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# HOUSE MOTION \_\_\_\_\_

MR. SPEAKER:

I move that House Bill 1812 be amended to read as follows:

- 1           Page 4, between lines 21 and 22, begin a new paragraph and
- 2           insert:
- 3           "SECTION 2. IC 20-8.1-14 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
- 4           CODE AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS
- 5           [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]:
- 6           **Chapter 14. School Uniform Policy**
- 7           **Sec. 1. The governing body of a school corporation shall adopt**
- 8           **and implement a school uniform policy for students enrolled in**
- 9           **the school corporation in kindergarten through grade 12.**
- 10          **Sec. 2. The school uniform policy adopted under this chapter**
- 11          **must do the following:**
- 12                **(1) Subject to subdivisions (2) and (4), designate for the**
- 13                **school corporation a school uniform that students must**
- 14                **wear at reasonable times when attending school. The**
- 15                **school uniform may vary among the different schools in**
- 16                **the school corporation.**
- 17                **(2) Allow a parent to apply for and receive for the**
- 18                **parent's child an exemption from wearing a school**
- 19                **uniform.**
- 20                **(3) Provide that a student who receives an exemption**
- 21                **under subdivision (2) may not be:**
- 22                        **(A) penalized academically;**
- 23                        **(B) denied school admission or attendance; or**
- 24                        **(C) otherwise discriminated against.**
- 25                **(4) Allow a student who participates in a nationally**
- 26                **recognized youth organization to wear the youth**

1 organization uniform to school on a day that the  
2 organization has a scheduled meeting.  
3 (5) Provide for the enforcement of the school uniform  
4 policy.

5 **Sec. 3. (a) The school uniform policy must be clearly written.**  
6 **(b) The school uniform must be reasonably designed to achieve**  
7 **the following purposes:**

8 (1) Foster the educational process by providing a school  
9 environment that does the following:

10 (A) Focuses on the classroom and on the learning  
11 process.  
12 (B) Improves student behavior.  
13 (C) Promotes school pride.  
14 (D) Reduces distractions.

15 (2) Provide a safer and more secure school environment.  
16 (3) Promote parental and community involvement in the  
17 schools.

18 **Sec. 4. Before a governing body adopts a school uniform policy**  
19 **under this chapter, the governing body must do the following:**

20 (1) Consult with teachers, principals, parents, students,  
21 school and community organizations, and vendors about:

22 (A) the proposed school uniform policy;  
23 (B) the components and design of the proposed  
24 school uniform; and  
25 (C) programs that are designed to assist students  
26 who are eligible for free or reduced price school  
27 lunches in obtaining free or reduced price school  
28 uniforms at no expense to the school corporation.

29 (2) Hold a public hearing on the proposed school uniform  
30 policy and school uniform.

31 **Sec. 5. The governing body shall establish or ensure the**  
32 **establishment of a program to assist students who are eligible for**  
33 **free or reduced price school lunches in obtaining school uniforms**  
34 **free or at a reduced cost. The program may:**

35 (1) not require expenditures by the school corporation of  
36 money acquired from state or local taxes; and  
37 (2) be provided by an individual or organization other  
38 than the school corporation.

39 **Sec. 6. At least one (1) month before the beginning of a school**  
40 **year when the school uniform policy is in effect, a school**  
41 **corporation shall give written notice to the parent of a student**  
42 **who is required to wear a school uniform. The written notice must**  
43 **contain the following information:**

44 (1) The requirements of the school uniform policy.  
45 (2) The specifications of the school uniform.  
46 (3) Procedures, prices, vendors, and other useful  
47 information for obtaining school uniforms.  
48 (4) The availability of an exemption from the dress code.  
49 (5) The availability of free or reduced price school  
50 uniforms for students who are also eligible for free or reduced  
51 price school lunches.  
52 (6) Other information that may be useful to students and  
53 parents.

- 1       **Sec. 7. A school uniform designated under this chapter is**
- 2       **considered clothing for purposes of IC 12-20 for students who are**
- 3       **enrolled in a school having a designated school uniform".**
- 4               **Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.**  
              **(Reference is to HB 1812 as reprinted February 9, 2005.)**

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Representative Noe