

# HOUSE BILL No. 1176

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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 4-29.5-18-1, AS ADDED BY P.L.171-2021,  
2 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3 JULY 1, 2027]: Sec. 1. For so long as the Band makes payments in  
4 accordance with IC 4-29.5-17, the Band shall allocate a portion of the  
5 annual payment to provide funding for public **or private** postsecondary  
6 and vocational education for Band citizens (the "Pokagon Indiana  
7 Education Fund").

8 SECTION 2. IC 4-29.5-18-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.171-2021,  
9 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
10 JULY 1, 2027]: Sec. 2. The Pokagon Indiana Education Fund shall be  
11 used solely to make payments directly to Indiana public **or private**  
12 institutions of higher learning or workforce development and training  
13 programs approved by the Indiana Department of Workforce  
14 Development for eligible Band citizens for direct costs and expenses,  
15 such as tuition, on-campus room and board, and other direct education  
16 expenses. To be eligible, a Band citizen must (i) be enrolled in the  
17 Band prior to benefitting from any payment, and (ii) meet the education

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1 or workforce provider admission requirements. Priority shall be given  
2 to Band citizens who are legal residents of the State of Indiana as of the  
3 date of their application for benefits.

4 SECTION 3. IC 6-1.1-17-3.1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.136-2024,  
5 SECTION 20, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
6 JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 3.1. (a) This section:

7 (1) applies only to an operating referendum tax levy under  
8 IC 20-46-1 approved by the voters before January 1, 2023, that  
9 is imposed by a school corporation for taxes first due and  
10 payable in 2024 and 2025;

11 (2) does not apply to an operating referendum tax levy under  
12 IC 20-46-1:

13 (A) approved by the voters during a time that the school  
14 corporation imposing the levy was designated as a  
15 distressed political subdivision; or

16 (B) approved by the voters after December 31, 2022, and  
17 before January 1, 2025, that is imposed by a school  
18 corporation for taxes first due and payable in 2024 or 2025;  
19 and

20 (3) does not apply to any other tax year.

21 (b) As used in this section, "ADM" refers to the school  
22 corporation's average daily membership used to determine the state  
23 tuition support distribution under IC 20-43. In the case of a school  
24 corporation that has entered into an agreement with one (1) or more  
25 charter schools to participate as an innovation network charter school  
26 under IC 20-25.7-5, the term includes the average daily membership of  
27 **students described in IC 20-25.7-5-2(b)(2)** of any innovation network  
28 charter school that is treated as a school operated by the school  
29 corporation **with regard to students described in**  
30 **IC 20-25.7-5-2(b)(2)** when calculating the total amount of state tuition  
31 support to be distributed to the school corporation.

32 (c) Notwithstanding any increase in the assessed value of property  
33 from the previous assessment date, for taxes first due and payable in  
34 2024, the total amount of operating referendum tax that may be levied  
35 by a school corporation may not exceed the lesser of:

36 (1) the maximum operating referendum tax that could have been  
37 levied by the school corporation if the maximum referendum rate  
38 was imposed for taxes first due and payable in 2023 multiplied  
39 by one and three-hundredths (1.03); or

40 (2) the maximum operating referendum tax that could otherwise  
41 be levied by the school corporation for taxes first due and  
42 payable in 2024.

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1       The tax rate for an operating referendum tax levy shall be decreased,  
 2       if necessary, to comply with this limitation.

3           (d) Notwithstanding any increase in the assessed value of property  
 4       from the previous assessment date, for taxes first due and payable in  
 5       2025, the total amount of operating referendum tax that may be levied  
 6       by a school corporation may not exceed the lesser of the following:

7           (1) The maximum operating referendum tax that could have  
 8       been levied by the school corporation if the maximum  
 9       referendum rate was imposed for taxes first due and payable in  
 10      the immediately preceding calendar year, as adjusted by this  
 11      section, multiplied by the result determined under STEP SEVEN  
 12      of the following formula:

13           STEP ONE: Subtract:

14           (i) the school corporation's spring count of ADM made  
 15       in the calendar year preceding by five (5) years the  
 16       calendar year in which the property taxes are first due  
 17       and payable; from

18           (ii) the school corporation's spring count of ADM  
 19       made in the immediately preceding calendar year.

