

HOUSE BILL No. 1227

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 20-19-3-29.

Synopsis: School distribution of firearm safety information. 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.

Effective: July 1, 2023.

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January 10, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.



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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.

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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 20-19-3-29 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2023]: **Sec. 29. (a) The department, in collaboration with the**
4 **state police department, shall:**
5 (1) **identify a set of best practices; and**
6 (2) **develop a set of educational materials;**
7 **regarding recommendations for the safe possession and storage of**
8 **a firearm in a home with a child.**
9 (b) **The best practices and educational materials described in**
10 **subsection (a) must include information on:**
11 (1) **firearm access;**
12 (2) **firearm handling;**
13 (3) **firearm storage;**
14 (4) **ammunition access; and**
15 (5) **ammunition storage.**
16 (c) **After December 31, 2023, the department shall provide the**
17 **best practices and educational materials described in subsection (a)**



1 to public schools, charter schools, and state accredited nonpublic
2 schools for annual distribution to parents of students.

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

