



**HOUSE JOINT
RESOLUTION No. 12**

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

Citations Affected: Article 8 of the Indiana Constitution.

Synopsis: Free textbooks. Requires the general assembly to provide that textbooks be provided to all public school students without charge. This proposed amendment has not been previously agreed to by a general assembly.

Effective: This proposed amendment must be agreed to by two consecutive general assemblies and ratified by a majority of the state's voters voting on the question to be effective.

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January 18, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

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Introduced

First Regular Session 114th General Assembly (2005)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2004 Regular General Assembly.

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A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to Article 8 of the Indiana Constitution concerning education finance.

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of the
- 2 State of Indiana is proposed and agreed to by this, the One Hundred
- 3 Fourteenth General Assembly of the State of Indiana, and is referred to
- 4 the next General Assembly for reconsideration and agreement.
- 5 SECTION 2. ARTICLE 8, SECTION 1 OF THE CONSTITUTION
- 6 OF THE STATE OF INDIANA IS AMENDED TO READ AS
- 7 FOLLOWS: Section 1. Knowledge and learning, generally diffused
- 8 throughout a community, being essential to the preservation of a free
- 9 government; it shall be the duty of the General Assembly to encourage,
- 10 by all suitable means, moral, intellectual, scientific, and agricultural
- 11 improvement; and to provide, by law, for a general and uniform system
- 12 of Common Schools, wherein tuition shall be without charge, and
- 13 equally open to all. **The General Assembly shall provide by law that**



1 textbooks are provided to all students in public schools without
2 charge.

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