20           STEP TWO: Divide the STEP ONE result by four (4).

21           STEP THREE: Divide the STEP TWO result by the school  
 22       corporation's spring count of ADM made in the calendar  
 23       year preceding by five (5) years the calendar year in which  
 24       the property taxes are first due and payable.

25           STEP FOUR: Multiply the STEP THREE amount by one  
 26       and five-tenths (1.5).

27           STEP FIVE: Add the STEP FOUR result and one and  
 28       six-hundredths (1.06).

29           STEP SIX: Determine the greater of the STEP FIVE result  
 30       or one and six-hundredths (1.06).

31           STEP SEVEN: Determine the lesser of the STEP SIX result  
 32       or one and twelve-hundredths (1.12).

33           (2) The maximum operating referendum tax that could otherwise  
 34       be levied by the school corporation for taxes first due and  
 35       payable in the current calendar year.

36       The tax rate for an operating referendum tax levy shall be decreased,  
 37       if necessary, to comply with this limitation.

38           (e) The department of education shall provide to the department  
 39       of local government finance each school corporation's applicable ADM  
 40       counts as needed to make the determinations under this section.

41           SECTION 4. IC 20-24-11-5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
 42       CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS

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1 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 5. (a) An existing public  
2 elementary or secondary school may be converted into a charter  
3 school if the governing body of the school corporation:  
4 (1) votes to convert the school within the school corporation;  
5 and  
6 (2) submits to an authorizer a proposal described in  
7 IC 20-24-3-4 to convert the school within the school  
8 corporation to a charter school.  
9 (b) The governing body of the school corporation described in  
10 subsection (a) may not serve as the authorizer of the charter school  
11 converted in accordance with this section.  
12 (c) The organizer of a conversion charter school described in  
13 this section may be:  
14 (1) the school corporation; or  
15 (2) a nonprofit corporation that:  
16 (A) is established by the school corporation;  
17 (B) is incorporated or registered in Indiana;  
18 (C) has been recognized by the Internal Revenue Service  
19 to be tax exempt and maintains such tax exempt status;  
20 and  
21 (D) has an independent board whose members have  
22 been elected or selected under the organizer's  
23 application and that has entered into a contract under  
24 this article to operate a charter school.  
25 (d) The governing body of a school corporation may convert  
26 more than one (1) existing public elementary or secondary school  
27 within the school corporation under this section. The school  
28 corporation or an organizer that is a nonprofit corporation  
29 established by the school corporation under subsection (c)(2) may:  
30 (1) submit a separate proposal for each school to an  
31 authorizer; or  
32 (2) with the approval of the authorizer, operate two (2) or  
33 more schools under a single charter, provided that each  
34 school site:  
35 (A) is identified in the charter application and charter;  
36 and  
37 (B) is subject to the performance conditions,  
38 accountability measures, and renewal determinations  
39 established in the charter.  
40 (e) A conversion charter school described in this section shall  
41 comply with the following:  
42 (1) All legal requirements described in section 1(d) of this

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## chapter.

**(2) Except as provided in this section, all requirements for charter schools under this article.**

SECTION 5. IC 20-25.7-5-1.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: **Sec. 1.5. A board may not at the same time both:**

**(1) be an authorizer of a charter school; and**

**(2) enter into or have an agreement under this chapter with the charter school.**

SECTION 6. IC 20-25.7-5-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.213-2025, SECTION 169, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 2. (a) The A board may enter into an agreement with an organizer to:

**(1)** reconstitute an eligible school as a participating innovation network charter school; or to

**(2) establish a participating innovation network charter school at a location:**

(A) selected by the board; within the boundary of the school corporation; or

(B) within the geographic boundaries of any school corporation with which the organizer enters into an agreement under this chapter.

Notwithstanding IC 20-26-7.1, a participating innovation network charter school may be established within a vacant school building.

