **purposes of the technology development grant fund.**

14 **Sec. 14. In each state fiscal year beginning after June 30, 2003,**
 15 **and ending before July 1, 2013, the authority shall make the**
 16 **following annual distributions to the treasurer of state for deposit**
 17 **in the indicated funds:**

- 18 **(1) One million two hundred thousand dollars (\$1,200,000) for**
 19 **deposit in the rural development council fund (IC 4-4-9.5-4).**
 20 **(2) Six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000) for deposit in the**
 21 **value added research fund (IC 4-4-3.4-4).**
 22 **(3) Two million four hundred thousand dollars (\$2,400,000)**
 23 **for deposit in the rural development administration fund (IC**
 24 **4-4-9.3).**

25 **Money distributed under this section to a fund described in**
 26 **subdivisions (1) through (3) may be used only for the purposes of**
 27 **the fund to which it is distributed.**

28 **Sec. 15. The authority shall make the following distributions**
 29 **from the fund to the treasurer of state for deposit in the Indiana**
 30 **growth scholars fund in the following specified state fiscal years:**

- 31 **(1) Four million seven hundred thousand dollars (\$4,700,000)**
 32 **in the state fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003, and ending**
 33 **June 30, 2004.**
 34 **(2) Five million one hundred thousand dollars (\$5,100,000) in**
 35 **the state fiscal year beginning July 1, 2004, and ending June**
 36 **30, 2005.**

1 **(3) Five million six hundred thousand dollars (\$5,600,000) in**
 2 **the state fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005, and ending June**
 3 **30, 2006.**

4 **(4) Six million one hundred thousand dollars (\$6,100,000) in**
 5 **the state fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June**
 6 **30, 2007.**

7 **Money distributed under this section to Indiana growth scholars**
 8 **fund may be used only for the purposes of the Indiana growth**
 9 **scholars fund.**

10 **Sec. 16. This chapter expires June 30, 2013.**

11 SECTION 27. IC 4-12-11 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
 12 AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 13 JULY 1, 2003]:

14 **Chapter 11. Technology Development Grant Fund**

15 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "department" refers to the**
 16 **department of commerce established by IC 4-4-3-2.**

17 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "fund" refers to the technology**
 18 **development grant fund established by section 8 of this chapter.**

19 **Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "political subdivision" has the**
 20 **meaning set forth in IC 36-1-2-13.**

21 **Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "redevelopment commission"**
 22 **refers to a redevelopment commission established under**
 23 **IC 36-7-14-3 or a commission (as defined in IC 36-7-15.1-3) that**
 24 **establishes a technology park.**

25 **Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "technology park" refers to a**
 26 **certified technology park established under IC 36-7-32.**

27 **Sec. 6. As used in this chapter, "targeted employment" means**
 28 **employment in any of the following business activities:**

29 **(1) Advanced manufacturing, including the following:**

30 **(A) Automotive and electronics.**

31 **(B) Aerospace technology.**

32 **(C) Robotics.**

33 **(D) Engineering design technology.**

34 **(2) Life sciences, including the following:**

35 **(A) Orthopedics or medical devices.**

36 **(B) Biomedical research or development.**

37 **(C) Pharmaceutical manufacturing.**

38 **(D) Agribusiness.**

- 1 (E) Nanotechnology or molecular manufacturing.
- 2 **(3) Information technology, including the following:**
- 3 (A) Informatics.
- 4 (B) Certified network administration.
- 5 (C) Software development.
- 6 (D) Fiber optics.
- 7 **(4) Twenty-first century logistics, including the following:**
- 8 (A) High technology distribution.
- 9 (B) Efficient and effective flow and storage of goods,
- 10 services, or information.
- 11 (C) Intermodal ports.
- 12 **Sec. 7. As used in this chapter, "technology product" means a**
- 13 **product that involves high technology activity or otherwise**
- 14 **involves targeted employment.**
- 15 **Sec. 8. The technology development grant fund is established to**
- 16 **provide the necessary money for grants to redevelopment**
- 17 **commissions under this chapter and the administration of this**
- 18 **program.**
- 19 **Sec. 9. The fund shall be administered by the department.**
- 20 **Sec. 10. The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid**
- 21 **from money in the fund. Interest that accrues from these**
- 22 **investments shall be deposited in the fund.**
- 23 **Sec. 11. The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund**
- 24 **not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same**
- 25 **manner as other public funds are invested.**
- 26 **Sec. 12. Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does**
- 27 **not revert to the state general fund.**
- 28 **Sec. 13. The department shall establish a grant application**
- 29 **procedure for redevelopment commissions.**
- 30 **Sec. 14. To qualify for a grant under this chapter, a**
- 31 **redevelopment commission must:**
- 32 **(1) submit an application in the form prescribed by the**
- 33 **department;**
- 34 **(2) demonstrate that:**
- 35 **(A) the redevelopment commission has established a**
- 36 **technology park; and**

1 **(B) the grant being applied for under this chapter will**
 2 **assist the redevelopment commission in accomplishing the**
 3 **goals of the technology park under IC 36-7-32; and**

4 **(3) provide the other information required by the department.**

5 **Sec. 15. The department shall provide grants on a competitive**
 6 **basis from the fund to businesses that apply for a grant under this**
 7 **chapter. The department may select and fund part or all of an**
 8 **application request that:**

9 **(1) is submitted during an application period; or**

10 **(2) was submitted in a prior application period but not fully**
 11 **funded in that application period.**

12 **Sec. 16. (a) For purposes of this section, "operating**
 13 **expenditures" includes the following:**

14 **(1) Business plans.**

15 **(2) Marketing studies.**

16 **(3) Mentor identification.**

17 **(4) Securitization of capital.**

18 **(5) Legal services.**

19 **(6) Other necessary services.**

20 **(b) The total of all grants provided under this chapter for a**
 21 **technology park may not exceed the following:**

22 **(1) Two million dollars (\$2,000,000) for the leasing,**
 23 **construction, or purchase of capital assets.**

24 **(2) Two million dollars (\$2,000,000) for operating**
 25 **expenditures, and, subject to subsection (d), with not more**
 26 **than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) being**
 27 **distributed in any one (1) fiscal year.**

28 **(c) This subsection applies to a grant provided under subsection**
 29 **(b)(1) for the leasing of a capital asset. The grant may be applied**
 30 **only to lease payments made during:**

31 **(1) the fiscal year; or**

32 **(2) each of the three (3) fiscal years immediately following the**
 33 **fiscal year;**

34 **in which the grant is provided.**

35 **(d) The annual distribution of a grant under subsection (b)(2)**
 36 **may not exceed the following:**

37 **(1) Eighty percent (80%) of total operating expenditures in**
 38 **the fiscal year in which the grant is provided.**

1 **(2) Sixty percent (60%) of total operating expenditures in the**
 2 **fiscal year after the fiscal year in which the grant is provided.**

3 **(3) Forty percent (40%) of total operating expenditures in the**
 4 **second fiscal year after the fiscal year in which the grant is**
 5 **provided.**

6 **(4) Twenty percent (20%) of total operating expenditures in**
 7 **the third fiscal year after the fiscal year in which the grant is**
 8 **provided.**

9 **Sec. 17. A capital expenditure grant under this chapter shall**
 10 **require that the lesser of:**

11 **(1) two million dollars (\$2,000,000); or**

12 **(2) fifty percent (50%) of the total capital costs;**

13 **of the project being funded by the grant be matched from other**
 14 **sources.**

15 **Sec. 18. The department may, under rules established by the**
 16 **department of local government finance and the procedures**
 17 **established by the department, award grants from the fund to one**
 18 **(1) or more political subdivisions to reimburse the political**
 19 **subdivisions for ad valorem property taxes allocated to an**
 20 **allocation area as a result of a resolution adopted under**
 21 **IC 36-7-32-15.**

22 **Sec. 19. In addition to any other appropriation made for the**
 23 **purposes of the fund, the lesser of the amount transferred to the**
 24 **fund under IC 4-4-32 or four million dollars (\$4,000,000) is**
 25 **annually appropriated from the fund for the purposes of the fund**
 26 **in each of the state fiscal years beginning after June 30, 2003, and**
 27 **ending before July 1, 2013. The spending authority granted by an**
 28 **appropriation under this section does not expire at the end of the**
 29 **state fiscal year for which the appropriation is made but remains**
 30 **available for expenditure from the fund in any state fiscal year that**
 31 **ends before July 1, 2013.**

32 **SECTION 28. IC 6-3.1-25 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE**
 33 **AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE**
 34 **JANUARY 1, 2003 (RETROACTIVE)]:**

35 **Chapter 25. Internship Payroll Credit**

36 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "certified degree program" has**
 37 **the meaning set forth in IC 22-4.1-7-1.**

- 1 **Sec. 2.** As used in this chapter, "graduate" has the meaning set
2 forth in IC 22-4.1-7-5.
- 3 **Sec. 3.** As used in this chapter, "institution of higher learning"
4 has the meaning set forth in IC 20-12-29.5-4.
- 5 **Sec. 4.** As used in this chapter, "pass through entity" means:
6 (1) a corporation that is exempt from the adjusted gross
7 income tax under IC 6-3-2-2.8(2);
8 (2) a partnership;
9 (3) a limited liability company; or
10 (4) a limited liability partnership.
- 11 **Sec. 5.** As used in this chapter, "payroll expenditures" means
12 wages and other compensation reportable as taxable income to a
13 student or graduate.
- 14 **Sec. 6.** As used in this chapter, "state tax liability" means the
15 total tax liability incurred under:
16 (1) IC 6-3 (adjusted gross income tax);
17 (2) IC 6-5.5 (the financial institutions tax); and
18 (3) IC 27-1-18-2 (insurance premiums tax);
19 as computed after the application of the credits that under
20 IC 6-3.1-1-2 are to be applied before the credit provided by this
21 chapter.
- 22 **Sec. 7.** As used in this chapter, "student" has the meaning set
23 forth in IC 22-4.1-7-7.
- 24 **Sec. 8.** As used in this chapter, "targeted employment" has the
25 meaning set forth in IC 22-4.1-7-8.
- 26 **Sec. 9.** As used in this chapter, "taxpayer" means an individual
27 or entity that has state tax liability or is a pass through entity.
- 28 **Sec. 10.** (a) A taxpayer that during a taxable year:
29 (1) employs in targeted employment at least one (1) student or
30 graduate; and
31 (2) complies with the terms of the internship or postgraduate
32 component of a certified degree program through which the
33 student was placed with the taxpayer;
34 is entitled to a credit against the taxpayer's state tax liability in the
35 taxable year.
36 (b) A taxpayer that during a taxable year employs in targeted
37 employment a student or graduate of a certified degree program

1 is entitled to a credit against the taxpayer's state tax liability in the
2 taxable year.

