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ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL No. 1177

DIGEST OF HB 1177 (Updated April 13, 2023 9:48 am - DI 140)

Citations Affected: IC 10-21; IC 20-19; IC 20-26; IC 20-49; IC 35-47.

Synopsis: Handgun training for teachers. Creates a specialized firearms safety, education, and training curriculum (curriculum) for teachers, school staff, and school employees. Specifies curriculum requirements. Authorizes funds from the: (1) Indiana secured schools fund; and (2) school corporation and charter school safety advance program; to be used for the purpose of providing specialized firearms instruction to certain teachers, school staff, and school employees, and for providing counseling services to students, teachers, school staff, and school employees in the event of a school shooting. Requires a charter school, accredited nonpublic school, or school corporation to ensure that a teacher, school staff member, or school employee who
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Effective: July 1, 2023.

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(SENATE SPONSORS — HOLDMAN, GARTEN, BALDWIN, KOCH,
BYRNE, JOHNSON T, CRANE)

January 10, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.
February 9, 2023, reported — Do Pass.
February 13, 2023, read second time, ordered engrossed.
February 14, 2023, engrossed. Read third time, passed. Yeas 71, nays 24.

SENATE ACTION

February 27, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.
April 6, 2023, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass; reassigned to Committee on Appropriations.
April 13, 2023, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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receives a grant from the Indiana secured schools fund for the purpose of receiving specialized firearms instruction complies with certain requirements. Provides that the identity of any person who: (1) enrolls in; (2) participates in; or (3) completes; the curriculum is confidential. Provides that a public school or an accredited nonpublic school may not conduct a training or drill for an employee of the school that includes, as any part of the training or drill, the expelling of any type of projectile at the employee unless: (1) the school informs the employee of the use of projectiles in the training or drill; and (2) the employee consents, in writing, to the use of projectiles during the training or drill. Provides that a public school or an accredited nonpublic school may not conduct or approve a training or drill for a student of the school that includes, as any part of the training or drill, the expelling of any type of projectile. Authorizes a qualified retired law enforcement officer to carry or possess a firearm on school property. Requires the department of education, in collaboration with the state police department, to identify a set of best practices and develop a set of educational materials concerning the safe possession and storage of a firearm in a home with a child. Provides that the department of education shall provide the best practices and educational materials to certain schools for annual distribution to parents of students. Makes conforming and technical amendments.

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ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL No. 1177

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 10-21-1-16 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2023]: **Sec. 16. (a) A school corporation, charter school, or
4 accredited nonpublic school may apply to the department for a
5 grant from the fund to:**
6 **(1) increase school safety by:**
7 **(A) helping teachers, school staff, and school employees
8 acquire specialized firearms instruction as described in
9 IC 10-21-3; and**
10 **(B) defraying tuition related expenses for teachers, school
11 staff, and school employees who wish to enroll in the
12 course of firearms instruction described in IC 10-21-3; or**
13 **(2) provide funding in the event of a school shooting to cover
14 the costs of counseling for students, teachers, school staff, and
15 school employees.**
16 **(b) A school corporation, charter school, or accredited
17 nonpublic school:**

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1 (1) is not subject to the restriction in section 4 of this chapter
 2 that a school corporation, charter school, or accredited
 3 nonpublic school may receive only one (1) matching grant
 4 each year; and

5 (2) may receive an additional matching grant under section 4
 6 of this chapter for the purposes described in subsection (a).

7 SECTION 2. IC 10-21-3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
 8 A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
 9 1, 2023]:

10 **Chapter 3. Specialized Firearms Instruction for Teachers,
 11 School Staff, and School Employees**

12 **Sec. 1. The following terms are defined for this chapter:**

13 (1) "Accredited nonpublic school" means a nonpublic school
 14 that:

15 (A) has voluntarily become accredited under IC 20-31-4.1;
 16 or

17 (B) is accredited by a national or regional accrediting
 18 agency that is recognized by the state board of education.

19 (2) "Charter school" has the meaning set forth in
 20 IC 20-24-1-4.

21 (3) "Department" refers to the department of homeland
 22 security established by IC 10-19-2-1.

23 (4) "School corporation" has the meaning set forth in
 24 IC 20-26-2-4.

