

HOUSE BILL No. 1367

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 36-8-28.

Synopsis: Project Lifesaver program requirement for counties. Requires each county to establish and maintain a Project Lifesaver program. Tasks the division of disability and rehabilitative services with ensuring compliance, and requires the division to report to the general assembly.

Effective: July 1, 2024.

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January 10, 2024, read first time and referred to Committee on Local Government.



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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~~.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 36-8-28 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
2 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2024]:
4 **Chapter 28. Project Lifesaver Program**
5 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "Project Lifesaver" means the**
6 **community based, public safety, nonprofit organization that**
7 **provides:**
8 **(1) law enforcement agencies;**
9 **(2) fire and rescue agencies; and**
10 **(3) caregivers;**
11 **with a program designed to protect and locate an individual with**
12 **a cognitive disorder who is prone to wandering behavior.**
13 **Sec. 2. Not later than January 1, 2025, a county shall establish**
14 **and maintain its own Project Lifesaver program.**
15 **Sec. 3. The county fiscal body of a county shall appropriate and**
16 **approve the money necessary for the county to comply with this**
17 **chapter.**



1 **Sec. 4. (a) The division of disability and rehabilitative services**
2 **shall ensure that a county complies with this chapter.**

3 **(b) The division of disability and rehabilitative services shall**
4 **report, in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6, county compliance**
5 **to the general assembly not later than March 1, 2025.**

6 **(c) The division of disability and rehabilitative services may**
7 **adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to carry out this chapter.**

