HOUSE BILL No. 1009

DIGEST OF HB 1009 (Updated January 9, 2019 12:51 pm - DI 133)

Citations Affected: IC 21-18; noncode.

Synopsis: Teacher residency grant pilot program. Establishes the: (1) teacher residency grant pilot program (pilot program); and (2) teacher residency grant pilot program fund. Requires the commission for higher education (commission) to administer the pilot program. Provides that the commission may award grants to school corporations and charter schools that: (1) apply to participate in the pilot program; (2) partner with one approved postsecondary educational institution to establish and implement a teacher residency program (program); (3) submit a teacher residency plan that establishes a program that meets certain requirements; and (4) provide other information required by the commission. Provides that a school corporation or charter school that is awarded a grant under the pilot program: (1) shall provide stipends to program participants and teachers who act as mentors to program participants; and (2) may use money from the grant award to pay the approved postsecondary educational institution with which the school corporation or charter school has partnered for administrative costs incurred by the approved postsecondary educational institution in developing and implementing the program. Requires the commission to submit a report regarding the pilot program and the retention and performance of program participants. Makes an appropriation of $1,000,000.

Effective: July 1, 2019.

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January 7, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.
January 10, 2019, reported — Do Pass. Referred to Committee on Ways and Means pursuant to Rule 127.
January 11, 2019

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning higher education and to make an appropriation.

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

SECTION 1. IC 21-18-15.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019]:

Chapter 15.1. Teacher Residency Grant Pilot Program

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "fund" refers to the teacher residency grant pilot program fund established by section 5 of this chapter.

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "pilot program" refers to the teacher residency grant pilot program established by section 4 of this chapter.

Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "program participant" means an individual who is selected to receive training under a teacher residency program described in section 6 of this chapter.

Sec. 4. (a) The teacher residency grant pilot program is established.

(b) The commission shall administer the pilot program.

Sec. 5. (a) The teacher residency grant pilot program fund is
established for the purpose of providing funds to school corporations and charter schools for the development and implementation of teacher residency programs as described in section 6 of this chapter.

(b) The fund consists of the following:
   (1) Appropriations made by the general assembly.
   (2) Gifts, grants, devises, or bequests made to the commission to achieve the purposes of the fund.

(c) The commission shall administer the fund.

(d) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from money in the fund.

(e) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same manner as other public funds may be invested. Interest that accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the fund.

(f) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund but remains available to be used for the purposes of this chapter.

Sec. 6. The commission may award grants under the pilot program to an applicant who meets the following requirements:

(1) The applicant is a school corporation or charter school that has partnered with one (1) approved postsecondary educational institution to establish and implement a teacher residency program.

(2) The applicant submits a teacher residency plan that:
   (A) establishes a teacher residency program in which:
      (i) program participants receive teacher training under the teacher residency program for a one (1) year period;
      and
      (ii) program participants and teachers who act as mentors to program participants under the teacher residency program receive stipends;
   (B) includes the name and contact information of the approved postsecondary educational institution with which the school corporation or charter school has partnered;
   and
   (C) includes any other information regarding the teacher residency program that is required by the commission.

(3) Any other requirements established by the commission.

Sec. 7. A school corporation or charter school that is awarded a grant under section 6 of this chapter:

(1) shall provide stipends to:

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(A) program participants; and
(B) teachers who act as mentors to program participants
under the teacher residency program; and
(2) may use money from the grant award to pay the approved
postsecondary educational institution with which the school
corporation or charter school has partnered for
administrative costs incurred by the approved postsecondary
educational institution in developing and implementing the
teacher residency program.
Sec. 8. The commission shall, upon request, provide technical
assistance to school corporations, charter schools, and approved
postsecondary educational institutions participating in the pilot
program in the development of competency based curriculum and
support systems for program participants.
Sec. 9. (a) The commission shall annually prepare a report that
includes the following:
(1) Information regarding school corporations and charter
schools that participate in the pilot program.
(2) The annual retention rate of teachers employed by a
school corporation or charter school who completed the
school corporation's or charter school's teacher residency
program within the immediately preceding five (5) years.
(3) The number of program participants who were not
employed by a school corporation or charter school after
completing the school corporation's or charter school's
teacher residency program.
(4) The number of teachers who completed a teacher
residency program in the immediately preceding five (5) years
and received, based on a staff performance evaluation for the
year, a rating of:
   (A) highly effective;
   (B) effective;
   (C) improvement necessary; or
   (D) ineffective.
The commission shall provide the total number of teachers
described in this subdivision who received each rating listed
in clauses (A) through (D).
(b) Not later than July 1 of each year, the commission shall
submit the report described in subsection (a) to the following:
(1) The governor.
(2) The general assembly in an electronic format under
IC 5-14-6.

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Sec. 10. The commission may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 necessary to implement this chapter.

SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019] (a) As used in this SECTION, "commission" refers to the commission for higher education established by IC 21-18-2-1.

(b) There is appropriated to the teacher residency grant pilot program fund established by IC 21-18-15.1-5, as added by this act, one million dollars ($1,000,000) for the state fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, and ending June 30, 2020, from the state general fund for the commission's use in carrying out the purposes of the teacher residency grant pilot program under IC 21-18-15.1, as added by this act.

(c) This SECTION expires July 1, 2021.
COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Education, to which was referred House Bill 1009, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1009 as introduced.)

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Committee Vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0

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