25 **Sec. 2. A charter school, accredited nonpublic school, or school
 26 corporation that has a teacher, staff member, or employee who is:**

27 (1) currently employed by a:

28 (A) charter school;

29 (B) accredited nonpublic school; or

30 (C) school corporation;

31 (2) not currently subject to:

32 (A) an administrative suspension or investigation;

33 (B) a disciplinary complaint or disciplinary investigation;

34 (C) a criminal investigation or prosecution; or

35 (D) any proceeding or investigation comparable to those
 36 described in clauses (A) through (C); and

37 (3) authorized by:

38 (A) a school board (as defined by IC 20-26-9-4); or

39 (B) the body that administers an accredited nonpublic
 40 school or a charter school established under IC 20-24;

41 to carry a firearm in or on school property;

42 may apply to the department for a grant from the Indiana secured



1 school fund established by IC 10-21-1-2.

2 Sec. 3. (a) A charter school, accredited nonpublic school, or
3 school corporation shall apply for a grant from the department in
4 the form and manner prescribed by the department.

5 (b) The department may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2, including
6 emergency rules in the manner provided under IC 4-22-2-37.1, to
7 implement this section.

8 Sec. 4. A grant provided to a charter school, accredited
9 nonpublic school, or school corporation under section 3 of this
10 chapter must be used by a teacher, school staff member, or school
11 employee to enroll in a course of specialized firearms instruction
12 that:

13 (1) is taught by an instructor who is or instructors who are
14 qualified to provide instruction in the topics described in
15 subdivision (2); and

16 (2) consists of the following topics:

17 (A) Not less than one (1) hour of general firearms safety.

18 This topic shall consist of the following subtopics:

19 (i) Safe handling of firearms.

20 (ii) Safe carrying of firearms.

21 (iii) Safe storage of firearms.

22 (B) Not less than one-half (1/2) hour of firearms
23 maintenance. This topic shall consist of the following
24 subtopics:

25 (i) General care of firearms.

26 (ii) Basic firearm cleaning, oiling, preventative
27 maintenance, and repair.

28 (C) Not less than twenty-four (24) hours on the following
29 topics:

30 (i) Basic marksmanship training that includes a
31 qualification standard established by the course
32 instructor.

33 (ii) Scenario based training.

34 (D) Not less than eight (8) hours of dynamic gun drills.
35 This topic shall consist of the following subtopics:

36 (i) Shooting in high-stress environments.

37 (ii) Shooting in highly populated environments.

38 (iii) Shooting while moving and communicating with
39 third parties.

40 (iv) Shooting at multiple targets.

41 (v) Shooting while moving to and from cover.

42 (E) Not less than one (1) hour on the topic of firearms



- 1 retention. This topic shall consist of the following
2 subtopics:
- 3 (i) Retention of a handgun while holstered.
 - 4 (ii) Retention of a handgun while drawn.
 - 5 (iii) Retention of shotguns and rifles.
 - 6 (iv) Responses to common handgun, shotgun, and rifle
7 disarming techniques.
- 8 (F) Not less than two (2) hours on the topic of tactical
9 movement and maneuvering while armed. This topic shall
10 discuss the presentation and manipulation of a firearm
11 while:
- 12 (i) moving;
 - 13 (ii) in hallways;
 - 14 (iii) at room entrances;
 - 15 (iv) in open spaces and venues; and
 - 16 (v) in restricted spaces and areas.
- 17 (G) Not less than one (1) hour on the legal consequences of
18 a use of force action.
- 19 (H) Not less than one (1) hour on the topic of post-shooting
20 considerations and consequences. This topic shall consist
21 of the following subtopics:
- 22 (i) Psychological and emotional responses following a
23 shooting or use of force action.
 - 24 (ii) The proper securing of a weapon following a
25 shooting.
 - 26 (iii) The preservation of evidence following a shooting or
27 use of force action.
 - 28 (iv) Safely identifying oneself to a law enforcement
29 officer while armed or immediately following a use of
30 force action.
- 31 (I) Not less than one (1) hour on the topic of school
32 shootings and active shooter incidents. This topic shall
33 evaluate and analyze past school shootings and active
34 shooter incidents for the purpose of:
- 35 (i) illustrating concepts discussed during the safety and
36 training course; and
 - 37 (ii) critiquing ineffective or dangerous responses made
38 by other individuals during the course of a school
39 shooting or active shooter incident.
- 40 (J) Any other topic or remedial training:
- 41 (i) deemed appropriate or necessary by the course
42 instructor; or



1 (ii) necessitated by circumstances or conditions unique to
2 a specific school, teacher, or student.

