

SENATE BILL No. 126

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 16-42-19-18; IC 35-52-16-88.7.

Synopsis: Possession of a syringe. Repeals the crime of possession of a syringe in the health code (possession of a syringe remains a crime as possession of paraphernalia in the criminal code).

Effective: July 1, 2026.

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December 11, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Corrections and Criminal Law.



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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2025 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to repeal a provision of the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 16-42-19-18 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY
2 1, 2026]. Sec. 18: (a) A person may not possess with intent to:
3 (1) violate this chapter; or
4 (2) commit an offense described in IC 35-48-4;
5 a hypodermic syringe or needle or an instrument adapted for the use of
6 a controlled substance or legend drug by injection in a human being;
7 (b) A person who violates subsection (a) commits a Level 6 felony.
8 SECTION 2. IC 35-52-16-88.7 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY
9 1, 2026]. Sec. 88.7: IC 16-42-19-18 defines a crime concerning
10 injection devices.

