



January 25, 2013

SENATE BILL No. 120

DIGEST OF SB 120 (Updated January 24, 2013 7:24 am - DI 116)

Citations Affected: IC 20-30.

Synopsis: Cursive writing in school curriculum. Requires each school corporation and accredited nonpublic elementary school to include cursive writing in its curriculum. Provides that reading is part the of the language arts curriculum required in a school corporation's curriculum.

Effective: July 1, 2013.

**Leising, Delph, Becker, Arnold J,
Grooms, Waterman, Steele, Tomes,
Kruse, Randolph, Smith J,
Miller Patricia**

January 7, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.
January 24, 2013, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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First Regular Session 118th General Assembly (2013)

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 2012 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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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 20-30-5-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.86-2007,
2 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 7. Each school corporation shall include in the
4 school corporation's curriculum the following studies:
5 (1) Language arts, including:
6 (A) English;
7 (B) grammar;
8 **(C) reading;**
9 ~~(D)~~ **(D)** composition;
10 ~~(E)~~ **(E)** speech; ~~and~~
11 ~~(F)~~ **(F)** second languages; **and**
12 **(G) for an elementary school, cursive writing.**
13 (2) Mathematics.
14 (3) Social studies and citizenship, including the:
15 (A) constitutions;
16 (B) governmental systems; and
17 (C) histories;

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1 of Indiana and the United States, including a study of the
2 Holocaust in each high school United States history course.
3 (4) Sciences.
4 (5) Fine arts, including music and art.
5 (6) Health education, physical fitness, safety, and the effects of
6 alcohol, tobacco, drugs, and other substances on the human body.
7 (7) Additional studies selected by each governing body, subject
8 to revision by the state board.
9 SECTION 2. IC 20-30-5-7.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
10 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
11 1, 2013]: **Sec. 7.2. An accredited nonpublic elementary school shall**
12 **include in the accredited nonpublic elementary school's curriculum**
13 **language arts studies in cursive writing.**

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Education and Career Development, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 120, 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:

Page 1, between lines 7 and 8, begin a new line double block indented and insert:

"(C) reading;".

Page 1, line 8, strike "(C)" and insert "(D)".

Page 1, line 9, strike "(D)" and insert "(E)".

Page 1, line 10, strike "(E)" and insert "(F)".

Page 1, delete line 11, begin a new line double block indented and insert:

"(G) for an elementary school, cursive writing."

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 120 as introduced.)

KRUSE, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 7, Nays 4.

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