3 (K) Not less than one (1) hour of tactical emergency
4 medical instruction.

5 Sec. 5. A charter school, accredited nonpublic school, or school
6 corporation that desires to apply for a grant from the department
7 under section 3 of this chapter must require each teacher, school
8 staff member, or school employee who seeks to use grant funds as
9 specified under this chapter to:

10 (1) have successfully completed the Minnesota multiphasic
11 personality inventory 2 (MMPI-2); and

12 (2) be able to provide proof of having completed the
13 Minnesota multiphasic personality inventory 2 (MMPI-2) to
14 the department upon request.

15 Sec. 6. (a) A charter school, accredited nonpublic school, or
16 school corporation that receives a grant from the department
17 under section 3 of this chapter shall ensure that any teacher, school
18 staff member, or school employee of the charter school, accredited
19 nonpublic school, or school corporation who receives training
20 funded by the grant enrolls in a course of firearms instruction that
21 meets the requirements specified in section 4 of this chapter.

22 (b) The course of firearms instruction may be completed in
23 parts or phases if permitted by the course instructor.

24 Sec. 7. (a) A teacher, school staff member, or school employee
25 who successfully completes a course of firearms instruction
26 described in section 4 of this chapter shall be awarded a certificate
27 of completion by the course instructor.

28 (b) A certificate of completion described under this section shall
29 display the following information:

30 (1) The course enrollee's name.

31 (2) The course instructor's name.

32 (3) The course instructor's handwritten signature.

33 (4) The date of course completion.

34 (5) Any other information deemed relevant or necessary by
35 the course instructor.

36 Sec. 8. A grant provided under section 3 of this chapter may not
37 be used to acquire firearms instruction that:

38 (1) fails to address each topic and subtopic described in
39 section 4 of this chapter; or

40 (2) is provided by a person lacking a valid certification or
41 necessary qualification, as applicable, to teach each topic and
42 subtopic described in section 4 of this chapter.



1 **Sec. 9. A charter school, accredited nonpublic school, or school**
 2 **corporation that:**

- 3 **(1) violates section 8 of this chapter;**
 4 **(2) uses a grant provided under section 3 of this chapter for a**
 5 **purpose not specified in section 4 of this chapter; or**
 6 **(3) is unable to provide the department with:**
 7 **(A) a certificate of completion described in section 7(b) of**
 8 **this chapter for a teacher, school staff member, or school**
 9 **employee;**
 10 **(B) proof that the teacher, school staff member, or school**
 11 **employee is:**
 12 **(i) currently enrolled in; or**
 13 **(ii) otherwise in the process of completing;**
 14 **a course of firearms instruction that complies with section**
 15 **4 of this chapter upon request; or**
 16 **(C) proof that a teacher, school staff member, or school**
 17 **employee has completed the Minnesota multiphasic**
 18 **personality inventory 2 (MMPI-2) upon request by the**
 19 **department;**

20 **must reimburse the department in an amount equal to the amount**
 21 **of any grant originally issued to the charter school, accredited**
 22 **nonpublic school, or school corporation under this chapter.**

23 **Sec. 10. (a) The identity of a person who has enrolled in,**
 24 **participated in, or completed the firearms instruction described in**
 25 **section 4 of this chapter is confidential.**

26 **(b) A charter school, accredited nonpublic school, or school**
 27 **corporation may not disclose the identity of any person described**
 28 **in subsection (a) unless otherwise required by law.**

29 SECTION 3. IC 20-19-3-30.4 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
 30 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
 31 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: **Sec. 30.4. (a) The department, in**
 32 **collaboration with the state police department, shall:**

- 33 **(1) identify a set of best practices; and**
 34 **(2) develop a set of educational materials;**
 35 **regarding recommendations for the safe possession and storage of**
 36 **a firearm in a home with a child.**

