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## SENATE BILL No. 224

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DIGEST OF SB 224 (Updated February 18, 2009 5:04 pm - DI 71)

**Citations Affected:** IC 20-24; IC 20-26.

**Synopsis:** Virtual education. Defines "virtual school". Sets forth requirements for virtual schools established by school corporations or charter schools.

**Effective:** July 1, 2009.

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January 7, 2009, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.  
February 19, 2009, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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February 20, 2009

First Regular Session 116th General Assembly (2009)

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~~.

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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 20-24-8-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.2-2006,  
2 SECTION 111, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 5. The following statutes and rules  
4 and guidelines adopted under the following statutes apply to a charter  
5 school:  
6 (1) IC 5-11-1-9 (required audits by the state board of accounts).  
7 (2) IC 20-39-1-1 (unified accounting system).  
8 (3) IC 20-35 (special education).  
9 (4) IC 20-26-5-10 and IC 20-28-5-9 (criminal history).  
10 (5) IC 20-26-5-6 (subject to laws requiring regulation by state  
11 agencies).  
12 (6) IC 20-28-7-14 (void teacher contract when two (2) contracts  
13 are signed).  
14 (7) IC 20-28-10-12 (nondiscrimination for teacher marital status).  
15 (8) IC 20-28-10-14 (teacher freedom of association).  
16 (9) IC 20-28-10-17 (school counselor immunity).  
17 (10) For conversion charter schools only, IC 20-28-6, IC 20-28-7,

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1 IC 20-28-8, IC 20-28-9, and IC 20-28-10.  
 2 (11) IC 20-33-2 (compulsory school attendance).  
 3 (12) IC 20-33-3 (limitations on employment of children).  
 4 (13) IC 20-33-8-19, IC 20-33-8-21, and IC 20-33-8-22 (student  
 5 due process and judicial review).  
 6 (14) IC 20-33-8-16 (firearms and deadly weapons).  
 7 (15) IC 20-34-3 (health and safety measures).  
 8 (16) IC 20-33-9 (reporting of student violations of law).  
 9 (17) IC 20-30-3-2 and IC 20-30-3-4 (patriotic commemorative  
 10 observances).  
 11 (18) IC 20-31-3, IC 20-32-4, IC 20-32-5, IC 20-32-6, IC 20-32-8,  
 12 or any other statute, rule, or guideline related to standardized  
 13 testing (assessment programs, including remediation under the  
 14 assessment programs).  
 15 (19) IC 20-33-7 (parental access to education records).  
 16 (20) IC 20-31 (accountability for school performance and  
 17 improvement).  
 18 **(21) For virtual schools established by a charter school,**  
 19 **IC 20-30-2-3 (number of student instructional days).**  
 20 SECTION 2. IC 20-26-17 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
 21 AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 22 JULY 1, 2009]:  
 23 **Chapter 17. Virtual Education**  
 24 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "virtual school" means an entity**  
 25 **that provides for the delivery of more than fifty percent (50%) of**  
 26 **instruction to students through virtual distance learning, online**  
 27 **technology, or computer based instruction.**  
 28 **Sec. 2. A virtual school must comply with IC 20-30-2-3.**  
 29 **Sec. 3. A school corporation or a charter school that enrolls a**  
 30 **full-time student in a virtual school shall include the student in the**  
 31 **ADM of the school corporation or charter school for funding**  
 32 **purposes.**

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Education and Career Development, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 224, 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:

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Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 224 as introduced.)

LUBBERS, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0.

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