(b) The terms of the agreement entered into between the a board of a school corporation and an organizer must specify the following:

(1) A statement that the organizer authorizes the department to include the charter school's performance assessment results under **IC 20-31-8 for students who reside within the geographic boundaries of the school corporation** when calculating the school corporation's performance assessment under rules adopted by the state board.

(2) Subject to an administrative fee as described in subsection (g), a statement that the school corporation will distribute at least one hundred percent (100%) of state tuition support dollars that the school corporation receives **from student enrollment for students who:**

(A) reside within the geographic boundaries of the

**school corporation; and**  
**(B) are enrolled** in the participating innovation network charter school;

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1                   in accordance with the school funding formula to the  
2                   participating innovation network charter school (if the  
3                   participating innovation network charter school is, **with regard**  
4                   **to students described in this subsection**, treated in the same  
5                   manner as a school operated by the school corporation under  
6                   subsection (d)(2)).

7 (3) The performance goals and accountability metrics agreed  
8 upon for the charter school in the charter agreement between the  
9 organizer and the authorizer and a statement that the school  
10 corporation is prohibited from setting additional performance  
11 goals or accountability metrics.

12 (4) For an agreement entered into or renewed after June 30,  
13 2023, the process the board is required to follow in determining  
14 whether to renew the agreement.

15 (5) The amount of money levied as property taxes that will be  
16 distributed by the school corporation to the organizer.

21 (7) A statement that the innovation agreement shall not create an  
22 obligation that would cause the organizer to be in violation of its  
23 charter agreement (as described in IC 20-24-1-3).

24 (c) If an organizer and the a board enter into an agreement under  
25 subsection (a), the organizer and the board shall notify the department  
26 that the agreement has been made under this section within thirty (30)  
27 days after the agreement is entered into.

28 (d) Upon receipt of the notification under subsection (c), for  
29 school years starting after the date of the agreement:

30 (1) the department shall include the participating innovation  
31 network charter school's performance assessment results under  
32 **IC 20-31-8 for students who reside within the geographic**  
33 **boundaries of the school corporation** when calculating the  
34 school corporation's performance assessment under rules  
35 adopted by the state board:

36 (2) the department shall:

(A) treat the participating innovation network charter school in the same manner as a school operated by the school corporation **with regard to students residing within the geographic boundaries of the school corporation** when calculating the total amount of state funding to be distributed to the school corporation unless subsection (e)

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applies; and

**(B) in determining the school corporation's enrollment, include only eligible pupils enrolled in the participating innovation network charter school who reside within the geographic boundaries of the school corporation.**

(3) if requested by a participating innovation network charter school that reconstitutes an eligible school, the department may use student growth as the state board's exclusive means to determine the innovation network charter school's category or designation of school improvement under 511 IAC 6.2-10-10 for a period of three (3) years. Beginning with the 2019-2020 school year, the department may not use student growth as the state board's exclusive means to determine an innovation network charter school's category or designation of school improvement. This subdivision expires July 1, 2022.

This subdivision expires July 1, 2023.

(e) If a participating innovation network school was established before January 1, 2016, and for the current school year has a complexity index that is greater than the complexity index for the school corporation that the innovation network school has contracted with, the innovation network school shall be treated as a charter school for purposes of determining tuition support. This subsection expires June 30, 2027.

(f) If the board or organizer fails to follow the process described in subsection (b)(4), the board or organizer may appeal to the state board. The state board shall hear the appeal in a public meeting and ensure that the board or organizer follows the renewal process specified in the agreement. The board may not terminate an agreement until the board has provided evidence to the state board that the board has complied with the renewal process specified in the agreement. The state board shall issue a decision on an appeal under this subsection not later than sixty (60) days after the date the board or organizer submitted the appeal to the state board.

(g) If an administrative fee is included in an agreement entered into or renewed **under this chapter** after June 30, 2023, 2026, under this section, the fee may not exceed one percent (1%) of the total amount of state tuition support that is distributed to the school corporation based on the participating innovation network charter school's student enrollment. Each school corporation with which an organizer of a participating innovation network charter school has entered into an agreement may assess an administrative fee of not more than one percent (1%) of the tuition support dollars that the school corporation receives for students who:

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1                   **(1) reside within the geographic boundaries of the school**  
 2                   **corporation; and**  
 3                   **(2) are enrolled in the participating innovation network**  
 4                   **charter school.**

5                   (h) An agreement entered into between the board and an organizer  
 6                   under this section may not be altered without written approval from the  
 7                   organizer.