37 **(b) The best practices and educational materials described in**
 38 **subsection (a) must include information on:**

- 39 **(1) firearm access;**
 40 **(2) firearm handling;**
 41 **(3) firearm storage;**
 42 **(4) ammunition access; and**



- 1 **(5) ammunition storage.**
 2 **(c) After December 31, 2023, the department shall provide the**
 3 **best practices and educational materials described in subsection (a)**
 4 **to public schools, charter schools, and state accredited nonpublic**
 5 **schools for annual distribution to parents of students.**
 6 **(d) The department shall maintain a public website that**
 7 **contains the best practices and educational materials described in**
 8 **subsection (a). The department shall publicize the website and**
 9 **promote the best practices and educational materials to all**
 10 **elementary and high schools operating in the state.**
 11 SECTION 4. IC 20-26-5-43.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
 12 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
 13 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: **Sec. 43.5. (a) Notwithstanding any**
 14 **other law or provision, a public school, including a charter school,**
 15 **or an accredited nonpublic school may not conduct a training or**
 16 **drill for an employee of the school that includes as any part of the**
 17 **training or drill the expelling of any type of projectile at the**
 18 **employee unless:**
 19 **(1) the school informs the employee of the use of projectiles in**
 20 **the training or drill; and**
 21 **(2) the employee provides the school with written consent to**
 22 **participate in training or a drill involving the use of**
 23 **projectiles.**
 24 **(b) Notwithstanding any other law or provision, a public school,**
 25 **charter school, or accredited nonpublic school may not conduct or**
 26 **approve of any training or a drill for a student of the school that**
 27 **includes as any part of the training or drill the expelling of any**
 28 **type of projectile at a student.**
 29 SECTION 5. IC 20-49-10-4, AS ADDED BY P.L.211-2018(ss),
 30 SECTION 13, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 31 JULY 1, 2023]: **Sec. 4. (a) The school corporation and charter school**
 32 **safety advance program is established. The purpose of the program is**
 33 **to:**
 34 **(1) make advances to school corporations or charter schools (or**
 35 **one (1) or more coalitions of public schools applying jointly) for**
 36 **equipment purchases or capital improvements necessary to**
 37 **improve school security;**
 38 **(2) increase school safety by:**
 39 **(A) helping teachers, school staff, and school employees**
 40 **acquire specialized firearms instruction; and**
 41 **(B) defraying tuition related expenses for teachers, school**
 42 **staff, and school employees who wish to enroll in the**



1 **course of firearms instruction described in IC 10-21-3; and**
 2 **(3) provide funding in the event of a school shooting to cover**
 3 **the costs of counseling for students, teachers, school staff, and**
 4 **school employees.**

5 (b) The state board, in consultation with the secured school safety
 6 board established by IC 10-21-1-3, shall administer the program.

7 (c) The total amount of advances that the state board may make
 8 under this chapter during the state biennium beginning July 1, 2017,
 9 and ending June 30, 2019, may not exceed thirty-five million dollars
 10 (\$35,000,000).

11 SECTION 6. IC 20-49-10-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.211-2018(ss),
 12 SECTION 13, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 13 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 5. (a) Advances made under this chapter may be
 14 used to:

- 15 (1) purchase equipment, or make capital improvements needed to:
 16 ~~(A)~~ (A) restrict access to schools;
 17 ~~(B)~~ (B) expedite the notification of first responders; or
 18 ~~(C)~~ (C) improve school security;

19 (2) increase school safety by:

- 20 (A) helping teachers, school staff, and school employees
 21 acquire specialized firearms instruction; and
 22 (B) defraying tuition related expenses for teachers, school
 23 staff, and school employees who wish to enroll in the
 24 course of firearms instruction described in IC 10-21-3; or
 25 (3) provide funding in the event of a school shooting to cover
 26 the costs of counseling for students, teachers, school staff, and
 27 school employees.

28 (b) The maximum amount of an advance that a school corporation
 29 or charter school may receive under this chapter may not exceed five
 30 hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000).

