

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

SB 254 # 2

DIGEST

Education to employment research program. Requires the Indiana economic development corporation, not later than December 1, 2026, to: (1) develop an education to employment research program; and (2) create a framework for education to employment data analysis and data sharing.

- 1 Page 1, between the enacting clause and line 1, begin a new
2 paragraph and insert:
3 "SECTION 1. IC 5-28-6-13 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
4 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
5 1, 2026]: **Sec. 13. (a) Not later than December 1, 2026, the**
6 **corporation shall develop an education to employment research**
7 **program. The program must create a framework for education to**
8 **employment data analysis and data sharing to:**
9 **(1) inform state policymaking and economic development**
10 **strategy;**
11 **(2) promote labor market alignment;**
12 **(3) facilitate statewide and regional talent planning;**
13 **(4) strengthen workforce training programs; and**
14 **(5) support return on investment analysis.**
15 **(b) The corporation shall develop the program described in**
16 **subsection (a) in collaboration with the following five (5)**
17 **individuals:**
18 **(1) The secretary of education (appointed under**
19 **IC 20-19-1-1.1), or the secretary's designee.**
20 **(2) The chief executive officer of the Indiana Chamber of**
21 **Commerce, or the chief executive officer's designee,**
22 **representing the state's business community.**
23 **(3) The chief executive officer of the Central Indiana**
24 **Corporate Partnership, or the chief executive officer's**
25 **designee, representing the state's priority industry sectors for**
26 **economic growth.**
27 **(4) One (1) member of the Indiana General Assembly**

1 **designated by the speaker of the house of representatives.**
2 **(5) One (1) member of the Indiana General Assembly**
3 **designated by the president pro tempore of the senate.**
4 **(c) Any research reports, online data dashboards, or related**
5 **deliverables created by the education to employment research**
6 **program described in subsection (a) must be published on the**
7 **corporation's website.**
8 **(d) The provisions in this section are subject to:**
9 **(1) available state funding and existing state resources; and**
10 **(2) philanthropic support."**
11 Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.
 (Reference is to SB 254 as printed January 23, 2026.)