3 **Sec. 11. A credit under this chapter is equal to the sum of:**

4 (1) five hundred dollars (\$500) for each targeted employment
5 position:

6 (A) filled by a student in or a graduate of a certified degree
7 program certified by the state student assistance
8 commission, in consultation with the department of
9 workforce development and the commission for higher
10 education under IC 22-4.1-7; and

11 (B) approved by the sponsoring institution of higher
12 learning; plus

13 (2) the lesser of:

14 (A) the payroll expenditures incurred by the taxpayer in
15 the taxable year to employ the student or graduate in
16 targeted employment; or

17 (B) five hundred dollars (\$500).

18 **Sec. 12. If the credit for which a taxpayer is eligible in a taxable**
19 **year under this chapter exceeds the taxpayer's state tax liability for**
20 **the taxable year, the taxpayer may carry over the excess to the**
21 **immediately following taxable years. The amount of the credit**
22 **carryover from a taxable year shall be reduced to the extent that**
23 **the carryover is used by the taxpayer to obtain a credit under this**
24 **chapter for any subsequent taxable year. A taxpayer is not entitled**
25 **to any carryback or refund.**

26 **Sec. 13. If a pass through entity does not have state income tax**
27 **liability against which the credit under this chapter may be**
28 **applied, a shareholder, partner, or member of the pass through**
29 **entity is entitled to a credit equal to:**

30 (1) the credit determined under this chapter for the pass
31 through entity for the taxable year; multiplied by

32 (2) the percentage of the pass through entity's distributive
33 income to which the shareholder, partner, or member is
34 entitled.

35 **Sec. 14. To receive a credit under this chapter, a taxpayer must**
36 **claim the credit on the taxpayer's state tax return in the manner**
37 **prescribed by the department. The taxpayer must submit to the**
38 **department proof of payment of the payroll expenditures and all**

1 information that the department determines is necessary to
2 determine the taxpayer's eligibility for the credit.

3 **Sec. 15. A taxpayer is not eligible to receive both a credit for an**
4 **employee under this chapter and a credit or deduction for the same**
5 **employee under any of the following:**

6 (1) **IC 6-3-3-10 (enterprise zone employment credit).**

7 (2) **IC 6-3.1-6 (prison investment credit).**

8 SECTION 29. IC 8-9.5-9-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.273-1999,
9 SECTION 45, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
10 JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "authority" means:

11 (1) an authority or agency established under IC 8-1-2.2 or
12 IC 8-9.5 through IC 8-23;

13 (2) the commission established under IC 4-13.5;

14 (3) only in connection with a program established under
15 IC 13-18-13 or IC 13-18-21, the bank established under IC 5-1.5;

16 **or**

17 (4) a fund or program established under IC 13-18-13 or
18 IC 13-18-21; **or**

19 (5) **the authority established under IC 4-4-31.**

20 SECTION 30. IC 8-9.5-9-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.273-1999,
21 SECTION 48, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
22 JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 8. (a) With respect to all leases and contracts
23 entered into by the authority with the Indiana department of
24 transportation, the Indiana department of administration, a fund or
25 program established under IC 13-18-13 or IC 13-18-21, or any other
26 entity to support obligations, the lease or contract may provide that
27 payments under a swap agreement are treated as a debt service on the
28 obligations or as additional rental or other payment due under the lease
29 or contract as the authority may determine.

30 (b) The authority may determine that payments under a swap
31 agreement may be integrated with payments on obligations for the
32 purpose of meeting any statutory requirements related to the issuance
33 of obligations. **The authority may also determine to secure its**
34 **payments under the swap agreement with the same collateral**
35 **securing the related obligations, either on a parity or a subordinate**
36 **basis.**

37 SECTION 31. IC 8-10-1-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
38 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 1. In order to promote

1 the agricultural, industrial and commercial development of the state,
 2 and to provide for the general welfare by the construction and
 3 operation, in cooperation with the federal government, or otherwise, of
 4 a modern port ~~on Lake Michigan and/or the Ohio River, and/or the~~
 5 ~~Wabash River,~~ **system** with terminal facilities to accommodate water,
 6 rail, truck, ~~and~~ air-borne, **and other forms of** transportation, the
 7 Indiana Port Commission is hereby authorized and empowered to
 8 construct, maintain and operate, in cooperation with the federal
 9 government, or otherwise, at such ~~location on Lake Michigan and/or~~
 10 ~~the Ohio River, and/or the Wabash River,~~ **locations** as shall be
 11 approved by the governor, **projects, including without limitation**
 12 public ports with terminal facilities and traffic exchange points
 13 **throughout Indiana** for all forms of transportation, giving particular
 14 attention to the benefits which may accrue to the state and its citizens
 15 from ~~the St. Lawrence Seaway,~~ **all forms of transportation,** and to
 16 issue ~~port~~ revenue bonds of the state payable solely from revenues, to
 17 pay the cost of such projects. **The commission's powers are not**
 18 **limited to ports and may be exercised throughout Indiana for**
 19 **projects that enhance, foster, aid, provide, or promote economic**
 20 **development, public-private partnerships, and other industrial,**
 21 **commercial, business, and transportation purposes.**

22 SECTION 32. IC 8-10-1-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
 23 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 2. As used in this
 24 chapter, the following words and terms shall have the following
 25 meanings, unless the context shall indicate another or different
 26 meaning or intent:

27 (a) The word "commission" shall mean the Indiana Port
 28 Commission created by section 3 of this chapter, or, if said commission
 29 shall be abolished, the board, body or commission succeeding to the
 30 principal functions thereof, or to whom the powers given by this
 31 chapter to the commission shall be given by law.

32 (b) The word "port" shall include **any combination of:**

33 (1) any place or places on Lake Michigan, the Ohio River, ~~and~~ the
 34 Wabash River, **or other water bodies,** natural or artificial, in
 35 which water-borne vessels capable of carrying articles of
 36 commerce over navigable bodies of water may be loaded,
 37 unloaded or accommodated; **and**

1 **(2) nonmaritime port and traffic exchange points throughout**
 2 **Indiana for the transfer of goods and passengers between all**
 3 **modes of transportation.**

4 (c) The words "~~port word~~ "project" shall include:

5 **(1) any facilities, adjuncts and appurtenances necessary or useful**
 6 **to operate a modern port, whether or not permanently situated**
 7 **at the port, including:**

8 (A) the dredging of approaches ~~thereto, and including, among~~
 9 ~~other things; but not limited to~~ **to a port; and**

10 (B) breakwaters, inner harbors, outer harbors, channels,
 11 canals, turning basins, docks, wharves, piers, quays, slips,
 12 loading, unloading, handling and storage equipment,
 13 warehouses, refrigerating plants and equipment, elevators for
 14 the handling and storage of grain, coal and other bulk
 15 commodities, terminal buildings or facilities, railroad
 16 equipment and trackage, roadways, airplane landing fields,
 17 parking lots, garages, automotive equipment, tugs, ferries,
 18 maintenance and construction vessels, communication
 19 systems, sewers, drains, works for the treatment of sewage,
 20 garbage and wastes, and the furnishing of utility service
 21 necessary to serve the property under the jurisdiction or
 22 control of the commission, and other buildings and facilities
 23 which the commission may deem necessary for the operation
 24 of the port; **and**

25 **(2) any other project located in Indiana, other than at a port,**
 26 **that the commission finds will enhance, foster, aid, provide, or**
 27 **promote economic development, public-private partnerships,**
 28 **and other industrial, commercial, business, and**
 29 **transportation purposes.**

30 (d) The word "cost" as applied to a port or ~~port~~ project ~~shall~~
 31 ~~embrace means:~~

32 **(1) the cost of construction;**

33 **(2) the cost of acquisition of all land, rights-of-way, property,**
 34 **rights, easements and interests, including lands under water and**
 35 **riparian rights acquired by the commission for ~~such~~ construction;**

36 **(3) the cost of demolishing or removing any buildings or**
 37 **structures on land so acquired, including the cost of acquiring any**
 38 **lands to which ~~such~~ buildings or structures may be moved;**

- 1 (4) the cost of relocating public roads;
 2 (5) **the cost of** land or easements ~~therefor~~, **for roads**;
 3 (6) the cost of all machinery and equipment;
 4 (7) financing charges;
 5 (8) interest prior to and during construction and for not exceeding
 6 two (2) years after the estimated date of completion of
 7 construction;
 8 (9) **the** cost of engineering and legal expenses, plans,
 9 specifications, surveys, **and** estimates of cost, traffic and
 10 revenues;
 11 (10) other expenses necessary or incident to determining the
 12 feasibility or practicability of constructing any such project;
 13 (11) administrative expense; and ~~such~~
 14 (12) other expenses as may be necessary or incident to the
 15 **acquisition or** construction of the project, the financing of ~~such~~
 16 **the acquisition or** construction, and the placing of the project in
 17 operation, **including the amount authorized in the resolution**
 18 **of the port commission providing for the issuance of port**
 19 **commission revenue bonds to be paid into any special funds**
 20 **from the proceeds of the bonds.**

21 (e) **Any obligation, cost, or expense incurred by any**
 22 **governmental agency or person for surveys, borings, the**
 23 **preparation of plans and specifications, and other engineering**
 24 **services, or any other cost described in this section that is incurred**
 25 **in connection with the acquisition or construction of a project may**
 26 **be regarded as part of the cost of the project and may be**
 27 **reimbursed out of the proceeds of port commission revenue bonds**
 28 **as authorized by this chapter.**

29 ~~(e)~~ (f) The word "owner" shall include all individuals,
 30 copartnerships, associations or corporations having any title or interest
 31 in any property, rights, easements and other interests authorized to be
 32 acquired by this chapter.

