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# HOUSE BILL No. 1170

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 5-2-8; IC 5-10-10-4; IC 20-5-2-9.

**Synopsis:** School corporation police department. Provides that the governing body of a school corporation may establish a school corporation police department that is staffed with police officers who have full police powers and whose survivors are eligible for death benefits. Requires school corporation police officers to have law enforcement academy education and basic training and to participate in local continuing education programs. Requires a school corporation police officer who was appointed before July 1, 2005, to complete the law enforcement academy education and basic training requirements not later than July 1, 2010. Provides that a school corporation police department established before July 1, 2005, is considered a school corporation police department established under this act after June 30, 2005.

**Effective:** July 1, 2005.

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January 6, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security.

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**HOUSE BILL No. 1170**



A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 5-2-8-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
2 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 1. (a) ~~As used~~ **The following**  
3 **definitions apply** in this section:  
4 (1) "Abuse" means:  
5 (A) conduct that causes bodily injury (as defined in  
6 IC 35-41-1-4) or damage to property; or  
7 (B) a threat of conduct that would cause bodily injury (as  
8 defined in IC 35-41-1-4) or damage to property.  
9 (2) "County law enforcement agency" includes:  
10 (A) university police officers appointed under IC 20-12-3.5;  
11 **and**  
12 (B) **school corporation police officers appointed under**  
13 **IC 20-5-2-9.**  
14 (b) There is established in each county a county law enforcement  
15 continuing education program. The program is funded by amounts  
16 appropriated under IC 33-37-8-6.  
17 (c) A county law enforcement agency receiving amounts based upon



1 claims for law enforcement continuing education funds under  
2 IC 33-37-8-4 or IC 33-37-8-6 shall deposit each fee collected into the  
3 county law enforcement continuing education fund.

4 (d) Distribution of money in the county law enforcement continuing  
5 education fund shall be made to a county law enforcement agency  
6 without the necessity of first obtaining an appropriation from the  
7 county fiscal body.

8 (e) Money in excess of one hundred dollars (\$100) that is  
9 unencumbered and remains in a county law enforcement continuing  
10 education fund for at least one (1) entire calendar year from the date of  
11 its deposit shall, at the end of a county's fiscal year, be deposited by the  
12 county auditor in the law enforcement training fund established under  
13 IC 5-2-1-13(b).

14 (f) To make a claim under IC 33-37-8-6 a law enforcement agency  
15 shall submit to the fiscal body a verified statement of cause numbers  
16 for fees collected that are attributable to the law enforcement efforts of  
17 that agency.

18 (g) A law enforcement agency shall submit a claim for fees under  
19 this section in the same county fiscal year in which the fees are  
20 collected under IC 33-37-4.

21 (h) A county law enforcement agency program shall provide to each  
22 law enforcement officer employed by the county and may provide to  
23 each law enforcement officer employed by a city or town law  
24 enforcement agency within the county continuing education concerning  
25 the following:

- 26 (1) Duties of a law enforcement officer in enforcing restraining
- 27 orders, protective orders, temporary injunctions, and permanent
- 28 injunctions involving abuse.
- 29 (2) Guidelines for making felony and misdemeanor arrests in
- 30 cases involving abuse.
- 31 (3) Techniques for handling incidents of abuse that:
- 32 (A) minimize the likelihood of injury to the law enforcement
- 33 officer; and
- 34 (B) promote the safety of a victim.
- 35 (4) Information about the nature and extent of abuse.
- 36 (5) Information about the legal rights of and remedies available
- 37 to victims of abuse.
- 38 (6) How to document and collect evidence in an abuse case.
- 39 (7) The legal consequences of abuse.
- 40 (8) The impact on children of law enforcement intervention in
- 41 abuse cases.
- 42 (9) Services and facilities available to victims of abuse and

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- 1 abusers.
- 2 (10) Verification of restraining orders, protective orders,
- 3 temporary injunctions, and permanent injunctions.
- 4 (11) Policies concerning arrest or release of suspects in abuse
- 5 cases.
- 6 (12) Emergency assistance to victims of abuse and criminal
- 7 justice options for victims of abuse.
- 8 (13) Landlord-tenant concerns in abuse cases.
- 9 (14) The taking of an abused child into protective custody.
- 10 (15) Assessment of a situation in which a child may be seriously
- 11 endangered if the child is left in the child's home.
- 12 (16) Assessment of a situation involving an endangered adult (as
- 13 defined in IC 12-10-3-2).
- 14 (17) Response to a sudden, unexpected infant death.
- 15 (i) A county law enforcement agency may enter into an agreement
- 16 with other law enforcement agencies to provide the continuing
- 17 education required by this section and section 2(f) of this chapter.
- 18 SECTION 2. IC 5-2-8-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
- 19 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 2. (a) ~~As used~~ **The following**
- 20 **definitions apply** in this section:
- 21 (1) "Abuse" has the meaning set forth in section 1(a) of this
- 22 chapter.
- 23 (2) "City or town law enforcement agency" includes:
- 24 (A) university police officers appointed under IC 20-12-3.5;
- 25 **and**
- 26 **(B) school corporation police officers appointed under**
- 27 **IC 20-5-2-9.**
- 28 (b) There is established in each city and in each town with a city or
- 29 town court a local law enforcement continuing education program. The
- 30 program is funded by amounts appropriated under IC 33-37-8-4 and
- 31 fees collected under IC 9-29-4-2, IC 9-29-11-1, and IC 35-47-2-3.
- 32 (c) A city or town law enforcement agency receiving amounts based
- 33 upon claims for law enforcement continuing education funds under
- 34 IC 33-37-8-4 or IC 33-37-8-6 shall deposit each fee collected into the
- 35 local law enforcement continuing education fund.
- 36 (d) Distribution of money in a local law enforcement continuing
- 37 education fund shall be made to a city or town law enforcement agency
- 38 without the necessity of first obtaining an appropriation from the fiscal
- 39 body of the city or town.
- 40 (e) To make a claim under IC 33-37-8-4 a law enforcement agency
- 41 shall submit to the fiscal body a verified statement of cause numbers
- 42 for fees collected that are attributable to the law enforcement efforts of

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that agency.

