
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL RESOLUTION 00-1

(As adopted May 25, 2000)

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE INDIANA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:

SECTION 1. The interim study committees described in SECTION 2 are established. Each committee is composed of twelve (12) voting members, with six (6) appointed from the House by the Chairman of the Council, and six (6) appointed from the Senate by the Vice-Chairman of the Council. Appointments from each chamber shall be divided equally between the two major political parties.

The Chairman of the Council, with the advice of the Vice-Chairman, shall designate the chairman of each committee, and may in the same manner designate a vice-chairman of each committee. The Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council may each appoint non-legislators to serve as non-voting members of a committee.

SECTION 2. Each committee shall study and make findings and recommendations concerning the topics assigned to it:

1. INTERIM STUDY COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION ISSUES (To be chaired by a member of the Senate)

CHARGE TO THE COMMITTEE:

- A. Study issues of predatory lending (HR 89)
- B. Evaluate the need for continuing education requirements for occupations and professions regulated by the Professional Licensing Agency. (Legislative Council)
- C. Study the possibility of requiring not less than one-half of certain continuing education requirements to be earned from long distance learning courses. (SCR 63)
- D. Study the hiring practices, salary structure, and other employment practices of state agencies (SB 388)
- E. Study the impact of the federal AIR 21 act on Indiana airports, including the need for additional appropriations to and staffing for the aeronautics section of the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) (Legislative Council)

2. INTERIM STUDY COMMITTEE ON RURAL AND AGRICULTURAL ISSUES

(To be chaired by a member of the House)

CHARGE TO THE COMMITTEE:

A. Study the relationship of buried utilities to the limited spacing for the postal system (HR 100)

B. Study regional water and sewer districts (HR 102, HB 1248)

C. Study the creation of a “safety net” for Indiana family farms (SCR 62)

3. INTERIM STUDY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUES

(To be chaired by a member of the Senate)

CHARGE TO THE COMMITTEE:

A. Study the need for traffic control indicators on police cars (HCR 27)

B. Study issues related to uninsured motorists and uninsured motorist insurance (HB 1144).

C. Study issues relating to the development of a statewide mechanism to review unexplained or unexpected child fatalities in Indiana (HB 1193)

D. Study of fireworks industry in Indiana, including enforceability of and advisability of reexamining existing laws pertaining to fireworks (HR 92)

4. INTERIM STUDY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION ISSUES

(To be chaired by a member of the House)

CHARGE TO THE COMMITTEE:

A. Study educational programs for high ability students (SCR 35)

B. Examine the issue of creating a school evaluation program (SCR 70)

C. Study issues related to secondary school vocational education programs (HB 1284)

D. Study a higher education common course numbering system (Legislative Council)

5. INTERIM STUDY COMMITTEE ON MEDICAID OVERSIGHT (Legislative Council)

(To be chaired by a member of the House)

A. Study whether the OMPP's provider claims processing contractor has properly performed the terms of its contract with the State.

B. Study and make recommendations concerning administrative procedures needed to eliminate Medicaid claims reimbursement backlogs, delays, and errors.

C. Study and make recommendations concerning the implementation of a case mix reimbursement system designed for Medicaid certified nursing facilities developed by OMPP.

D. Study any other matter related to the Medicaid system in Indiana.

SECTION 3. The Legislative Council requests the following entities to study the topics indicated, and if possible to submit findings and recommendations to the Council before November 1, 2000:

1. TO THE COMMISSION ON STATE TAX AND FINANCING POLICY:

A. Study the enactment of tax exemptions or tax credits, or both, on raw materials used by Indiana manufacturers (HR44)

B. Study the desirability and feasibility of establishing Renaissance Zones with the State of Indiana (SR 12)

C. Study the issue of annual adjustments to the true tax values of real property and the need for periodic physical inspections of real property (HB 1337)

D. Study potential shifts among classes of taxpayers resulting from the next general reassessment (HB 1219)

E. Study the taxation of retirement benefits for federal employees (Legislative Council)

F. Study the issue of state taxation of electronic commerce (Legislative Council)

G. Monitor the implementation of P.L. 6-1997 (Legislative Council)

2. TO THE COMMISSION ON MENTAL HEALTH

A. Study the feasibility and desirability of creating a legislatively approved distribution formula for mental health funds (HR 75)

B. Examine the comprehensive needs of persons with Serious Mental Illness (HCR 82)

C. Examine the issue of civil commitment of sexually violent predators (SCR 68)

D. Study the topic of mental health services for children (SR 31)

3. TO THE COMMISSION ON COURTS

- A. Study the fiscal impact of trial costs on county budgets (HCR 13)
- B. Study the financing and expenses associated with the operation of city and town courts (Legislative Council)

4. TO THE CHILD CUSTODY AND SUPPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- A. Study issues concerning child custody, visitation, and age of emancipation (SCR 51)

5. TO THE ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED SENILE DEMENTIA TASK FORCE

- A. Examine the need for alternative care options for individuals prone to violent behavior due to the effects of dementia or related diseases (SCR 18)

6. TO THE WATER RESOURCES STUDY COMMITTEE

- A. Study the need for revisions in the law on regulated drains (HB 1076)

7. TO THE STATE FAIR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- A. Receive reports from the trustees of the center for agricultural science and heritage (HB 1155)

8. TO THE REGULATORY FLEXIBILITY COMMITTEE

- A. Study the issues relating to the provision of video and voice coverage of sessions of the general assembly through the Internet or a cable television service (HR 22)
- B. Study the issue of utility subsidies to affiliates or unregulated activities (HR 59)
- C. Study the topic of merchant power plants (SCR 34; HCR 81)
- D. Review the issue of open access to Internet services (SCR 48)

9. TO THE PENSION MANAGEMENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

- A. Study local public safety personnel pensions (HR 58)

B. Study state funded health care, including prescription drug insurance for retired state employees (HR 70)

C. Study issues dealing with chief of police and town marshal pensions and health insurance (SCR 6)

D. Study the benefit of permitting members of the Public Employees' Retirement Fund to make any discretionary contributions to their annuity savings accounts in annuities provided by additional licensed insurers (SR 34)

10. TO THE NATURAL RESOURCES STUDY COMMITTEE

A. Study the system used by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources to issue sporting licenses (HR 68)

B. Study the sale, ownership, and possession in Indiana of wild animals, including exotic mammals (HB 1153)

11. TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE STUDY COMMISSION

A. Study the feasibility of establishing shelters for the homeless and the extent to which the lack of funding has aggravated the problem of homelessness (HCR 35)

12. TO THE HEALTH FINANCE COMMISSION

A. Study the provisions of the Federal Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act and the options created for Indiana by the act (HR 69)

B. Receive recommendations from the Secretary of the Family and Social Services Administration concerning obesity in adults and children and costly health complications (HCR 48)

C. Study the development of a methodology to objectively provide information to the general assembly regarding the impact of proposed or enacted health insurance mandates (SCR 13)

D. Study the topic of privacy of personal health information (SR 32)

E. Study health facilities, training of employees, and complaint procedures (HB 1124)

13. TO THE CRIMINAL LAW STUDY COMMISSION

A. Study murder sentencing (HR 43)

B. Review the death penalty in Indiana (SCR 69)

**14. TO THE MENTAL RETARDATION AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
STUDY COMMITTEE**

A. Study the issues relating to the Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities Program (First Steps)
(SCR 47)

B. Study and make recommendations concerning the issue of requiring all persons who work
with developmentally disabled persons to undergo criminal history checks. (Legislative Council)

Converted by Andrew Scriven