8                   SECTION 7. IC 20-25.7-5-2.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
 9                   CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
 10                  [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 2.5. **In addition to any state**  
 11                  **tuition support dollars a participating innovation network charter**  
 12                  **school receives from a school corporation under this chapter, the**  
 13                  **department shall treat the participating innovation network**  
 14                  **charter school as a charter school when calculating the tuition**  
 15                  **support to be distributed to the innovation network charter school**  
 16                  **for students of the innovation network charter school who do not**  
 17                  **reside within the geographic boundaries of a school corporation**  
 18                  **with which the innovation network charter school has an**  
 19                  **agreement under this chapter.**

20                  SECTION 8. IC 20-25.7-5-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.220-2021,  
 21                  SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 22                  JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 5. (a) IC 20-24-5-5 (with the exception of  
 23                  IC 20-24-5-5(g)) does not apply to a participating innovation network  
 24                  charter school that enters into an agreement with the board to  
 25                  reconstitute or establish an eligible school.

26                  (b) Except as provided in subsections (c) and (d), a participating  
 27                  innovation network charter school must enroll any eligible student who  
 28                  submits a timely application for enrollment.

29                  (c) A participating innovation network charter school that  
 30                  reconstitutes or establishes an eligible school may limit new  
 31                  admissions to the participating innovation network charter school to:

32                   (1) ensure that any student with legal settlement in the  
 33                   attendance area, or in the school corporation any school  
 34                   corporation with which the participating innovation network  
 35                   charter school has entered into an agreement under this  
 36                   chapter if the school does not have a defined attendance area,  
 37                   may attend the charter school;  
 38                   (2) ensure that a student who attends the participating innovation  
 39                   network charter school during a school year may continue to  
 40                   attend the charter school in subsequent years;  
 41                   (3) allow the siblings of a student alumnus or a current student  
 42                   who attends the participating innovation network charter school



1 to attend the charter school;

2 (4) allow preschool students who attend a Level 3 or Level 4

3 Paths to QUALITY program preschool to attend kindergarten at

4 the participating innovation network charter school if the

5 participating innovation network charter school and the school

6 corporation or preschool provider have entered into an

7 agreement to share services or facilities;

8 (5) allow each student who qualifies for free or reduced price

9 lunch under the national school lunch program to receive

10 preference for admission to the participating innovation network

11 charter school if the preference is specifically provided for in the

12 charter and is approved by the authorizer; and

13 (6) allow each student who attended a turnaround academy or

14 attends a school that is located in the same school building as the

15 participating innovation network charter school to receive

16 preference for admission to the participating innovation network

17 charter school if the preference is specifically provided for in the

18 participating innovation network charter school's charter and is

19 approved by the authorizer of the participating innovation

20 network charter school.

21 (d) A participating innovation network charter school with a

22 curriculum that includes study in a foreign country may deny admission

23 to a student if:

24 (1) the student:

25 (A) has completed fewer than twenty-two (22) academic

26 credits required for graduation; and

27 (B) will be in the grade 11 cohort during the school year in

28 which the student seeks to enroll in the participating

29 innovation network charter school; or

30 (2) the student has been suspended (as defined in IC 20-33-8-7)

31 or expelled (as defined in IC 20-33-8-3) during the twelve (12)

32 months immediately preceding the student's application for

33 enrollment for:

34 (A) ten (10) or more school days;

35 (B) a violation under IC 20-33-8-16;

36 (C) causing physical injury to a student, a school employee,

37 or a visitor to the school; or

38 (D) a violation of a school corporation's drug or alcohol

39 rules.

40 For purposes of subdivision (2)(A), student discipline received under

41 IC 20-33-8-25(b)(7) for a violation described in subdivision (2)(B)

42 through (2)(D) must be included in the calculation of the number of

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1 school days that a student has been suspended.