(f) A city or town law enforcement agency shall provide to each law enforcement officer employed by the city or town law enforcement agency continuing education concerning the following:

- (1) Duties of a law enforcement officer in enforcing restraining orders, protective orders, temporary injunctions, and permanent injunctions involving abuse.
- (2) Guidelines for making felony and misdemeanor arrests in cases involving abuse.
- (3) Techniques for handling incidents of abuse that:
  - (A) minimize the likelihood of injury to the law enforcement officer; and
  - (B) promote the safety of a victim.
- (4) Information about the nature and extent of abuse.
- (5) Information about the legal rights of and remedies available to victims of abuse.
- (6) How to document and collect evidence in an abuse case.
- (7) The legal consequences of abuse.
- (8) The impact on children of law enforcement intervention in abuse cases.
- (9) Services and facilities available to victims of abuse and abusers.
- (10) Verification of restraining orders, protective orders, temporary injunctions, and permanent injunctions.
- (11) Policies concerning arrest or release of suspects in abuse cases.
- (12) Emergency assistance to victims of abuse and criminal justice options for victims of abuse.
- (13) Landlord-tenant concerns in abuse cases.
- (14) The taking of an abused child into protective custody.
- (15) Assessment of a situation in which the child may be seriously endangered if the child is left in the child's home.
- (16) Assessment of a situation involving an endangered adult (as defined in IC 12-10-3-2).
- (17) Response to a sudden, unexpected infant death.

(g) A city or town law enforcement agency may enter into an agreement with other county, city, or town law enforcement agencies to provide the continuing education required by this section and section 1(h) of this chapter.

SECTION 3. IC 5-10-10-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "public safety officer" means any of the following:

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- 1 (1) A state police officer.
- 2 (2) A county sheriff.
- 3 (3) A county police officer.
- 4 (4) A correctional officer.
- 5 (5) An excise police officer.
- 6 (6) A county police reserve officer.
- 7 (7) A city police reserve officer.
- 8 (8) A conservation enforcement officer.
- 9 (9) A town marshal.
- 10 (10) A deputy town marshal.
- 11 (11) A probation officer.
- 12 (12) A state university police officer appointed under
- 13 IC 20-12-3.5.
- 14 **(13) A school corporation police officer appointed under**
- 15 **IC 20-5-2-9.**
- 16 ~~(13)~~ **(14)** An emergency medical services provider (as defined in
- 17 IC 16-41-10-1) who is:
- 18 (A) employed by a political subdivision (as defined in
- 19 IC 36-1-2-13); and
- 20 (B) not eligible for a special death benefit under IC 36-8-6-20,
- 21 IC 36-8-7-26, IC 36-8-7.5-22, or IC 36-8-8-20.
- 22 ~~(14)~~ **(15)** A firefighter who is employed by the fire department of
- 23 a state university.
- 24 SECTION 4. IC 20-5-2-9 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
- 25 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
- 26 1, 2005]: **Sec. 9. (a) The governing body of a school corporation**
- 27 **may establish a school corporation police department and do the**
- 28 **following for the school corporation police department:**
- 29 (1) **Appoint school corporation police officers.**
- 30 (2) **Prescribe the duties and direct the conduct of school**
- 31 **corporation police officers.**
- 32 (3) **Prescribe distinctive uniforms.**
- 33 (4) **Provide emergency vehicles.**
- 34 (b) **To be eligible for appointment as a school corporation police**
- 35 **officer, an individual must successfully complete at least the**
- 36 **minimum basic training and educational requirements adopted by**
- 37 **the law enforcement training board under IC 5-2-1-9 as necessary**
- 38 **for employment as a law enforcement officer.**
- 39 (c) **Notwithstanding subsection (b) and IC 5-2-1-9, an individual**
- 40 **appointed as a school corporation police officer before July 1, 2005**
- 41 **must complete, not later than July 1, 2010, at least the minimum**
- 42 **basic training and educational requirements adopted by the law**

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1 enforcement training board under IC 5-2-1-9 as necessary for  
 2 employment as a law enforcement officer.  
 3 (d) A school corporation police officer appointed under this  
 4 section:  
 5 (1) is a law enforcement officer (as defined in IC 5-2-1-2(1));  
 6 (2) must take an appropriate oath of office in a form and  
 7 manner prescribed by the governing body;  
 8 (3) serves at the governing body's pleasure;  
 9 (4) performs the duties that the governing body assigns; and  
 10 (5) has full police powers to enforce all the penal laws of the  
 11 state and possesses, with respect to those laws, the power to  
 12 effect arrests for offenses committed in the school corporation  
 13 police officer's presence.  
 14 (e) A school corporation police department established before  
 15 July 1, 2005, shall be considered a school corporation police  
 16 department established under this chapter after June 30, 2005.

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