

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

HB 1119 # 3

DIGEST

Conscience clause. Exempts certain persons from being required to participate in an execution.

1 Page 1, between the enacting clause and line 1, begin a new
2 paragraph and insert:
3 "SECTION 1. IC 35-38-6-0.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
4 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
5 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: **Sec. 0.5. (a) As used in this section,**
6 "participate in or be in attendance at an execution" includes:
7 (1) personally preparing the convicted person;
8 (2) personally servicing, preparing, or maintaining equipment
9 used for the execution; or
10 (3) supervising the activities of other personnel involved in
11 carrying out an execution.
12 (b) The commissioner of the department of correction may not
13 require, as a condition of employment or as a contractual
14 obligation:
15 (1) an employee of; or
16 (2) a person providing contractual services to;
17 the department of correction to participate in or be in attendance
18 at an execution if this is contrary to the moral or religious beliefs
19 of the employee or person providing contractual services.".
20 Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.
 (Reference is to HB 1119 as introduced.)