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COMMITTEE REPORT

YES:	8
NO:	0

MR. SPEAKER:

*Your Committee on Family, Children and Human Affairs, to which was referred House Bill 1743, 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 Page 1, between the enacting clause and line 1, begin a new
- 2 paragraph and insert:
- 3 "SECTION 1. IC 12-13-14.5-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
- 4 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 3. One (1) time every
- 5 ~~six (6)~~ **three (3)** months, the division shall submit a report to the budget
- 6 committee and to the ~~general assembly~~ **legislative council** that provides
- 7 data and statistical information regarding caseloads for each county for
- 8 child protection caseworkers, child welfare caseworkers and other
- 9 caseworkers under the jurisdiction of the division of family and
- 10 children, department of family and social services during the preceding
- 11 ~~six (6)~~ **three (3)** months. A report submitted under this section to the
- 12 general assembly must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6."
- 13 Page 1, line 3, after "(a)" insert "**This section applies after June 30,**
- 14 **2008.**".
- 15 **(b)**".

- 1 Page 1, line 16, delete "(b)" and insert "(c)".
- 2 Page 1, line 17, delete "(a)" and insert "(b)".
- 3 Page 2, line 2, after "2." insert "(a)".
- 4 Page 2, line 4, delete "at all times".
- 5 Page 2, line 4, delete ":".
- 6 Page 2, line 5, delete "(A)".
- 7 Page 2, line 5, delete "and".
- 8 Page 2, run in lines 4 through 5.
- 9 Page 2, delete lines 6 through 9.
- 10 Page 2, after line 24, begin a new paragraph and insert:
- 11 **"(b) This section expires June 30, 2008.**
- 12 SECTION 4. IC 31-33-2-2.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
- 13 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
- 14 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: **Sec. 2.1. (a) This section applies after**
- 15 **June 30, 2008.**
- 16 **(b) The local child protection service:**
- 17 **(1) must have sufficient qualified and trained staff to:**
- 18 **(A) fulfill the purpose of this article; and**
- 19 **(B) comply with the maximum caseload ratios for:**
- 20 **(i) child protection caseworkers; and**
- 21 **(ii) child welfare caseworkers;**
- 22 **set forth in IC 12-13-14.5-3.5;**
- 23 **(2) must be organized to maximize the continuity of**
- 24 **responsibility, care, and service of individual caseworkers**
- 25 **toward individual children and families;**
- 26 **(3) must provide training to representatives of the child**
- 27 **protective services system regarding the legal duties of the**
- 28 **representatives, which may consist of various methods of**
- 29 **informing the representatives of their duties, in order to**
- 30 **protect the legal rights and safety of children and families**
- 31 **from the initial time of contact during the investigation**
- 32 **through treatment; and**
- 33 **(4) must provide training to representatives of the child**
- 34 **protective services system regarding the constitutional rights**
- 35 **of the child's family, including a child's guardian or custodian,**
- 36 **that is the subject of an investigation of child abuse or neglect**
- 37 **consistent with the Fourth Amendment to the United States**
- 38 **Constitution and Article I, Section 11 of the Constitution of**

1 **the State of Indiana.**
2 SECTION 5. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005] **(a) The division of**
3 **family and children shall submit a report to the legislative council**
4 **and the health finance commission established by IC 2-5-23-3 that**
5 **contains statistics concerning the education levels and salaries of**
6 **all:**
7 **(1) child protection caseworkers and child welfare**
8 **caseworkers; and**
9 **(2) child protection caseworker and child welfare caseworker**
10 **supervisors;**
11 **by September 1, 2005.**
12 **(b) The report required by subsection (a) must be in an**
13 **electronic format under IC 5-14-6.**

- 1 **(c) This SECTION expires December 31, 2005."**
- 2 Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.
 (Reference is to HB 1743 as introduced.)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

Representative Budak