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HOUSE BILL No. 1396

Proposed Changes to February 23, 2023 printing by AM139606

DIGEST OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Stop the bleed program. Removes employment by a unit (as defined in IC 36-1-2-23) from the definition of "qualified first responder".

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning public safety.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 10-19-2.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
- 2 AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
- 3 JULY 1, 2023]:
- 4 **Chapter 2.2. Stop the Bleed Program and Fund**
- 5 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "bleeding control kit" has the**
- 6 **meaning set forth in IC 20-34-3-24.**
- 7 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "donation pool" refers to the**
- 8 **stop the bleed donation pool established by section 4 of this**
- 9 **chapter.**
- 10 **Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "qualified first responder"**
- 11 **refers to:**
 - 12 (1) a law enforcement officer (as defined in IC 5-2-1-2(1));
 - 13 (2) a firefighter, including a volunteer firefighter; or
 - 14 (3) an emergency medical technician, emergency medical
 - 15 responder, or paramedic <employed by a unit (as defined in
 - 16 IC 36-1-2-23)>.
- 17 **Sec. 4. (a) The stop the bleed donation pool is established for**
- 18 **the purpose of providing Indiana qualified first responders with**
- 19 **bleeding control kits under section 5 of this chapter. The donation**
- 20 **pool shall be administered by the department.**

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1 (b) The donation pool consists of donations, gifts, and money
 2 received from any source.
 3 Sec. 5. (a) An Indiana public safety agency that has one (1) or
 4 more qualified first responders may request from the department
 5 the provision of bleeding control kits or donations made to the
 6 donation pool for the purpose of purchasing bleeding control kits.
 7 The department shall prescribe the manner in which a public
 8 safety agency may request bleeding control kits or the receipt of
 9 donations made to the donation pool for the purpose of purchasing
 10 bleeding control kits under this section.
 11 (b) Upon receipt of a completed application under subsection
 12 (a), the department may issue the requested bleeding control kits
 13 or provide funds to purchase bleeding control kits to the public
 14 safety agency if the public safety agency:
 15 (1) demonstrates a need for the bleeding control kits; and
 16 (2) indicates that the public safety agency lacks funds
 17 necessary to purchase the bleeding control kits.

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