

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY  
OFFICE OF FISCAL AND MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS  
FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6756**  
**BILL NUMBER: HB 1003**

**NOTE PREPARED: Mar 2, 2026**  
**BILL AMENDED: Feb 27, 2026**

**SUBJECT:** Boards and Commissions.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Bartels  
**FIRST SPONSOR:** Sen. Maxwell

**BILL STATUS:** Enrolled

**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X GENERAL  
X DEDICATED  
FEDERAL

**IMPACT:** State & Local

**Summary of Legislation:** The bill contains the following provisions:

*Agricultural Promotion and Regulation Task Force* - This bill creates the Agricultural Promotion and Regulation Task Force to study various agriculture related topics.

*Administrative Rule Promulgation* - The bill makes changes to requirements for the readoption of administrative rules.

*Commissions, Committees, Boards, and Councils* - The bill repeals, merges, consolidates, or otherwise modifies various boards, commissions, and other governmental bodies. It modifies or establishes various funds. It also makes changes to the membership, duties, and operations of various boards, commissions, and other governmental bodies.

*Hospital Governance* - The bill expands the applicability of a statute concerning county hospital governance to Perry County, Spencer County, and Orange County.

*State Building Code* - The bill repeals the Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission (Commission) and transfers the Commission's responsibilities and administrative rules to the Department of Homeland Security (IDHS). The bill also makes certain changes to the administration of building and safety statutes and building and safety codes.

The bill also makes technical corrections and an appropriation.

**Effective Date:** Upon passage; July 1, 2026; January 1, 2027; July 1, 2027.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** *Indiana Civil Rights Commission*- Effective FY 2027, the bill replaces five cultural commissions comprised of 62 members with the 15-member Indiana Cultural Commission established in the bill. The bill also establishes the Indiana Cultural Commission Special Fund. Money in the special fund is continually appropriated.

*State Building Code-* The bill repeals the Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission, and the bill moves those duties to the Indiana Department of Homeland Security. Beginning in FY 2028, the Indiana Department of Homeland Security must make recommendations to Legislative Council. The bill also allows the Department of Homeland Security authorize more recent versions of model building code to be compliant. The bill could also require the Department of Homeland Security to create a self-certification form. These provisions can be implemented with current resources.

*Administrative Rule Promulgation-* The bill would require all state agencies to compare rules adopted in neighboring states or other states identified by the State Budget Agency as part of the rule promulgation process beginning in FY 2028. For new rules adopted by each state agency, a written report is required to be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget as well as Legislative Council.

*Commissions, Committees, Boards, and Councils-* The bill (1) repeals a number of, (2) changes membership of several, and (3) repeals and transfers the responsibilities of certain, state Commissions, Committees, Boards, and Councils. The bill also removes compensation for members of certain advisory councils. These changes are expected to have a minimal net decrease on state expenditures and workload. For a full listing of the entities that are repealed by this bill, please refer to the listing in the Appendix at the end of this fiscal note.

*State Agency Workload-* The bill also has several provisions affecting state workload, which are expected to be accomplished within existing resource and funding levels.

*Integrated Public Safety Communication-* The bill repeals the Integrated Public Safety Commission and transfers responsibilities of the Commission to the Indiana Department of Homeland Security. Included in this transfer is the Integrated Public Safety Communication Fund, which the bill renames to the Emergency Communication Fund. The Integrated Public Safety Communication Fund receives revenue from fees collected by the Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV). For FY 2025, the Fund received approximately \$16 M in revenue and had a free balance of \$0.3 M at fiscal year closeout.

*Agriculture Promotion and Regulation Task Force-* The bill establishes the 18-member Agriculture Promotion and Regulation Task Force through FY 2027 tasked with studying the topics enumerated in the bill. The Task Force is to be staffed by the Legislative Services Agency and provide Legislative Council with its findings by November 1, 2026. Task Force expenses will be provided from General Fund appropriations to the Legislative Services Agency.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** *Commissions, Committees, Boards, and Councils* - The bill also makes changes to local commissions, districts, authorities, and boards. The local boards that repealed by the bill are included in the Appendix.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** All

**Local Agencies Affected:** Waterway Management Districts.

**Information Sources:** Available upon request

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**Appendix**

**State Commissions, Committees, Boards, Task Forces, and Councils Set for Repeal**

|                                                       |                                                                  |                                                            |
|-------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| 211 Advisory Committee                                | Affirmative Action Advisory Committee                            | Commission on Forensic Sciences                            |
| Student Member Nominating Committee                   | Faculty Member Nominating Committee                              | Indiana Commission for Arts and Humanities in Education    |
| Indiana Commission for Women                          | Advisory Committee for Children with Special Needs               | Children's Health Policy Board                             |
| Commission on Hispanic/Latino Affairs                 | Main Street Council                                              | Commission on the Social Status of Black Males             |
| Native American Affairs Commission                    | Law Enforcement Academy Building Commission                      | Board for Proprietary Education                            |
| Indiana War Memorials Commission                      | Interagency State Council on Black and Minority Health           | Utility Consumer Counselor Advisory Council                |
| Local Bridge Grant Board                              | Driver Education Advisory Board                                  | Motorcycle Operator Advisory Board                         |
| Criminal Justice Advisory Committee                   | Security and Privacy Council                                     | Memorial Art Commission                                    |
| Paths to Quality Steering Council                     | Electronic Recording Commission                                  | Electronic Benefits Transfer Commission                    |
| Spinal Cord and Brain Injury Research Board           | Mental Health and Addiction Services Development Programs Board  | Commission on Health Care Interpreters                     |
| Children Health Policy Board                          | Indiana Kids First Trust Board                                   | Integrated Public Safety Commission                        |
| Ohio River Greenway Development Commission            | Indiana Seed Arbitration Council                                 | Indiana Excellence in Teaching Council                     |
| Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission        | Insurance Producer Education and Continuing Education Commission | Occupational Safety Standards Commission                   |
| Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Indiana Holiday Commission | Nonemergency Medical Transportation Commission                   | Advisory Committee on Oral History of the General Assembly |