33 ~~(f)~~ (g) The word "revenues" shall mean all fees, tolls, rentals, gifts,
 34 grants, moneys and all other funds coming into the possession or under
 35 the control of the commission by virtue of the terms and provisions of
 36 this chapter, but shall not include real property or personal property
 37 other than money, nor the proceeds from the sale of bonds issued under
 38 provisions of this chapter.

1 ~~(g)~~ **(h)** The word "public roads" shall include all public highways,
 2 roads, and streets in the state, whether maintained by the state, county,
 3 city, township or other political subdivision.

4 SECTION 33. IC 8-10-1-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
 5 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 3. **(a)** There is hereby
 6 created a commission to be known as the "Indiana port commission"
 7 and by that name the commission may sue and be sued, and plead and
 8 be impleaded. The commission hereby created is a body both corporate
 9 and politic in the state of Indiana, and the exercise by the commission
 10 of the powers conferred by this chapter in the construction, operation
 11 and maintenance of a port **or** project shall be deemed and held to be
 12 essential governmental functions of the state, but the commission shall
 13 not however be immune from liability by reason thereof.

14 **(b)** The commission shall consist of seven (7) members, appointed
 15 by the governor, no more than four (4) of whom shall be members of
 16 the same political party. The members shall be residents of the state,
 17 and shall have been qualified electors therein for a period of at least
 18 five (5) years next preceding their appointment. The members of the
 19 commission first appointed shall continue in office for terms expiring,
 20 in the case of two (2) members, on July 1, 1962, and in the case of
 21 three (3) members, on July 1, 1963, July 1, 1964, and July 1, 1965, and
 22 the first two (2) members appointed after January 1, 1975, shall
 23 continue in office for terms expiring July 1, 1977, for one (1) member
 24 and July 1, 1979, for the other member, respectively, and until their
 25 respective successors shall be duly appointed and qualified. The term
 26 of any member of the commission first appointed shall be designated
 27 by the governor. The successor of each such member shall be
 28 appointed for a term of four (4) years, except that any person appointed
 29 to fill a vacancy shall be appointed to serve only for the unexpired
 30 term, and a member of the commission shall be eligible for
 31 reappointment. The governor may at any time remove any member of
 32 the commission for misfeasance, nonfeasance, or malfeasance in office.
 33 The members of the commission shall, within ten (10) days after their
 34 appointment, meet and qualify by subscribing an oath to discharge
 35 honestly and faithfully the duties of their office as members of such
 36 commission. The commission shall thereafter elect one (1) of the
 37 members as chairman and another as vice-chairman, and shall appoint
 38 a secretary-treasurer who need not be a member of the commission.

1 Four (4) members of the commission shall constitute a quorum and the
2 affirmative vote of four (4) members shall be necessary for any official
3 action taken by the commission. No vacancy in the membership of the
4 commission shall impair the rights of a quorum to exercise all the
5 rights and perform all the duties of the commission.

6 (c) Before the issuance of any ~~port~~ revenue bonds under the
7 provisions of this chapter, each appointed member of the commission
8 shall give a surety bond to the state in the penal sum of twenty-five
9 thousand dollars (\$25,000) and the secretary-treasurer shall give a
10 surety bond to the state in the penal sum of fifty thousand dollars
11 (\$50,000). Each such surety bond ~~to~~ **must** be conditioned upon the
12 faithful performance of the duties of the office, to be executed by a
13 surety company authorized to transact business in the state as surety
14 and to be approved by the governor and filed in the office of the
15 secretary of state.

16 (d) Each appointed member of the commission shall receive an
17 annual salary of seven thousand, five hundred dollars (\$7,500), payable
18 in monthly instalments. However, no members of such commission as
19 appointed hereunder shall receive any salary except a per diem as fixed
20 and approved by the budget director until said commission is able to
21 carry on the full operations as intended by this chapter, and the budget
22 director, subject to the approval of the governor of the state of Indiana,
23 shall determine when said salaries for said commission members shall
24 commence. ~~The governor shall, however, appoint said members as~~
25 ~~herein provided within a period of sixty (60) days following the~~
26 ~~effective date of this chapter.~~

27 (e) Each member shall be reimbursed for ~~his~~ **the member's** actual
28 expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of ~~his~~ **the member's**
29 duties.

30 (f) All expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of this
31 chapter shall be payable solely from funds provided under the authority
32 of this chapter and no liability or obligation shall be incurred by the
33 commission hereunder beyond the extent to which moneys shall have
34 been provided under the authority of this chapter.

35 SECTION 34. IC 8-10-1-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
36 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 4. ~~Port~~ Revenue bonds
37 issued under the provisions of this chapter shall not be deemed to
38 constitute a debt of the state or of any political subdivision thereof or

1 a pledge of the faith and credit of the state or of any such political
 2 subdivision, but such bonds shall be payable solely from the funds
 3 pledged for their payment as authorized in this chapter, unless such
 4 bonds are refunded by refunding bonds, issued under the provisions of
 5 this chapter, which refunding bonds shall be payable solely from funds
 6 pledged for their payment as authorized herein. All such revenue bonds
 7 shall contain on the face thereof a statement to the effect that the bonds,
 8 as to both principal and interest, are not an obligation of the state of
 9 Indiana, or of any political subdivision thereof, but are payable solely
 10 from revenues pledged for their payment. All expenses incurred in
 11 carrying out the provisions of this chapter shall be payable solely from
 12 funds provided under the authority of this chapter and nothing in this
 13 chapter contained shall be construed to authorize the commission to
 14 incur indebtedness or liability on behalf of or payable by the state or
 15 any political subdivision thereof.

16 SECTION 35. IC 8-10-1-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
 17 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 5. (a) The Indiana port
 18 commission may:

19 (1) prepare sketches, plans, and descriptive material relating to
 20 ~~such~~ ports or ~~port~~ projects, as in its discretion may seem feasible,
 21 to compile data and prepare literature as to the necessity or
 22 advisability thereof, and to do other acts and things it considers
 23 necessary to promote ~~such public port or port~~ **the ports or**
 24 projects and deems to be in the public interest;

25 (2) carry on, in its discretion, negotiations and enter into
 26 agreements and contracts with the federal government or agencies
 27 of the federal government or an authority established under
 28 IC 36-7-23 for the building and construction of public ports
 29 including terminal facilities, to be located within Indiana, on Lake
 30 Michigan, the Ohio River, the Wabash River, or in waters
 31 adjacent to Indiana;

32 (3) locate and acquire a suitable ~~site~~ **sites** for ~~such public port or~~
 33 ~~port ports or~~ projects;

34 (4) construct, develop, maintain, and operate the same in
 35 cooperation with the federal government, any agency of the
 36 federal government, a corporation established under IC 36-7-23,
 37 or otherwise, in such a manner and on such terms as will, in the

- 1 discretion of the commission, best serve the commercial,
- 2 industrial, and agricultural interests of the state;
- 3 (5) provide adequate port and terminal facilities to accommodate
- 4 water, rail, truck, ~~and~~ airborne **and other forms of** transportation;
- 5 and
- 6 (6) provide a traffic exchange point for all forms of transportation,
- 7 giving particular attention to the benefits which may accrue to the
- 8 state and its citizens by the opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway
- 9 and river transportation.

10 (b) The title to all property included in any port **or** project shall be
 11 taken in the name of, and shall be in, the state of Indiana.

12 SECTION 36. IC 8-10-1-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
 13 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 7. The commission is
 14 authorized and empowered **to do the following:**

- 15 (1) To adopt bylaws for the regulation of its affairs and the
- 16 conduct of its business.
- 17 (2) To adopt an official seal which shall not be the seal of the
- 18 state of Indiana.
- 19 (3) To maintain a principal office and sub-offices at such place or
- 20 places within the state as it may designate.
- 21 (4) To sue and be sued, and to plead and be impleaded in its own
- 22 name. However, actions at law against the commission shall be
- 23 brought in the circuit court of the county in which the principal
- 24 office of the commission is located or in the circuit court of the
- 25 county in which the cause of action arose, if the county is located
- 26 within the state. All summonses and legal notices of every kind
- 27 shall be served on the commission by leaving a copy thereof at the
- 28 principal office of the commission with the person in charge
- 29 thereof or with the secretary of the commission. However, no such
- 30 action shall be deemed commenced until a copy of the summons
- 31 and complaint, cross complaint, petition, bill, or pleading is
- 32 served upon the attorney general of Indiana.
- 33 (5) To acquire, lease, construct, maintain, repair, police, and
- 34 operate a port or ~~port~~ project as provided in this chapter, and to
- 35 establish rules and regulations for the use of ~~such the~~ port or ~~port~~
- 36 project, and other property subject to the jurisdiction and control
- 37 of the commission.

