

# PROPOSED AMENDMENT

## HB 1528 # 6

### DIGEST

Alternative teacher certification programs. Provides that a one time nonrenewable next general Hoosier educators scholarship may be awarded to an applicant who is enrolled in an alternative teacher certification program and meets certain other requirements.

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- 1       Page 2, delete lines 18 through 39, begin a new paragraph and  
2       insert:  
3       "SECTION 2. IC 21-12-16-5.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
4       CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
5       [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: **Sec. 5.5. An applicant who is enrolled**  
6       **in a transition to teaching program or an alternative teacher**  
7       **certification program after June 30, 2023, may qualify for a**  
8       **scholarship under section 8.5 of this chapter. To qualify for a**  
9       **scholarship, an applicant must:**  
10       **(1) be employed by a school corporation in Indiana;**  
11       **(2) apply for a scholarship on a form supplied by the**  
12       **commission;**  
13       **(3) possess a baccalaureate degree from an accredited**  
14       **postsecondary four (4) year institution;**  
15       **(4) have enrolled in:**  
16       **(A) a transition to teaching program described in**  
17       **IC 20-28-4; or**  
18       **(B) an alternative teacher certification program described**  
19       **in IC 20-28-5-12.5;**  
20       **(5) agree in writing to:**  
21       **(A) complete:**  
22       **(i) a transition to teaching program described in**  
23       **IC 20-28-4; or**  
24       **(ii) an alternative teacher certification program**  
25       **described in IC 20-28-5-12.5;**  
26       **and obtain an initial practitioner license under IC 20-28;**  
27       **and**

(B) teach for at least five (5) consecutive years in a public school or an eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) in Indiana after obtaining the initial practitioner license under IC 20-28; and

(6) meet any other criteria established by the commission."

Page 3, line 3, delete "5.5(4)" and insert "5.5(5)".

Page 3, delete lines 25 through 38, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 5. IC 21-12-16-8.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: **Sec. 8.5. (a) Subject to subsection (b), if an applicant meets the requirements under section 5.5 of this chapter, the commission may award a one (1) time nonrenewable scholarship to the applicant in an amount of up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for:**

(1) transition to teaching program and initial practitioner licensure costs under IC 20-28-4; or

(2) alternative teacher certification program and initial practitioner licensure costs under IC 20-28-5-12.5.

(b) The total annual amount of scholarships awarded by the commission under this section may not exceed one million dollars (\$1,000,000). If the total amount of scholarships exceeds the limit under this subsection, the commission shall reduce the scholarships awarded under subsection (a) in a manner prescribed by the commission."

Page 4, delete lines 24 through 33, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"(b) An individual who:

(1) received a scholarship under section 5.5 of this chapter;

(2) is no longer enrolled in:

(A) a transition to teaching program under IC 20-28-4; or

(B) an alternative teacher certification program described in IC 20-28-5-12.5; and

(3) did not receive an initial practitioner license after completing:

(A) a transition to teaching program described in IC 20-28-4; or

(B) an alternative teacher certification program described in IC 20-28-5-12.5;

shall repay the amount of the scholarship awarded to the

1       **individual under this chapter in a timely fashion, as determined by**  
2       **the commission."**

3       Page 4, line 42, delete "**5.5(4)**" and insert "**5.5(5)**".

4       Page 5, line 10, delete "**5.5(4)**" and insert "**5.5(5)**".

5       Page 5, line 15, delete "**5.5(4)**" and insert "**5.5(5)**".

6       Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to HB 1528 as printed February 9, 2023.)