

SENATE BILL No. 439

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 20-32-4-14.

Synopsis: Alternate diplomas. Removes a provision that provides that not more than 1% of students of a cohort may receive the alternate diploma.

Effective: July 1, 2023.

Breaux

January 19, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.



First Regular Session of the 123rd General Assembly (2023)

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 2022 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 20-32-4-14, AS AMENDED BY P.L.113-2021,
2 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 14. (a) The state board shall create an alternate
4 diploma for students with significant cognitive disabilities. The
5 diploma must be:
6 (1) standards-based; and
7 (2) aligned with Indiana's requirements for an Indiana diploma.
8 ~~(b) Not more than one percent (1%) of students of a cohort may~~
9 ~~receive the alternate diploma established by the state board under~~
10 ~~subsection (a):~~
11 ~~(c)~~ **(b)** The alternate diploma must comply with the federal Every
12 Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) (20 U.S.C. 6311).
13 ~~(d)~~ **(c)** ~~Not later than December 1, 2021,~~ The state board shall adopt
14 rules under IC 4-22-2 that are necessary to carry out this section.