- 1 (6) To issue ~~port both taxable and tax exempt~~ revenue bonds of
 2 the state, payable solely from revenues, as herein provided, for the
 3 purpose of paying all or any part of the cost of a port or ~~port~~
 4 project.
- 5 (7) To acquire, lease, and operate tug boats, locomotives, and any
 6 and every kind of motive power and conveyances or appliances
 7 necessary or proper to carry passengers, goods, wares,
 8 merchandise, or articles of commerce in, on, or around the port or
 9 ~~port~~ project.
- 10 (8) To fix and revise from time to time and to collect fees, rentals,
 11 tolls, and other charges for the use of any port or ~~port~~ project.
- 12 (9) To acquire, obtain option on, hold, and dispose of real and
 13 personal property in the exercise of its powers and the
 14 performance of its duties under this chapter.
- 15 (10) To designate the location and establish, limit, and control
 16 points of ingress to and egress from ~~the a port property. or~~
 17 **project.**
- 18 (11) To lease to others for development or operation such portions
 19 of any port or port project, on such terms and conditions as the
 20 commission shall deem advisable.
- 21 (12) To make and enter into all contracts, undertakings, and
 22 agreements necessary or incidental to the performance of its
 23 duties and the execution of its powers under this chapter. When
 24 the cost of any such contract for construction, or for the purchase
 25 of equipment, materials, or supplies, involves an expenditure of
 26 more than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), the
 27 commission shall make a written contract with the lowest and best
 28 bidder after advertisement for not less than two (2) consecutive
 29 weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in ~~Marion County,~~
 30 **Indiana; the county where the construction will occur** and in
 31 such other publications as the commission shall determine. The
 32 notice shall state the general character of the work and the general
 33 character of the materials to be furnished, the place where plans
 34 and specifications therefor may be examined, and the time and
 35 place of receiving bids. Each bid shall contain the full name of
 36 every person or company interested in it and shall be
 37 accompanied by a sufficient bond or certified check on a solvent
 38 bank that if the bid is accepted a contract will be entered into and

1 the performance of its proposal secured. The commission may
 2 reject any and all bids. A bond with good and sufficient surety as
 3 shall be approved by the commission, shall be required of all
 4 contractors in an amount equal to at least fifty percent (50%) of
 5 the contract price conditioned upon the faithful performance of
 6 the contract.

7 **(13) To construct, assemble, or otherwise build, own, lease,**
 8 **operate, manage, or otherwise control any project throughout**
 9 **Indiana for the purpose of promoting economic growth and**
 10 **development throughout Indiana, retaining existing**
 11 **employment within Indiana, and attracting new employment**
 12 **opportunities within Indiana.**

13 ~~(13)~~ **(14)** To employ an executive director or manager, consulting
 14 engineers, superintendents, and such other engineers, construction
 15 and accounting experts, attorneys, and other employees and
 16 agents as may be necessary in its judgment, and to fix their
 17 compensation, but no compensation of any employee of the
 18 commission shall exceed the compensation of the highest paid
 19 officer or employee of the state. However, the employment of an
 20 attorney shall be subject to such approval of the attorney general
 21 as may be required by law.

22 ~~(14)~~ **(15)** To receive and accept from any federal agency grants
 23 for or in aid of the construction of any port or ~~port~~ project, and to
 24 receive and accept aid or contributions from any source of either
 25 money, property, labor, or other things of value, to be held, used,
 26 and applied only for the purposes for which such grants and
 27 contributions may be made.

28 ~~(15)~~ **(16)** To provide coverage for its employees under the
 29 provisions of IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6, and IC 22-4.

30 ~~(16)~~ **(17)** To do all acts and things necessary or proper to carry out
 31 the powers expressly granted in this chapter. ~~and~~

32 ~~(17)~~ **(18)** To hold, use, administer, and expend such sum or sums
 33 as may herein or hereafter be appropriated or transferred to the
 34 commission.

35 SECTION 37. IC 8-10-1-8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
 36 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 8. If the commission
 37 shall find it necessary to change the location of any portion of any
 38 public road, **highway**, railroad, or public utility facility, it shall cause

1 the same to be reconstructed at such location as the division of
2 government having jurisdiction over such road, highway, railroad or
3 public utility facility shall deem most favorable and of substantially the
4 same type and in as good condition as the original road, highway, or
5 railroad or public utility facility. The cost of such reconstruction,
6 relocation, or removal and any damage incurred in changing the
7 location of any such road, highway, railroad, or public utility facility,
8 shall be ascertained and paid by the commission as a part of the cost of
9 ~~such the~~ port or ~~port~~ project. The commission shall have authority to
10 petition the circuit court of the county wherein is situated any public
11 road or part thereof, affected by the location therein of any port or ~~port~~
12 project, for the vacation or relocation of such road or any part thereof
13 with the same force and effect as statutes in effect on March 2, 1961,
14 to the inhabitants of any municipality or governmental subdivision of
15 the state. The proceedings upon such petition, whether it be for the
16 appointment of appraisers or otherwise, shall be the same as provided
17 by statutes in effect on March 2, 1961, for similar proceedings upon
18 such petitions. In addition to the foregoing powers, the commission and
19 its authorized agents and employees, after proper notice, may enter
20 upon any lands, waters, and premises in the state for the purpose of
21 making surveys, soundings, drillings, and examinations as are
22 necessary or proper for the purposes of this chapter, and such entry
23 shall not be deemed a trespass, nor shall an entry for such purpose be
24 deemed an entry under any condemnation proceedings which may be
25 then pending; provided, that before entering upon the premises of any
26 railroad, notice shall be given to the superintendent of such railroad
27 involved at least five (5) days in advance of such entry, and provided,
28 that no survey, sounding, drilling, and examination shall be made
29 between the rails, or so close to a railroad track, as would render said
30 track unusable. The commission shall make reimbursement for any
31 actual damage resulting to such lands, waters, and premises and to
32 private property located in, on, along, over, or under such lands, waters
33 and premises, as a result of such activities. The state of Indiana, subject
34 to the approval of the governor, hereby consents to the use of lands
35 owned by it, including lands lying under water and riparian rights,
36 which are necessary or proper for the construction or operation of any
37 port or ~~port~~ project, provided adequate compensation is made for such
38 use. The commission shall also have power to make reasonable

1 regulations for the installation, construction, maintenance, repair,
2 renewal, relocation, and removal of tracks, pipes, mains, conduits,
3 cables, wires, towers, poles, and other equipment and appliances
4 (referred to in this section as "public utility facilities") of any public
5 utility in, on, along, over, or under any port or ~~port~~ project. Whenever
6 the commission shall determine that it is necessary that any such public
7 utility facilities which are, on or after March 2, 1961, located in, on,
8 along, over, or under any ~~such~~ port or ~~port~~ project should be relocated
9 or should be removed from ~~such the~~ port or ~~port~~ project, the public
10 utility owning or operating such facilities shall relocate or remove the
11 same in accordance with the order of the commission. ~~provided;~~
12 However, ~~that~~ the cost and expenses of such relocation or removal,
13 including the cost of installing such facilities in a new location or new
14 locations, and the cost of any lands, or any rights or interests in lands,
15 and any other rights, acquired to accomplish such relocation or
16 removal, shall be ascertained and paid by the commission as a part of
17 the cost of ~~such the~~ port or ~~port~~ project, excepting, however, cases in
18 which such equipment or facilities are located within the limits of
19 highways or public thoroughfares being constructed, reconstructed, or
20 improved under the provisions of this chapter. In case of any such
21 relocation or removal of facilities, the public utility owning or
22 operating the same, its successors or assigns, may maintain and operate
23 such facilities, with the necessary appurtenances, in the new location
24 or new locations, for as long a period, and upon the same terms and
25 conditions, as it had the right to maintain and operate such facilities in
26 their former location or locations subject, however, to the state's right
27 of regulation under its police powers.

28 SECTION 38. IC 8-10-1-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
29 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 9. (a) The commission
30 shall have power to adopt such by-laws, rules and regulations as it may
31 deem advisable for the control and regulation of any port or ~~port~~ project
32 or traffic on any port or ~~port~~ project, for the protection of and
33 preservation of property under its jurisdiction and control, and for the
34 maintenance and preservation of good order within the property under
35 its control, and such by-laws, rules and regulations shall be published
36 in a newspaper of general circulation in Marion County, Indiana, and
37 in such other manner as the commission shall prescribe; however, such
38 rules and regulations shall provide that public officers shall be afforded

1 ready access, while in performance of their official duty, to all property
 2 under the jurisdiction or control of the commission without the
 3 payment of tolls.

4 (b) Such rules and regulations adopted under this section shall be
 5 adopted under IC 4-22-2.

6 (c) A person who violates a rule or regulation of the commission
 7 commits a Class C infraction.

8 SECTION 39. IC 8-10-1-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
 9 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 10. (a) The commission
 10 is hereby authorized and empowered to acquire by purchase whenever
 11 it shall deem such purchase expedient, any land, property, rights,
 12 right-of-ways, franchises, easements and other interests in lands,
 13 including lands under water and riparian rights, as it may deem
 14 necessary or convenient for the construction and operation of any port
 15 or port project, upon such terms and at such price as may be considered
 16 by it to be reasonable and can be agreed upon between the commission
 17 and the owner thereof, and to take title thereto in the name of the state.

18 (b) The commission is hereby further authorized and empowered to
 19 sell, transfer and convey any such land or any interest therein so
 20 acquired, or any portion thereof, when the same shall no longer be
 21 needed for such purposes. ~~and it~~ **The commission** is further authorized
 22 and empowered to transfer and convey any such lands or interest
 23 therein as may be necessary or convenient for the construction and
 24 operation of any port or port project, or as otherwise required under the
 25 provisions of this chapter. ~~Provided, That~~ **However**, no such sale shall
 26 be made without **first obtaining** the approval of the Governor, ~~first~~
 27 ~~obtained~~ and **a sale may not be made** at ~~not~~ less than the appraised
 28 value established by three **(3)** independent appraisers appointed by the
 29 Governor. The commission shall be authorized to restrict the use of any
 30 land so sold by it and provide for a reversion to the commission in the
 31 event the land shall not be used for the purpose represented by the
 32 purchaser, and such restrictions and reversions shall be set out in
 33 appropriate covenants in the deeds of conveyance, which deeds shall
 34 be subject to the approval of the Governor.

35 (c) The commission shall also be authorized to lease, or grant
 36 options to lease, to others for development any portion of the land
 37 owned by the commission, on such terms as the commission shall
 38 determine to be advantageous. All such leases or options to lease which

1 leases cover a period of more than four (4) years shall be subject to the
 2 approval of the Governor. Leases of lands under the jurisdiction or
 3 control of the commission shall be made only for such uses and
 4 purposes as are calculated to contribute to the growth and development
 5 of ~~the port and ports~~, terminal facilities, **and projects** under the
 6 jurisdiction or control of the commission. In the event the commission
 7 shall lease to others a building or structure financed by the issuance of
 8 revenue bonds the rental shall be in an amount at least sufficient to pay
 9 the interest on and principal of the amount of such bonds representing
 10 the cost of such building or structure to the extent such interest and
 11 principal is payable during the term of the lease, as well as to pay the
 12 cost of maintenance, repair and insurance for such building and a
 13 reasonable portion of the commission's administrative expense incurred
 14 during the term of the lease which is allocable to such building or
 15 structure.