31 (c) The maximum amount of the advance that the state board may
 32 approve under section 6(c) of this chapter is the lesser of:

- 33 (1) the maximum amount of an advance that may be awarded as
 34 established by subsection (b); or
 35 (2) the amount needed to cover costs approved by the secured
 36 school safety board that are in excess of the amount awarded by
 37 the secured school safety board under IC 10-21-1-4 and the
 38 amount committed as a match by the school corporation or charter
 39 school (or coalition of public schools filing jointly) that applied
 40 for the grant under IC 10-21-1-5.

41 SECTION 7. IC 35-47-9-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.107-2019,
 42 SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE



- 1 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 1. (a) This chapter does not apply to the following:
 2 (1) A:
 3 (A) federal;
 4 (B) state; or
 5 (C) local;
 6 law enforcement officer.
 7 (2) A:
 8 (A) **qualified law enforcement officer (as defined in 18**
 9 **U.S.C. 926B); or**
 10 **(B) qualified retired law enforcement officer (as defined in**
 11 **18 U.S.C. 926C);**
 12 **if the qualified law enforcement officer or qualified retired**
 13 **law enforcement officer, as applicable, carries the**
 14 **photographic identification required by 18 U.S.C. 926B or 18**
 15 **U.S.C. 926C.**
 16 ~~(2)~~ (3) A person who may legally possess a firearm and who has
 17 been authorized by:
 18 (A) a school board (as defined by IC 20-26-9-4); or
 19 (B) the body that administers a charter school established
 20 under IC 20-24;
 21 to carry a firearm in or on school property.
 22 ~~(3)~~ (4) Except as provided in subsection (b) or (c), a person who:
 23 (A) may legally possess a firearm; and
 24 (B) possesses the firearm in a motor vehicle.
 25 ~~(4)~~ (5) A person who is a school resource officer, as defined in
 26 IC 20-26-18.2-1.
 27 ~~(5)~~ (6) Except as provided in subsection (b) or (c), a person who:
 28 (A) may legally possess a firearm; and
 29 (B) possesses only a firearm that is:
 30 (i) locked in the trunk of the person's motor vehicle;
 31 (ii) kept in the glove compartment of the person's locked
 32 motor vehicle; or
 33 (iii) stored out of plain sight in the person's locked motor
 34 vehicle.
 35 ~~(6)~~ (7) A person who:
 36 (A) may legally possess a firearm; and
 37 (B) possesses a firearm on school property in connection with
 38 or while:
 39 (i) attending a worship service or religious ceremony
 40 conducted at a house of worship located on the school
 41 property; or
 42 (ii) carrying out the person's official duties at a house of



- 1 worship located on the school property, if the person is
2 employed by or a volunteer at the house of worship.
- 3 This subdivision does not affect the right of a property owner to
4 prohibit, in whole or in part, the possession of a firearm on a
5 property where a school or house of worship is located.
- 6 (b) For purposes of subsection ~~(a)(3)~~ **(a)(4)** and ~~(a)(5)~~; **(a)(6)**, a
7 person does not include a person who is:
- 8 (1) enrolled as a student in any high school except if the person is
9 a high school student and is a member of a shooting sports team
10 and the school's principal has approved the person keeping a
11 firearm concealed in the person's motor vehicle on the days the
12 person is competing or practicing as a member of a shooting
13 sports team; or
- 14 (2) a former student of the school if the person is no longer
15 enrolled in the school due to a disciplinary action within the
16 previous twenty-four (24) months.
- 17 (c) For purposes of subsection ~~(a)(3)~~ **(a)(4)** and ~~(a)(5)~~; **(a)(6)**, a
18 motor vehicle does not include a motor vehicle owned, leased, or
19 controlled by a school or school district unless the person who
20 possesses the firearm is authorized by the school or school district to
21 possess a firearm.



COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Education, to which was referred House Bill 1177, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1177 as introduced.)

BEHNING

Committee Vote: Yeas 9, Nays 4

COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Education and Career Development, to which was referred House Bill No. 1177, 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, delete lines 1 through 17.

Delete pages 2 through 7.