2 (e) A participating innovation network charter school may give  
 3 enrollment preferences to children of the participating innovation  
 4 network charter school's founders, governing board members, and  
 5 participating innovation network charter school employees, as long as  
 6 the enrollment preference under this subsection is not given to more  
 7 than ten percent (10%) of the participating innovation charter school's  
 8 total population and there is sufficient capacity for a program, class,  
 9 grade level, or building to ensure that any student with legal settlement  
 10 in the attendance area may attend the school.

11 (f) This subsection applies to an existing charter school that enters  
 12 into an innovation network agreement with the a board. During the  
 13 charter school's first year of operation as a participating innovation  
 14 network charter school, the charter school may limit admission to:

15 (1) those students who were enrolled in the charter school on the  
 16 date it entered into the innovation network agreement; and  
 17 (2) siblings of students described in subdivision (1).

18 (g) This subsection applies if the number of applications for a  
 19 program, class, grade level, or building exceeds the capacity of the  
 20 program, class, grade level, or building. If a participating innovation  
 21 network charter school receives a greater number of applications than  
 22 there are spaces for students, each timely applicant must be given an  
 23 equal chance of admission. The participating innovation network  
 24 charter school that is not in a county containing a consolidated city  
 25 must determine which of the applicants will be admitted to the  
 26 participating innovation network charter school or the program, class,  
 27 grade level, or building by random drawing in a public meeting with  
 28 each timely applicant limited to one (1) entry in the drawing. However,  
 29 the participating innovation network charter school located in a county  
 30 with a consolidated city shall determine which of the applicants will be  
 31 admitted to the participating innovation network charter school or the  
 32 program, class, grade level, or building by using a publicly verifiable  
 33 random selection process.

34 SECTION 9. IC 20-25.7-5-6, AS ADDED BY P.L.162-2024,  
 35 SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 36 JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 6. (a) Subject to an administrative fee as described  
 37 in section 2(g) of this chapter, a school corporation that enters into an  
 38 agreement with an organizer under this chapter shall distribute at least  
 39 one hundred percent (100%) of state tuition support dollars that the  
 40 school corporation receives from student enrollment students who:

41 (1) **reside in the geographic boundaries of the school**  
 42 **corporation; and**

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1                   **(2) are enrolled** in the participating innovation network charter  
2                    school;  
3                    in accordance with the school funding formula to the participating  
4                    innovation network charter school.

5 (b) Unless an agreement entered into before July 1, 2024, between  
6 a board and an organizer provides otherwise, all participating  
7 innovation network charter schools operating under existing  
8 agreements with boards as of July 1, 2024, will receive funds as  
9 required under subsection (a).

10 SECTION 10. IC 20-32-6.5-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.180-2025,  
11 SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
12 JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 3. (a) Beginning with the 2026-2027 school year,  
13 if a school determines that a student in kindergarten through grade 8 is  
14 at risk of not achieving grade level proficiency in mathematics as  
15 determined by an analysis of the student's data from:

22 (1) The intervention includes a multitiered system of support that  
23 progresses from less to more intensive support based on the  
24 student's individual needs.

25 (2) The intervention is aligned to daily Tier I instruction and  
26 standard level learning progressions.

27 (3) The intervention is:

(A) targeted;  
(B) differentiated; and

30 (C) supplemental to Tier I instruction.

#### 31 (4) The intervention:

(A) is aligned with evidence based instructional strategies to promote conceptual understanding, procedural fluency, and real world problem solving; and

35 (B) allows a student opportunities to interact, show  
36 progress, and demonstrate understanding through rigorous  
37 grade level content.

38 (5) The intervention includes continual assessment and in depth  
39 analysis of each student's data to inform the flexible movement  
40 in and out of Tiers II and III.