16 **(d) No tenant, lessee, licensee, owner of real estate located within**
 17 **a port or project, or other person or entity has any right, claim,**
 18 **title, or interest in any real estate, personal property, or common**
 19 **property owned by the commission, a port, a project, or the state,**
 20 **unless a written agreement entered into by the commission**
 21 **expressly provides:**

- 22 **(1) the exact nature and extent of the right, claim, title, or**
 23 **interest;**
 24 **(2) all the conditions under which the right, claim, title, or**
 25 **interest is granted; and**
 26 **(3) a legal or complete description of the specific property.**

27 SECTION 40. IC 8-10-1-11 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
 28 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 11. The commission is
 29 hereby authorized and empowered to acquire by appropriation, under
 30 the provisions of the eminent domain law of the state, any land,
 31 including lands under water and riparian rights, property, rights,
 32 rights-of-way, franchises, easements, or other property necessary or
 33 proper for the construction or the efficient operation of any port or ~~port~~
 34 project. The commission shall also be empowered to exercise such
 35 powers of eminent domain as may be conferred upon the commission
 36 by an act of Congress of the United States now in force, or which may
 37 hereafter be enacted. Title to the property condemned shall be taken in
 38 the name of the state of Indiana. Nothing herein shall authorize the

1 commission to take or disturb property or facilities constituting all or
2 part of any presently existing or operating public port and nothing
3 herein shall authorize the commission to take or disturb property or
4 facilities belonging to any public utility or to a common carrier engaged
5 in interstate commerce, which property or facilities are required for the
6 proper and convenient operation of such public utility or common
7 carrier, unless provision is made for the restoration, relocation or
8 duplication of such property or facilities elsewhere at the sole cost of
9 the commission excepting however, cases in which such equipment or
10 facilities are located within the limits of existing highways or public
11 thoroughfares.

12 SECTION 41. IC 8-10-1-12 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
13 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 12. (a) A special and
14 distinct revolving fund is hereby created, to be known as the Indiana
15 port fund. Expenditures from said fund shall be made only for the
16 acquisition of land including lands under water and riparian rights, or
17 options for the purchase of such land for a port **or project** site, and
18 incidental expenses incurred in connection with such acquisition, and
19 for studies in connection with the port **or project**, and including
20 administrative expenses of the commission. Said fund shall be held in
21 the name of the Indiana port commission, shall be administered by the
22 commission, and all expenditures therefrom shall be made by the
23 commission, subject, however, to the approval by governor and the
24 state budget committee of all expenditures of moneys advanced to said
25 fund by the state of Indiana. Requests for such approval shall be made
26 in such form as shall be prescribed by the budget committee, but
27 expenditures for acquisition of land including lands under water and
28 riparian rights, or options for the purchase of such land, shall be
29 specifically requested and approved as to the land to be acquired and
30 the amount to be expended. No transfers from said fund to any other
31 fund of the state shall be made except pursuant to legislative action. All
32 unexpended funds appropriated to the Indiana board of public harbors
33 and terminals by Acts 1957, c.286, s.6, are hereby transferred to and
34 made a part of the Indiana port fund created by this section, and shall
35 be expended for the purpose and in the manner provided by this
36 chapter, subject only to the restrictions contained in this chapter and no
37 others; provided, however, that not to exceed one hundred thousand
38 dollars (\$100,000) shall be expended for any purpose other than the

1 acquisition of land, including lands under water and riparian rights, or
2 options for the purchase of such land for a port **or project** site, and
3 incidental expenses incurred in connection with such acquisition.

4 (b) Upon the sale of **port** revenue bonds for any port **or project**, the
5 funds expended from the Indiana port fund in connection with the
6 development of such **port or project** and any obligation or expense
7 incurred by the commission for surveys, preparation of plans and
8 specifications, and other engineering or other services in connection
9 with development of such **port or project** shall be reimbursed to the
10 state general fund from the proceeds of such bonds.

11 SECTION 42. IC 8-10-1-13 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
12 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 13. (a) The commission
13 is hereby authorized to provide by resolution, at one **(1)** time or from
14 time to time, for the issuance of **port** revenue bonds of the state for the
15 purpose of paying all or any part of the cost of a port **or project**. The
16 principal of and the interest on such bonds shall be payable solely from
17 the revenues specifically pledged to the payment thereof. The bonds of
18 each issue shall be dated, shall bear interest at any rate, shall mature at
19 such time or times not exceeding fifty (50) years from the date thereof,
20 as may be determined by the commission, and may be made
21 redeemable before maturity, at the option of the commission, at such
22 price or prices and under such terms and conditions as may be fixed by
23 the commission in the authorizing resolution.

24 (b) The commission shall determine the form of the bonds,
25 including any interest coupons to be attached thereto, and shall fix the
26 denomination or denominations of the bonds and the place or places of
27 payment of principal and interest which may be at any bank or trust
28 company within or without the state.

29 (c) The bonds shall be signed in the name of the commission, by its
30 chairman or vice chairman or by the facsimile signature of such
31 chairman or vice chairman, and the official seal of the commission, or
32 facsimile thereof, shall be affixed thereto and attested by the
33 secretary-treasurer of the commission, and any coupons attached
34 thereto shall bear the facsimile signature of the chairman of the
35 commission. In case any officer whose signature or a facsimile of
36 whose signature shall appear on any bonds or coupons shall cease to be
37 such officer before the delivery of such bonds, such signature or such

1 facsimile shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes the
2 same as if he had remained in office until such delivery.

3 (d) All bonds issued under this chapter shall have and are hereby
4 declared to have all the qualities and incidents of negotiable
5 instruments under the negotiable instruments law of the state of
6 Indiana.

7 (e) The bonds may be issued in coupon or in registered form, or
8 both, as the commission may determine, and provision may be made
9 for the registration of any coupon bonds as to principal alone and also
10 as to both principal and interest, and for the reconversion into coupon
11 bonds of any bonds registered as to both principal and interest.

12 (f) The bonds shall be sold at public sale in accordance with
13 IC 4-1-5, **except as provided in IC 8-10-4.**

14 (g) **No action to contest the validity of any bonds issued by the**
15 **commission under this chapter shall be commenced more than**
16 **thirty (30) days following the adoption of the resolution approving**
17 **the bonds as provided in this chapter.**

18 SECTION 43. IC 8-10-1-14 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
19 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 14. The proceeds of the
20 bonds of each issue shall be used solely for the payment of the cost of
21 the port **or** project for which such bonds shall have been issued, and
22 shall be disbursed in such manner and under such restrictions, if any,
23 as the commission may provide in the resolution authorizing the
24 issuance of such bonds or in the trust agreement mentioned in this
25 chapter securing the same. If the proceeds of the bonds of any issue, by
26 error of estimates or otherwise, shall be less than such cost, additional
27 bonds may in like manner be issued to provide the amount of such
28 deficit, and, unless otherwise provided in the resolution authorizing the
29 issuance of such bonds or in the trust agreement securing the same,
30 shall be deemed to be of the same issue and shall be entitled to
31 payment from that same fund without preference or priority of the
32 bonds first issued. If the proceeds of the bonds of any issue shall
33 exceed the cost of the port **or** project for which the same shall have
34 been issued, the surplus shall be deposited to the credit of the sinking
35 fund for such bonds. Prior to the preparation of definitive bonds, the
36 commission may, under like restrictions, issue interim receipts or
37 temporary bonds, with or without coupons, exchangeable for definitive
38 bonds when such bonds shall have been executed and are available for

1 delivery. The commission may also provide for the replacement of any
2 bonds which shall become mutilated or shall be destroyed or lost.
3 **Bonds and any other instruments or the security for the bonds and**
4 **other instruments that are authorized by this chapter** may be issued
5 under the provisions of this chapter without obtaining the consent of
6 any officer, department, division, commission, board, bureau, or
7 agency of the state, and without any other proceedings or the happening
8 of any other conditions or things than those proceedings, conditions, or
9 things which are specifically required by this chapter.

10 SECTION 44. IC 8-10-1-15 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
11 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 15. The commission is
12 hereby authorized to provide by resolution for the issuance of ~~port~~
13 ~~revenue~~ refunding bonds of the state payable solely from revenues for
14 the purpose of refunding any bonds then outstanding which shall have
15 been issued under the provisions of **section 13** of this chapter,
16 including the payment of any redemption premium thereon and any
17 interest accrued or to accrue to the date of redemption of such bonds,
18 and, if deemed advisable by the commission, for the additional purpose
19 of constructing improvements, extensions, or enlargements of the port
20 **or** project in connection with which the bonds to be refunded shall
21 have been issued. The issuance of such bonds, the maturities and other
22 details thereof, the rights of the holders thereof and the rights, duties,
23 and obligations of the commission in respect of the same, shall be
24 governed by the provisions of this chapter insofar as the same may be
25 applicable.

