



February 15, 2008

**ENGROSSED
HOUSE BILL No. 1159**

DIGEST OF HB 1159 (Updated February 14, 2008 11:24 am - DI 101)

Citations Affected: Noncode.

Synopsis: 211 services. Requires the regulatory flexibility committee (committee) to study certain issues concerning human service information and referral services in Indiana. Requires the committee to submit a report on its recommendations to the legislative council not later than December 1, 2008.

Effective: Upon passage.

Welch, Lutz, Kersey, Borrer

(SENATE SPONSORS — MERRITT, BRODEN)

January 10, 2008, read first time and referred to Committee on Small Business and Economic Development.

January 24, 2008, amended, reported — Do Pass.

January 28, 2008, read second time, ordered engrossed. Engrossed.

January 29, 2008, read third time, passed. Yeas 89, nays 0.

SENATE ACTION

January 29, 2008, read first time and referred to Committee on Utilities and Regulatory Affairs.

February 14, 2008, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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Second Regular Session 115th General Assembly (2008)

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 2007 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning utilities.

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

1 SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) **The definitions**
2 **in IC 8-1-19.5 apply throughout this SECTION.**

3 (b) **As used in this SECTION, "committee" refers to the**
4 **regulatory flexibility committee established by IC 8-1-2.6-4.**

5 (c) **As used in this SECTION, "information and referral**
6 **services" includes the following:**

7 (1) **Toll free information and referral telephone lines.**

8 (2) **Human services data bases.**

9 (3) **Human services resource directories.**

10 (d) **Not later than November 1, 2008, the committee shall study**
11 **the following:**

12 (1) **The availability and scope of human service information**
13 **and referral services in Indiana.**

14 (2) **Methods to:**

15 (A) **enhance the use and delivery of; and**

16 (B) **ensure the adequate funding of;**

17 **information and referral services in Indiana, including**
18 **statewide 211 services.**

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- 1 **(3) Methods to promote increased collaboration between and**
- 2 **among:**
- 3 **(A) human services providers; and**
- 4 **(B) information and referral service providers;**
- 5 **in Indiana.**
- 6 **(e) In conducting the study required under subsection (d), the**
- 7 **committee may consult with:**
- 8 **(1) the Indiana utility regulatory commission created by**
- 9 **IC 8-1-1-2;**
- 10 **(2) any state agency or department that provides human**
- 11 **services;**
- 12 **(3) any nonprofit organization that provides human services;**
- 13 **(4) a recognized 211 service provider; or**
- 14 **(5) any other person that the committee determines will assist**
- 15 **the committee in studying the issues set forth in subsection**
- 16 **(d).**
- 17 **(f) The committee shall prepare a report on the committee's**
- 18 **recommendations, if any, concerning the issues set forth in**
- 19 **subsection (d) and shall submit the report to the legislative council**
- 20 **in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6 not later than December**
- 21 **1, 2008.**
- 22 **(g) This SECTION expires January 1, 2009.**
- 23 **SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.**

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Small Business and Economic Development, to which was referred House Bill 1159, 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:

Delete the title and insert the following:

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

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

(SEE TEXT OF BILL)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1159 as introduced.)

ORENTLICHER, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 9, nays 0.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Utilities and Regulatory Affairs, to which was referred House Bill No. 1159, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Delete the title and insert the following:

A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning utilities.

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

(SEE TEXT OF BILL)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1159 as printed January 25, 2008.)

HERSHMAN, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0.

