

# SENATE BILL No. 147

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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 10-21-1.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
2 AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3 JULY 1, 2016]:

4           **Chapter 1.5. School Emergency Response Systems**

5           **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "active shooter" means an**  
6 **individual actively engaged in killing or attempting to kill people**  
7 **in a school or school building.**

8           **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "department" refers to the**  
9 **department of homeland security established by IC 10-19-2-1.**

10          **Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "emergency response system"**  
11 **means a system that uses technology and best practices to respond**  
12 **to an active shooter incident.**

13          **Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "school corporation" means a**  
14 **local public school corporation established under state law. The**  
15 **term includes a school city, school town, school township,**  
16 **metropolitan school district, consolidated school corporation,**



1 county school corporation, township school corporation,  
2 community school corporation, or united school corporation.

3 Sec. 5. Not later than July 1, 2017, the department shall adopt  
4 minimum standards and approve best practices for emergency  
5 response systems.

6 Sec. 6. (a) After June 30, 2017, a school corporation may not  
7 purchase, install, or implement an emergency response system in  
8 the construction of a new school building or by retrofitting an  
9 existing school building unless all the following requirements are  
10 met:

11 (1) The department reviews and approves the school  
12 corporation's plans and specifications for compliance with the  
13 standards adopted by the department under this chapter.

14 (2) The department reviews and approves the use of the best  
15 practices approved under section 5 of this chapter in the  
16 school corporation's emergency response system.

17 (b) The department shall establish procedures for the  
18 department's review and approval of plans and specifications and  
19 the use of best practices as set forth in subsection (a).

20 Sec. 7. The standards described in section 5 of this chapter must  
21 require an emergency response system to:

22 (1) enable school staff to:

23 (A) sound an alarm throughout all school buildings and  
24 classrooms; and

25 (B) not later than two (2) seconds after the alarm is  
26 sounded, alert local law enforcement agencies via a virtual  
27 private network;

28 (2) enable local law enforcement agencies, not later than  
29 thirty (30) seconds after an alarm is sounded by school staff,  
30 to:

31 (A) obtain critical information including:

32 (i) the description and location of the active shooter and  
33 weapons;

34 (ii) real-time alerts and continuous monitoring of the  
35 incident; and

36 (iii) the status of every classroom; and

37 (B) initiate countermeasures to interrupt, delay, or stop an  
38 active shooter;

39 (3) enable local law enforcement agencies to share critical  
40 information with other emergency responders;

41 (4) enable local law enforcement officers to have real-time  
42 actionable intelligence on an electronic tablet;



- 1           **(5) send an immediate life threatening alert message to all**  
2           **cellular telephones identified for emergency notification;**  
3           **(6) provide a hardened door system to refuge areas, including**  
4           **offices, libraries, and cafeterias, that:**  
5               **(A) is resistant to breach by small arms fire;**  
6               **(B) has ballistic glass;**  
7               **(C) has electronically controlled door locks that engage**  
8               **automatically when an alert is issued; and**  
9               **(D) locks classroom doors automatically when closed;**  
10          **(7) provide monitoring stations in school administrative**  
11          **offices; and**  
12          **(8) provide electronic access control within a school during an**  
13          **active shooter incident.**



**S 03/21/2016** Public Law 27  
**S 03/21/2016** Signed by the Governor  
**S 03/14/2016** Signed by the President of the Senate  
**H 03/09/2016** Signed by the Speaker  
**S 03/09/2016** Signed by the President Pro Tempore  
**S 03/07/2016** Senate concurred in House Amendments; Roll Call 344: yeas 49, nays 0  
**S 03/04/2016** Motion to concur filed  
**H 02/29/2016** Returned to the Senate with amendments  
**H 02/29/2016** Representative Forestal added as cosponsor  
**H 02/29/2016** Representatives Zent, Klinker, Goodin, Cook, Saunders, Smith, V., Pelath, Beumer, Heaton, McNamara, Kirchhofer, Morris, Lehman, Austin, Wright, Errington, Moseley, Stemler, Brown, C., Lawson, Frye, Ziemke, Karickhoff, Clere, Eberhart, Dermody, Judy, Borders, Arnold, Carbaugh, Gutwein, Soliday added as cosponsors  
**H 02/29/2016** Rule 105.1 suspended  
**H 02/29/2016** Third reading: passed; Roll Call 277: yeas 97, nays 0  
**H 02/25/2016** Second reading: ordered engrossed  
**H 02/23/2016** Representative Macer added as cosponsor  
**H 02/23/2016** Committee report: amend do pass, adopted  
**H 02/22/2016** Representative Price added as cosponsor  
**H 02/08/2016** First reading: referred to Committee on Veterans Affairs and Public Safety  
**S 02/02/2016** Referred to the House  
**S 02/01/2016** Senator Buck added as coauthor  
**S 02/01/2016** Senator Miller, Pat added as coauthor  
**S 02/01/2016** Cosponsor: Representative Truitt  
**S 02/01/2016** House sponsor: Representative Mahan  
**S 02/01/2016** Third reading: passed; Roll Call 81: yeas 50, nays 0  
**S 01/28/2016** Senator Randolph added as coauthor  
**S 01/28/2016** Second reading: ordered engrossed  
**S 01/26/2016** Committee report: amend do pass, adopted  
**S 01/19/2016** Senator Arnold added as coauthor  
**S 01/19/2016** Senator Merritt added as third author  
**S 01/19/2016** Senator Rogers added as second author  
**S 01/05/2016** First reading: referred to Committee on Homeland Security & Transportation  
**S 01/05/2016** Authored by Senator Boots

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Chapter 1.5. School Emergency Response Systems Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "department" refers to the department of homeland security established by IC 10-19-2-1.

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "emergency response system" means systems designed to improve technology and infrastructure on school property that may be used to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and recover from a manmade or natural disaster or emergency occurring on school property.

Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "school property" means any property owned, rented, leased, or operated by: (1) a nonpublic school (as defined in IC 20-18-2-12); (2) a public school (as defined in IC 20-18-2-15); or (3) an approved postsecondary educational institution (as defined by IC 21-7-13-6).

Sec. 4. Not later than July 1, 2017, the department shall establish and maintain guidelines for emergency response systems. The department shall establish emergency response system guidelines with input from the division of school building physical security and safety (established by IC 20-19-3-14).

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President of the Senate

## Senate Bill 147

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