26 SECTION 45. IC 8-10-1-16 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
27 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 16. In the discretion of
28 the commission any bonds issued under the provisions of this act may
29 be secured by a trust agreement by and between the commission and a
30 corporate trustee, which may be any trust company or bank having the
31 powers of a trust company within the state. Any resolution adopted by
32 the commission providing for the issuance of **revenue** bonds and any
33 trust agreement pursuant to which such bonds are issued may pledge
34 or assign all or any portion of the revenues received or to be received
35 by the commission except such part as may be necessary to pay the cost
36 of the commission's administrative expenses, operation, maintenance,
37 and repair and to provide reserves therefor and depreciation reserves
38 required by any bond resolution adopted or trust agreement executed

1 by the commission, but the commission shall not convey or mortgage
2 any port ~~port~~ or project or any part thereof. In authorizing the issuance
3 of bonds for any particular port ~~or~~ project, ~~undertaken in connection~~
4 ~~with the development of the port~~, the commission may limit the amount
5 of such bonds that may be issued as a first lien and charge against the
6 revenues pledged to the payment of such bonds or the commission may
7 authorize the issuance from time to time thereafter of additional bonds
8 secured by the same lien to provide funds for the completion of the port
9 ~~or~~ project on account of which the original bonds were issued, or to
10 provide funds to pay the cost of additional ~~port~~ projects undertaken in
11 connection with the development of the port ~~or~~ **project**, or for both
12 such purposes. Such additional bonds shall be issued on such terms and
13 conditions as may be provided in the bond resolution or resolutions
14 adopted by the commission and in the trust agreement or any
15 agreement supplemental thereto and may be secured equally and
16 ratably without preference, priority or distinction with the original issue
17 of bonds or may be made junior thereto. Any pledge or assignment
18 made by the commission pursuant hereto shall be valid and binding
19 from the time that the pledge or assignment is made and the revenues
20 so pledged and thereafter received by the commission shall
21 immediately be subject to the lien of such pledge or assignment without
22 physical delivery thereof or further act. The lien of such pledge or
23 assignment shall be valid and binding against all parties having claims
24 of any kind in tort, contract or otherwise against the commission
25 irrespective of whether such parties have notice thereof. Neither the
26 resolution nor any trust agreement by which a pledge is created or
27 assignment made need be filed or recorded except in the records of the
28 commission. Any such trust agreement or any resolution providing for
29 the issuance of such bonds may contain such provisions for protecting
30 and enforcing the rights and remedies of the bondholders as may be
31 reasonable and proper and not in violation of law, including, but not
32 limited to, covenants setting forth the duties of the commission in
33 relation to the acquisition of property and the construction,
34 improvement, maintenance, repair, operation, and insurance of the port
35 ~~or~~ project in connection with which such bonds shall have been
36 authorized, the rates of fees, tolls, rentals, or other charges, to be
37 collected for the use of the project, and the custody, safeguarding, and
38 application of all moneys, and provisions for the employment of

1 consulting engineers in connection with the construction or operation
2 of such project. It shall be lawful for any bank or trust company
3 incorporated under the laws of the state which may act as depository of
4 the proceeds of bonds or other funds of the commission, to furnish such
5 indemnifying bonds or to pledge such securities as may be required by
6 the commission. Any such trust agreement may set forth the rights and
7 remedies of the bondholders and of the trustee, and may restrict the
8 individual right of action by bondholders as is customary in trust
9 agreements or trust indentures securing bonds or debentures of private
10 corporations. In addition to the foregoing, any such trust agreement
11 may contain such other provisions as the commission may deem
12 reasonable and proper for the security of the bondholders. All expenses
13 incurred in carrying out the provisions of any such trust agreement may
14 be treated as a part of the cost of the operation of the port **or** project.

15 SECTION 46. IC 8-10-1-17 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
16 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 17. The commission
17 shall be authorized to fix, review, charge, and collect fees, tolls, rentals,
18 and other charges for the use of the ~~port, port project, ports, projects,~~
19 terminal facilities, and lands under the jurisdiction or control of the
20 commission or services rendered by the commission, and the aggregate
21 thereof shall provide revenues at least sufficient to pay the cost of
22 operation, maintenance and repair of the port **or project** and terminal
23 facilities, including the administration expenses of the commission, and
24 in case revenue bonds are issued, sufficient to pay the interest on and
25 principal of the bonds in accordance with their terms, and also
26 sufficient to establish and maintain reserves created for all such
27 purposes and for depreciation purposes. The fixing and collection of
28 such fees, tolls, rentals and other charges and the expenditure of the
29 revenues derived therefrom shall not be subject to the supervision or
30 regulation by any other officer, commission, board, bureau, or agency
31 of the state. After such bonds have been fully paid and discharged and
32 all obligations under any trust agreement securing the same have been
33 performed or satisfied, any remaining surplus net revenues and all
34 surplus net revenues thereafter derived from the operation of ~~such the~~
35 port **or project** shall be paid into the state general fund.

36 SECTION 47. IC 8-10-1-19 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
37 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 19. Any holder of
38 bonds issued under the provisions of this chapter or any of the coupons

1 appertaining thereto, and the trustee under any trust agreement, except
2 to the extent the rights given in this chapter may be restricted by the
3 authorizing resolution or trust agreement, may, either at law or in
4 equity, by suit, action, mandamus, or other proceedings, protect and
5 enforce any and all rights under the statutes of the state or granted
6 under this chapter or under such trust agreement, or the resolution
7 authorizing the issuance of such bonds, and may enforce and compel
8 the performance of all duties required by this chapter or by such trust
9 agreement or resolution to be performed by the commission or by any
10 officer thereof, including the fixing, charging, and collecting of fees,
11 tolls, rentals, or other charges for the use of the port or ~~port~~ project.

12 SECTION 48. IC 8-10-1-20 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
13 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 20. Each port or ~~port~~
14 project, as defined in section 2 of this chapter, when constructed and
15 **opened to traffic placed in operation** shall be maintained and kept in
16 good condition and repair by the commission. Each such project shall
17 also be policed and operated by such force of police, tolltakers, and
18 other operating employees as the commission may in its discretion
19 employ. All public or private property damaged or destroyed in
20 carrying out the powers granted by this chapter shall be restored or
21 repaired and placed in its original condition as nearly as practicable or
22 adequate compensation made therefor out of funds provided under the
23 authority of this chapter.

24 SECTION 49. IC 8-10-1-21 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
25 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 21. All counties, cities,
26 towns, townships and other political subdivisions and all public
27 agencies and commissions of the state, notwithstanding any contrary
28 provision of law, are hereby authorized and empowered to lease, lend,
29 grant or convey to the commission at its request upon such terms and
30 conditions as the proper authorities of such counties, cities, towns,
31 townships, other political subdivisions or public agencies, and
32 commissions of the state may deem reasonable and fair and without the
33 necessity for an advertisement, order of court or other action or
34 formality, other than the regular and formal action of the authorities
35 concerned, any real **or personal** property owned by any such
36 municipality or governmental subdivision which may be necessary or
37 convenient to the effectuation of the authorized purposes of the
38 commission.

1 SECTION 50. IC 8-10-1-22 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 22. (a) The commission
3 shall cause an audit of its books and accounts to be made at least once
4 each year by certified public accountants and the cost thereof may be
5 treated as a part of the cost of construction or of operations of the
6 ~~project.~~ **commission's ports and projects.** The accounts, books, and
7 records of the Indiana port commission shall be audited annually by the
8 state board of accounts, and the cost of such audit may be treated as a
9 part of the cost of construction or of operations of the ~~port project.~~
10 **commission's ports and projects.**

11 (b) **The commission shall, following the close of each fiscal year,**
12 **submit an annual report of its activities for the preceding year to**
13 **the governor. Each member of the general assembly shall receive**
14 **a copy of such report by making a request for it to the chairman of**
15 **the commission. Each report shall set forth a complete operating**
16 **and financial statement for the commission during the fiscal year**
17 **it covers.**

18 SECTION 51. IC 8-10-1-25 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
19 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 25. Revenue bonds
20 issued by the commission under the provisions of this chapter shall
21 constitute legal investments for any private trust funds, and the funds
22 of any banks, trust companies, insurance companies, building and loan
23 associations, credit unions, banks of discount and deposit, savings
24 banks, loan and trust, and safe deposit companies, rural loan and
25 savings associations, guaranty loan and savings associations, mortgage
26 guaranty companies, small loan companies, and industrial loan and
27 investment companies, and any other financial institutions organized
28 under Indiana statutes. **The bonds are also made securities that may**
29 **be deposited with and received by all public officers and bodies of**
30 **this state or any agency or political subdivisions of this state and all**
31 **municipalities and public commissions for any purpose for which**
32 **the deposit of bonds or other obligations of this state is now or may**
33 **be later authorized by law.**

34 SECTION 52. IC 8-10-1-27 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
35 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 27. (a) The exercise of
36 the powers granted by this chapter will be in all respects for the benefit
37 of the people of the state, for the increase of their commerce and

1 prosperity, and for the improvement of their health and living
2 conditions.

3 (b) As the operation and maintenance of a port **or** project by the
4 commission will constitute the performance of essential governmental
5 functions, the commission shall not be required to pay any taxes or
6 assessments upon any port **or** project or any property acquired or used
7 by the commission under the provisions of this chapter or upon the
8 income therefrom. The bonds issued by the commission, the interest
9 thereon, the proceeds received by a holder from the sale of such bonds
10 to the extent of the holder's cost of acquisition, or proceeds received
11 upon redemption prior to maturity or proceeds received at maturity, and
12 the receipt of such interest and proceeds shall be exempt from taxation
13 in the state of Indiana for all purposes except the financial institutions
14 tax imposed under IC 6-5.5 or a state inheritance tax imposed under
15 IC 6-4.1.

