

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY  
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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7007**  
**BILL NUMBER: SB 254**

**NOTE PREPARED:** Feb 18, 2026  
**BILL AMENDED:** Feb 18, 2026

**SUBJECT:** Ivy Tech Community College.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Sen. Goode  
**FIRST SPONSOR:** Rep. Lopez

**BILL STATUS:** CR Adopted - 2<sup>nd</sup> House

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

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** (Amended) *Ivy Tech*: This bill consolidates duties and responsibilities for Ivy Tech Community College (Ivy Tech). The bill includes logistics, information technology, and life sciences as areas of expertise for members of Ivy Tech’s board of trustees. The bill provides that members of a campus board may represent an employer that operates within the campus service area. The bill provides that the campus board, in collaboration with the campus chancellor, shall nominate and submit candidate names in the event of a campus board vacancy. The bill requires the campus board to: (1) develop and recommend certain plans to the board; and (2) make certain budget recommendations to the campus chancellor. The bill realigns and consolidates the primary purposes of the college. It consolidates duties and responsibilities for Ivy Tech’s board of trustees. It also repeals certain provisions regarding the purpose and requirements of Ivy Tech.

*Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC)*: The bill also requires the IEDC, 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.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2026.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** *Ivy Tech*: This bill makes minor changes to the requirements, duties and responsibilities of campus boards, campus chancellors, and Ivy Tech’s board of trustees. It also consolidates and makes minor changes to the goals and purposes of Ivy Tech and removes a requirement to submit an annual report to the Budget Committee. These changes may have a minor impact on workload at Ivy Tech Community College, though the direction of the impact is currently indeterminable and depends on administrative actions. *[SEIs receive state funding through General Fund appropriations.]*

(Revised) *Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC)*: Subject to available funding, this bill may increase workload and expenditures for the IEDC to develop and implement an education to employment research program as prescribed. The IEDC would collaborate with the Department of Education (DOE), the Indiana Chamber of Commerce, the Central Indiana Corporate Partnership, and two members of the General Assembly. The bill could minimally increase workload for DOE. Ultimately, the scope of the program and

the source of funding and resources needed to meet the bill's requirements will depend on legislative and administrative actions. *[The IEDC is a quasi-state agency that receives both General Fund appropriations and non-state funding.]*

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

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**State Agencies Affected:** Ivy Tech Community College; Indiana Economic Development Corporation; Department of Education.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:**

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