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1       **school shall provide notice to a parent of the student regarding the**  
 2       **determination. The notification may contain the following:**

- 3       **(1) Specific information about how the student is performing.**
- 4       **(2) Information about the intervention the student will**  
 5       **receive from the school.**
- 6       **(3) A list or description of any recommended resources**  
 7       **available for use at home to support the student's academic**  
 8       **growth in mathematics.**

9       **(e) (d) The department shall provide guidance on the multitiered**  
 10      **system that a school is required to provide under subsection (b).**

11      SECTION 11. IC 20-43-13-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.213-2025,  
 12      SECTION 197, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
 13      [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 4. (a) Except as provided in  
 14      subsections (c) and (d), the complexity index is the percentage of the  
 15      school corporation's students who were receiving Supplemental  
 16      Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits, Temporary Assistance  
 17      for Needy Families (TANF) benefits, or foster care services as of  
 18      October 1 in the school year ending in the later of:

- 19       **(1) 2025; or**
- 20       **(2) the first year of operation of the school corporation.**

21       (b) For a conversion charter school, the percentage determined  
 22      under this section is the percentage of the sponsor school corporation.

23       (c) Except as provided in subsection (d), the complexity index for  
 24      a school corporation that has entered into an agreement with one (1) or  
 25      more charter schools to participate as an innovation network charter  
 26      school under IC 20-25.7-5 for a state fiscal year is equal to the result  
 27      using the following formula:

28       STEP ONE: Determine:

- 29       **(A) the school corporation's enrollment; minus**
- 30       **(B) the enrollment of students described in**  
 31       **IC 20-25.7-5-2(b)(2) of each participating innovation**  
 32       **network charter school.**

33       STEP TWO: Determine the number of students in the school  
 34      corporation who were receiving Supplemental Nutrition  
 35      Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits, Temporary Assistance for  
 36      Needy Families (TANF) benefits, or foster care services as of  
 37      October 1 in the school year ending in 2025, not including  
 38      students enrolled in each participating innovation network  
 39      charter school.

40       STEP THREE: Divide the result of STEP TWO by the result of  
 41      STEP ONE.

42       STEP FOUR: Determine the enrollment of students described



1                   **in IC 20-25.7-5-2(b)(2) of each participating innovation network**  
 2                   **charter school.**

3                   STEP FIVE: Determine the number of students **described in**  
 4                   **IC 20-25.7-5-2(b)(2) in each participating innovation network**  
 5                   **charter school who were receiving Supplemental Nutrition**  
 6                   **Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits, Temporary Assistance for**  
 7                   **Needy Families (TANF) benefits, or foster care services as of**  
 8                   **October 1 in the school year ending in the later of:**

9                   (A) 2025; or  
 10                  (B) the first year of operation of the participating innovation  
 11                  network charter school.

12                  STEP SIX: Divide the result of STEP FIVE by the result of  
 13                  STEP FOUR.

14                  STEP SEVEN: For each participating innovation network charter  
 15                  school, determine the greater of:

16                  (A) the result of STEP THREE; or  
 17                  (B) the result of STEP SIX.

18                  STEP EIGHT: For each participating innovation network charter  
 19                  school, multiply the result of STEP SEVEN by the result of  
 20                  STEP FOUR.

21                  STEP NINE: Determine the sum of:

22                  (A) the result of STEP TWO; plus  
 23                  (B) the results of STEP EIGHT, for each participating  
 24                  innovation network charter school.

25                  STEP TEN: Determine the sum of:

26                  (A) the result of STEP ONE; plus  
 27                  (B) the results of STEP FOUR for each participating  
 28                  innovation network charter school.

29                  STEP ELEVEN: Divide the STEP NINE result by the STEP  
 30                  TEN result.

31                  (d) If the complexity index of a participating innovation network  
 32                  charter school that was established before January 1, 2016, is, for the  
 33                  current school year, greater than the complexity index for the school  
 34                  corporation with which the innovation network charter school has  
 35                  contracted, the complexity index of the participating innovation  
 36                  network charter school is determined as described in IC 20-25.7-5-2(e).

37                  SECTION 12. IC 20-51-1-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.162-2024,  
 38                  SECTION 27, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 39                  JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 5. "Eligible student" refers to an individual who:  
 40                  (1) has legal settlement in Indiana;  
 41                  (2) is at least four (4) years of age and less than twenty-two (22)  
 42                  years of age on October 1 of the applicable school year; **and**



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