16 (c) Notwithstanding any other statute, a lessee's leasehold estate in
17 land that **is qualifies as** part of a port **under section 2(b)(1) of this**
18 **chapter** and that is owned by the state or the commission is exempt
19 from property taxation. **However, an exemption under this**
20 **subsection is not available for land that qualifies as part of a port**
21 **under section 2(b)(2) of this chapter or any other provision other**
22 **than section 2(b)(1) of this chapter.**

23 SECTION 53. IC 8-10-1-30 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
24 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
25 1, 2003]: **Sec. 30. The state hereby pledges and agrees with the**
26 **holders of any bonds issued under this chapter that the state will**
27 **not limit or alter the rights vested in the commission to fulfill the**
28 **terms of any agreements made with the holders or in any way**
29 **impair the rights or remedies of the holders until the bonds,**
30 **together with the interest, with interest on any unpaid installments**
31 **of interest, and all costs and expenses in connection with any action**
32 **or proceeding by or on behalf of the holders, are fully met and**
33 **discharged. The commission is authorized to include this pledge**
34 **and agreement of the state in any agreement with the holders of the**
35 **bonds.**

36 SECTION 54. IC 8-10-1-31 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
37 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY

1, 2003]: **Sec. 31. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), the commission may not:**

3 **(1) enter into a contract for the construction or repair of any**
4 **building, structure, or other improvement;**

5 **(2) take another action in furtherance of the commission's**
6 **authorized purposes; or**

7 **(3) enter into a loan agreement for the borrowing of funds for**
8 **an improvement undertaken by the commission;**

9 **where the commission is the contracting entity, unless laborers and**
10 **mechanics employed on the improvements are paid the common**
11 **construction wage of laborers and mechanics for the class of work**
12 **called for by the improvement. For purposes of this section, wages**
13 **shall be determined in accordance with the requirements of**
14 **IC 5-16-7.**

15 **(b) Subsection (a) does not apply where the federal government**
16 **or any of its agencies furnishes by loan or grant all or any part of**
17 **the funds used in connection with the project and prescribes**
18 **predetermined minimum wages to be paid to the laborers and**
19 **mechanics.**

20 SECTION 55. IC 8-10-2-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
21 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 2. (a) In addition to the
22 powers conferred upon the Indiana port commission by other
23 provisions of this article, the commission, whenever it finds that the
24 economic welfare of the state would thereby be benefited, by additional
25 employment opportunities, or by additional diversification of industry
26 within the state, or by increased income or prosperity to the state and
27 its residents, or for any other reason, shall have the power to acquire,
28 construct, maintain, repair, police, and lease to others such facilities for
29 manufacturing, storage, or processing of goods, or for the carrying on
30 of commercial, business, or recreational activities as the commission
31 further finds will increase the ~~water-borne~~ traffic into or out of the ~~port~~
32 **project**. Any such facilities and the site thereof shall not be exempt
33 from property taxation, and the lessee in any lease thereof shall agree
34 to pay all property taxes levied on such facilities and the site thereof.

35 **(b) In exercising the powers granted in this section, the commission**
36 **shall have all the powers granted to it by this article, in connection with**
37 **a port project, and the term "port" "project", as used in IC 8-10-1, shall**

1 be deemed to include facilities, adjuncts, and appurtenances of the
2 character referred to in this section.

3 (c) It is further declared that the acquisition, construction,
4 maintenance, repair, policing of, and leasing to others of such facilities
5 under the conditions set forth in this section is a public purpose.

6 (d) Nothing in this section shall authorize the Indiana port
7 commission to take, condemn, or disturb any property right or interest
8 in property, existing on March 10, 1967, including permits and
9 authorities to fill and reclaim submerged lands, or any facilities
10 constituting all or part of any operating property or any private or
11 public port. The Indiana port commission shall make reimbursement
12 for any actual damage to any public or private facilities, including but
13 not limited to breakwaters, water intakes, wharves, piers, boat docks,
14 warehouses, and pipeline equipment resulting from the exercise by it
15 of any powers granted to it by this section.

16 SECTION 56. IC 8-10-4-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
17 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 1. (a) As used in this
18 chapter, "self-liquidating port project" shall mean a port project for
19 which a lease or leases have been executed providing for payment of
20 rental in an amount at least sufficient to pay the interest and principal
21 of such bonds to be issued to finance the cost of such port project and
22 further providing for the payment by the lessee or lessees of all costs
23 of maintenance, repair, and insurance of such port project.

24 (b) Other words and terms used in this chapter shall have the same
25 meaning as in other provisions of this article, unless otherwise
26 specifically provided.

27 SECTION 57. IC 8-10-4-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
28 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 2. In addition to the
29 powers conferred upon the Indiana port commission by other
30 provisions of this article, the commission, in connection with any
31 self-liquidating port project, shall have the following powers
32 notwithstanding any other provision of this article to the contrary:

33 (a) The revenue bonds issued by the commission to finance the
34 cost of such self-liquidating port project may be issued without
35 regard to any maximum interest rate limitation in this article or
36 any other law.

37 (b) The revenue bonds issued by the commission to finance the
38 cost of such self-liquidating port project may be sold in such

1 manner, either at public or private sale, as the commission may
 2 determine, and the provisions of IC 4-1-5 shall not be applicable
 3 to such sale.

4 **(c) IC 4-13.6, IC 5-16 (other than IC 5-16-7), and IC 36-1-12**
 5 **do not apply to projects to be leased to a private party whose**
 6 **lease payments are expected to be sufficient to pay all debt**
 7 **service on bonds issued by the commission to finance the**
 8 **project. However, the private party must comply with**
 9 **IC 5-16-7.**

10 SECTION 58. IC 8-10-4-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
 11 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 3. Any lease of a port
 12 project may provide that the lessee, as its reasonable portion of the
 13 commission's administrative expense incurred during the term of the
 14 lease which the lessee is required to pay by IC 8-10-1-10, shall pay to
 15 the commission for the use of the harbor, the public docking facilities
 16 and public wharves and piers, all harbor, dockage, and wharfage
 17 charges established by the commission.

18 SECTION 59. IC 8-10-4-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
 19 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 4. The cost of any port
 20 project may include, instead of the cost of the acquisition of the land
 21 constituting the site of such port project, the value of such land as
 22 determined by the commission. The proceeds of any revenue bonds
 23 representing the value of such land shall be deposited in the Indiana
 24 port fund.

25 SECTION 60. IC 8-10-4-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
 26 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 5. The commission may
 27 contract for the use of any license, process or device, whether patented
 28 or not, which the commission finds is necessary for the operation of
 29 any port project, and may permit the use thereof by any lessee on such
 30 terms and conditions as the commission may determine. The cost of
 31 such license, process or device may be included as part of the cost of
 32 the port project.

33 SECTION 61. IC 22-4.1-7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
 34 AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 35 UPON PASSAGE]:

36 **Chapter 7. Certified Degree Programs**

37 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "certified degree program"**
 38 **means a degree program that:**

- 1 (1) is certified by the commission in consultation with the
2 department and the commission for higher education;
3 (2) addresses the areas of targeted employment; and
4 (3) includes an internship component described in section 10
5 of this chapter.

6 Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "commission" refers to the state
7 student assistance commission established by IC 20-12-21-4.

8 Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "employer" has the meaning set
9 forth in IC 22-8-1.1-1.

10 Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "fund" refers to the Indiana
11 growth scholars fund established by section 9 of this chapter.

12 Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "graduate" means a graduate of
13 an institution of higher learning in Indiana who:

- 14 (1) participated in a certified degree program; and
15 (2) remains and is employed in Indiana in targeted
16 employment after the student graduates from the certified
17 degree program to complete a post-graduate component of a
18 certified degree program.

19 Sec. 6. As used in this chapter, "institution of higher learning"
20 means:

- 21 (1) a state educational institution (as defined in
22 IC 20-12-0.5-1); or
23 (2) a private institution of higher education (as defined in
24 IC 20-12-63-3(10)).

25 Sec. 7. As used in this chapter, "student" means an individual
26 who:

- 27 (1) is enrolled on a full-time basis as an undergraduate or
28 graduate student at an institution of higher learning that
29 conducts a certified degree program; and
30 (2) participates in the internship component of a certified
31 degree program conducted by the institution of higher
32 learning.

33 Sec. 8. As used in this chapter, "targeted employment" means
34 employment in any of the following business activities:

- 35 (1) Advanced manufacturing, including the following:
36 (A) Automotive and electronics.
37 (B) Aerospace technology.
38 (C) Robotics.

- 1 **(D) Engineering design technology.**
 2 **(2) Life sciences, including the following:**
 3 **(A) Orthopedics or medical devices.**
 4 **(B) Biomedical research or development.**
 5 **(C) Pharmaceutical manufacturing.**
 6 **(D) Agribusiness.**
 7 **(E) Nanotechnology or molecular manufacturing.**
 8 **(3) Information technology, including the following:**
 9 **(A) Informatics.**
 10 **(B) Certified network administration.**
 11 **(C) Software development.**
 12 **(D) Fiber optics.**
 13 **(4) Twenty-first century logistics, including the following:**
 14 **(A) High technology distribution.**
 15 **(B) Efficient and effective flow and storage of goods,**
 16 **services, or information.**
 17 **(C) Intermodal ports.**

18 **Sec. 9. (a) The energize Indiana growth scholars fund is**
 19 **established for the following purposes:**

- 20 **(1) To pay the total operating expenses of the commission,**
 21 **including grants and administrative expenses, for the certified**
 22 **degree program.**
 23 **(2) To reimburse the state general fund for the amount by**
 24 **which internship payroll credits (IC 6-3.1-25) taken by**
 25 **taxpayers reduce tax revenue deposits into the state general**
 26 **fund.**
 27 **(b) The fund shall be administered by the budget agency.**
 28 **(c) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from**
 29 **money in the fund. Interest that accrues from these investments**
 30 **shall be deposited in the fund.**
 31 **(d) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not**
 32 **currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same**
 33 **manner as other public money may be invested.**
 34 **(e) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not**
 35 **revert to the state general fund.**

36 **Sec. 10. The commission, in consultation with the department of**
 37 **workforce development and the commission for higher education**
 38 **under IC 22-4.1-7, shall establish criteria for certification of a**

1 certified degree program under this chapter. The criteria must
2 include the following:

3 (1) The certified degree program is operated or administered
4 by an institution of higher learning or a department, school,
5 or program within an institution of higher learning.

6 (2) The certified degree program integrates a particular
7 curriculum or course of study offered at the institution of
8 higher learning with career internships provided by
9 employers.

10 (3) The certified degree program places students in career
11 internships provided by employers in targeted employment.

12 (4) The certified degree program requires participating
13 students to meet certain academic standards.

14 (5) The certified degree program requires employers to
15 provide to participating students the:

16 (A) supervision; and

17 (B) payroll and personnel services;

18 that the employers provide to their regular part-time
19 employees, if any.

20 (6) The certified degree program is designed to provide an
21 internship experience that enriches and enhances the
22 classroom experience of participating students in the field of
23 the targeted employment.