Page 8, delete lines 1 through 7, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 1. IC 10-21-1-16 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: **Sec. 16. (a) A school corporation, charter school, or accredited nonpublic school may apply to the department for a grant from the fund to:**

(1) increase school safety by:

(A) helping teachers, school staff, and school employees acquire specialized firearms instruction as described in IC 10-21-3; and

(B) defraying tuition related expenses for teachers, school staff, and school employees who wish to enroll in the course of firearms instruction described in IC 10-21-3; or

(2) provide funding in the event of a school shooting to cover the costs of counseling for students, teachers, school staff, and school employees.

(b) A school corporation, charter school, or accredited nonpublic school:

(1) is not subject to the restriction in section 4 of this chapter that a school corporation, charter school, or accredited nonpublic school may receive only one (1) matching grant

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each year; and

(2) may receive an additional matching grant under section 4 of this chapter for the purposes described in subsection (a)."

Page 8, delete lines 14 through 24, begin a new line block indented and insert:

"(1) "Accredited nonpublic school" means a nonpublic school that:

(A) has voluntarily become accredited under IC 20-31-4.1; or

(B) is accredited by a national or regional accrediting agency that is recognized by the state board of education.

(2) "Charter school" has the meaning set forth in IC 20-24-1-4.

(3) "Department" refers to the department of homeland security established by IC 10-19-2-1.

(4) "School corporation" has the meaning set forth in IC 20-26-2-4."

Page 8, line 25, after "charter school," insert "**accredited**".

Page 8, line 29, after "(B)" insert "**accredited**".

Page 8, line 39, after "administers" insert "**an accredited nonpublic school or**".

Page 8, line 42, delete "institute for a grant from the Indiana safe schools" and insert "**department for a grant from the Indiana secured school**".

Page 9, line 1, delete "IC 5-2-10.1-2" and insert "**IC 10-21-1-2**".

Page 9, line 2, after "charter school," insert "**accredited**".

Page 9, line 3, delete "institute" and insert "**department**".

Page 9, line 4, delete "institute." and insert "**department.**".

Page 9, line 5, delete "institute" and insert "**department**".

Page 9, line 8, after "charter school," insert "**accredited**".

Page 11, line 4, after "charter school," insert "**accredited**".

Page 11, line 5, delete "institute" and insert "**department**".

Page 11, line 13, delete "institute" and insert "**department**".

Page 11, line 14, after "charter school," insert "**accredited**".

Page 11, line 15, delete "institute" and insert "**department**".

Page 11, line 17, after "charter school," insert "**accredited**".

Page 11, line 42, after "charter school," insert "**accredited**".

Page 12, line 5, delete "institute" and insert "**department**".

Page 12, line 18, delete "institute;" and insert "**department;**".

Page 12, line 19, delete "institute" and insert "**department**".

Page 12, line 20, after "charter school," insert "**accredited**".

Page 12, line 25, after "charter school," insert "**accredited**".



Page 12, between lines 27 and 28, begin a new paragraph and insert:
 "SECTION 6. IC 20-19-3-30.4 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: **Sec. 30.4. (a) The department, in
 collaboration with the state police department, shall:**

(1) identify a set of best practices; and
(2) develop a set of educational materials;
regarding recommendations for the safe possession and storage of
a firearm in a home with a child.

(b) The best practices and educational materials described in
subsection (a) must include information on:

- (1) firearm access;**
- (2) firearm handling;**
- (3) firearm storage;**
- (4) ammunition access; and**
- (5) ammunition storage.**

(c) After December 31, 2023, the department shall provide the
best practices and educational materials described in subsection (a)
to public schools, charter schools, and state accredited nonpublic
schools for annual distribution to parents of students.

(d) The department shall maintain a public website that
contains the best practices and educational materials described in
subsection (a). The department shall publicize the website and
promote the best practices and educational materials to all
elementary and high schools operating in the state."

Page 12, line 28, delete "IC 20-26-5-43" and insert
 "IC 20-26-5-43.5".

Page 12, line 30, delete "43." and insert "**43.5**".

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass and be reassigned to the
 Senate Committee on Appropriations.

(Reference is to HB 1177 as printed February 9, 2023.)

RAATZ, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 10, Nays 3.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Appropriations, to which was referred Engrossed House Bill No. 1177, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill DO PASS.

(Reference is to EHB 1177 as printed April 7, 2023.)

MISHLER, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 10, Nays 2