24 (7) The certified degree program requires employers to
25 comply with all state and federal laws pertaining to the
26 workplace.

27 (8) The certified degree program complies with any other
28 requirement adopted by rule by the commission after
29 consultation with the department.

30 **Sec. 11. The criteria for a certified degree program may allow:**

31 (1) a student to participate in an internship with an employer
32 in targeted employment at any time during the year, including
33 the summer, as long as the student remains enrolled at the
34 institution of higher learning that operates or administers the
35 certified degree program; and

36 (2) a graduate of the institution of higher learning to
37 participate in graduate position with an employer in targeted
38 employment at any time during the year, including the

1 summer, as long as the graduate is engaged in a post-graduate
2 component of a certified degree program that is approved
3 under this chapter.

4 **Sec. 12.** Any institution of higher learning may apply to the
5 commission to be certified to conduct a certified degree program.

6 **Sec. 13.** An institution of higher learning that seeks certification
7 for a certified degree program must:

8 (1) submit a request to the commission in the manner and in
9 the form specified by the commission; and

10 (2) meet the criteria established under this chapter for the
11 certified degree program.

12 **Sec. 14.** The commission, in consultation with the department of
13 workforce development and the commission for higher education,
14 shall certify certified degree programs.

15 **Sec. 15.** If an institution of higher learning is certified to conduct
16 a certified degree program, the commission, in consultation with
17 the department of workforce development, the commission for
18 higher education, and the budget agency, shall allocate to the
19 institution of higher learning, on the schedule determined by the
20 commission, the maximum number of students and graduates that
21 may be placed with an employer during a year through the
22 certified degree program. The commission may increase or
23 decrease the number of student and graduate positions allocated to
24 an institution of higher learning, as needed, to:

25 (1) temporarily or permanently reallocate unused positions;
26 and

27 (2) meet the requirements of section 16 of this chapter.

28 **Sec. 16.** The total number of student and graduate positions
29 allocated under section 15 of this chapter to all institutions of
30 higher learning that are certified under this chapter may not
31 exceed a number of positions that will result in a transfer under
32 section 17 of this chapter in any state fiscal year of an amount that
33 exceeds the amount that will be available in the fund from
34 appropriations from the fund, after taking into account any
35 amounts reserved in the fund for transfers in a subsequent state
36 fiscal year.

37 **Sec. 17.** In each state fiscal year after June 30, 2003, the budget
38 agency shall transfer from the fund an amount equal to the amount

1 needed to reimburse the state general fund for the amount by
2 which internship payroll credits (IC 6-3.1-25) taken by taxpayers
3 reduced tax revenue deposits into the state general fund in that
4 state fiscal year.

5 **Sec. 18. If any money is available in the fund after:**

6 (1) reserving amounts and transferring amounts, as needed,
7 to comply with section 17 of this chapter; and

8 (2) meeting the other obligations of the fund;

9 the commission may award to a student a grant from the fund. If
10 the commission awards a grant under this section, the commission
11 shall award the grant in an amount determined by the commission
12 for academic credit to fulfill the internship component of a
13 certified degree program. A grant awarded under this section is in
14 addition to any other grants awarded to a student.

15 **Sec. 19. The commission, in consultation with the department
16 and the commission for higher education, may adopt rules under
17 IC 4-22-2 to implement this chapter.**

18 **Sec. 20. In addition to any other appropriation made for the
19 purposes of the fund, the lesser of the amounts transferred to the
20 fund under IC 4-3-32 or following amounts are appropriated from
21 the fund for the purposes of the fund in each of the following
22 specified state fiscal years:**

23 (1) Four million seven hundred thousand dollars (\$4,700,000)
24 in the state fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003, and ending
25 June 30, 2004.

26 (2) Five million one hundred thousand dollars (\$5,100,000) in
27 the state fiscal year beginning July 1, 2004, and ending June
28 30, 2005.

29 (3) Five million six hundred thousand dollars (\$5,600,000) in
30 the state fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005, and ending June
31 30, 2006.

32 (4) Six million one hundred thousand dollars (\$6,100,000) in
33 the state fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June
34 30, 2007.

35 **The spending authority granted by an appropriation under this
36 section does not expire at the end of the state fiscal year for which
37 the appropriation is made but remains available for expenditure
38 from the fund in any state fiscal year that ends before July 1, 2013.**

1 **Sec. 21. This chapter expires July 1, 2013.**

2 SECTION 62. IC 36-7-32-11, AS ADDED BY P.L.192-2002(ss),
3 SECTION 187, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
4 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 11.(a) After receipt of an
5 application under section 10 of this chapter, and subject to subsection
6 (b), the department of commerce may designate a certified technology
7 park if the department determines that the application demonstrates a
8 firm commitment from at least one ~~(+)~~ business engaged in a high
9 technology activity creating a significant number of jobs and satisfies
10 one (1) or more of the following ~~additional~~ criteria:

11 (1) A demonstration of significant support from an institution of
12 higher education or a private research based institute located
13 within, or in the vicinity of, the proposed certified technology
14 park, as evidenced by the following criteria:

15 (A) Grants of preferences for access to and commercialization
16 of intellectual property.

17 (B) Access to laboratory and other facilities owned by or under
18 the control of the institution of higher education or private
19 research based institute.

20 (C) Donations of services.

21 (D) Access to telecommunications facilities and other
22 infrastructure.

23 (E) Financial commitments.

24 (F) Access to faculty, staff, and students.

25 (G) Opportunities for adjunct faculty and other types of staff
26 arrangements or affiliations.

27 (H) Other criteria considered appropriate by the department.

28 (2) A demonstration of a significant commitment by the
29 institution of higher education or private research based institute
30 to the commercialization of research produced at the certified
31 technology park, as evidenced by the intellectual property and, if
32 applicable, tenure policies that reward faculty and staff for
33 commercialization and collaboration with private businesses.

34 (3) A demonstration that the proposed certified technology park
35 will be developed to take advantage of the unique characteristics
36 and specialties offered by the public and private resources
37 available in the area in which the proposed certified technology
38 park will be located.

- 1 (4) The existence of or proposed development of a business
 2 incubator within the proposed certified technology park that
 3 exhibits the following types of resources and organization:
- 4 (A) Significant financial and other types of support from the
 5 public or private resources in the area in which the proposed
 6 certified technology park will be located.
 - 7 (B) A business plan exhibiting the economic utilization and
 8 availability of resources and a likelihood of successful
 9 development of technologies and research into viable business
 10 enterprises.
 - 11 (C) A commitment to the employment of a qualified full-time
 12 manager to supervise the development and operation of the
 13 business incubator.
- 14 (5) The existence of a business plan for the proposed certified
 15 technology park that identifies its objectives in a clearly focused
 16 and measurable fashion and that addresses the following matters:
- 17 (A) A commitment to new business formation.
 - 18 (B) The clustering of businesses, technology, and research.
 - 19 (C) The opportunity for and costs of development of properties
 20 under common ownership or control.
 - 21 (D) The availability of and method proposed for development
 22 of infrastructure and other improvements, including
 23 telecommunications technology, necessary for the
 24 development of the proposed certified technology park.
 - 25 (E) Assumptions of costs and revenues related to the
 26 development of the proposed certified technology park.
- 27 (6) A demonstrable and satisfactory assurance that the proposed
 28 certified technology park can be developed to principally contain
 29 property that is primarily used for, or will be primarily used for,
 30 a high technology activity or a business incubator.
- 31 (b) The department of commerce may not approve an application
 32 that would result in a substantial reduction or cessation of operations
 33 in another location in Indiana in order to relocate them within the
 34 certified technology park.
- 35 SECTION 63. IC 36-7-32-22, AS ADDED BY P.L.192-2002(ss),
 36 SECTION 187, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
 37 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 22. (a) The treasurer of state shall
 38 establish an incremental tax financing fund for each certified

1 technology park designated under this chapter. The fund shall be
 2 administered by the treasurer of state. Money in the fund does not
 3 revert to the state general fund at the end of a state fiscal year.

4 (b) Subject to subsection (c), the following amounts shall be
 5 deposited during each state fiscal year in the incremental tax financing
 6 fund established for a certified technology park under subsection (a):

7 (1) The aggregate amount of state gross retail and use taxes that
 8 are remitted under IC 6-2.5 by businesses operating in the
 9 certified technology park, until the amount of state gross retail
 10 and use taxes deposited equals the gross retail incremental
 11 amount for the certified technology park.

12 (2) The aggregate amount of the following taxes paid by
 13 employees employed in the certified technology park with respect
 14 to wages earned for work in the certified technology park, until
 15 the amount deposited equals the income tax incremental amount:

16 (A) The adjusted gross income tax.

17 (B) The county adjusted gross income tax.

18 (C) The county option income tax.

19 (D) The county economic development income tax.

20 ~~(c) Not more than a total of five million dollars (\$5,000,000) may~~
 21 ~~be deposited in a particular incremental tax financing fund for a~~
 22 ~~certified technology park over the life of the certified technology park.~~

23 ~~(c)~~ (c) On or before the twentieth day of each month, all amounts
 24 held in the incremental tax financing fund established for a certified
 25 technology park shall be distributed to the redevelopment commission
 26 for deposit in the certified technology park fund established under
 27 section 23 of this chapter.

28 SECTION 64. [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2003
 29 (RETROACTIVE)]: **(a) As used in this SECTION, "department"**
 30 **refers to the department of workforce development.**

31 **(b) The credit against a taxpayer's state tax liability provided**
 32 **under IC 6-3.1-25, as added by this act, applies to taxable years**
 33 **beginning after December 31, 2002.**

34 **(c) Notwithstanding IC 22-4.1-7-8, as added by this act, the state**
 35 **student assistance commission, in consultation with the department**
 36 **and the commission for higher education, may adopt temporary**
 37 **rules to implement IC 22-4.1-7, as added by this act, in the same**
 38 **manner as emergency rules are adopted under IC 4-22-2-37.1.**

1 **SECTION 65. An emergency is declared for this act.**
(Reference is to HB 2008 as introduced.)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

Representative Crawford