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HOUSE BILL No. 1008

DIGEST OF HB 1008 (Updated February 17, 2025 11:28 am - DI 140)

Citations Affected: IC 1-3.

Synopsis: Indiana-Illinois boundary adjustment commission. Establishes the Indiana-Illinois boundary adjustment commission, including five members appointed by the governor and five members appointed under Illinois law, to discuss and recommend whether it is advisable to adjust the boundaries between the two states.

Effective: July 1, 2025.

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January 21, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Government and Regulatory Reform.
February 17, 2025, reported — Do Pass.

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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~~.

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 2024 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 1-3-3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
2 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2025]:

4 **Chapter 3. Indiana-Illinois Boundary Adjustment Commission**

5 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "commission" refers to the**
6 **Indiana-Illinois boundary adjustment commission established by**
7 **section 3 of this chapter.**

8 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "Indiana member" refers to a**
9 **commission member appointed under section 4(a)(1) of this**
10 **chapter.**

11 **Sec. 3. The Indiana-Illinois boundary adjustment commission is**
12 **established.**

13 **Sec. 4. (a) The commission consists of the following members:**

14 **(1) Five (5) individuals who are not members of the general**
15 **assembly appointed by the governor. Not more than three (3)**
16 **members appointed under this subdivision may be members**
17 **of the same political party. However, if more than three (3)**

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1 individuals appointed under subdivision (2) are members of
 2 the same political party, the governor may appoint the same
 3 number of individuals under this subdivision from a political
 4 party different from the political party of the members
 5 appointed under subdivision (2).

6 (2) Five (5) individuals from the State of Illinois appointed
 7 under Illinois law.

8 (b) The governor shall notify the governor of the State of Illinois
 9 that the governor has appointed members to the commission under
 10 subsection (a).

11 (c) The governor shall schedule the first meeting of the
 12 commission not more than sixty (60) days after the governor
 13 receives notice that members of the commission have been
 14 appointed from the State of Illinois. At the commission's first
 15 meeting, the members shall elect from the commission's members:

16 (1) the commission's chair; and

17 (2) other officers the commission considers necessary or
 18 appropriate.

19 Sec. 5. (a) This section applies only to an Indiana member.

20 (b) A member of the commission serves a four (4) year term that
 21 expires on June 30 of an odd-numbered year.

22 (c) A member of the commission may be reappointed to
 23 successive terms.

24 (d) The governor shall fill a vacancy on the commission. An
 25 individual appointed to fill a vacancy serves for the unexpired term
 26 of the individual's predecessor.

27 Sec. 6. The commission shall meet at least once each calendar
 28 year. The commission may meet more frequently:

29 (1) at the call of the chair; or

30 (2) if six (6) or more commission members request a meeting.

31 Sec. 7. (a) This section applies only to an Indiana member.

32 (b) Each member of the commission who is not a state employee
 33 is entitled to receive the same per diem, mileage, and travel
 34 allowances paid to individuals who serve as legislative and lay
 35 members, respectively, of interim study committees established by
 36 the legislative council.

37 (c) Each member of the commission who is a state employee is
 38 entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under
 39 IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection
 40 with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and
 41 procedures established by the Indiana department of
 42 administration and approved by the budget agency.



1 (d) Per diem, mileage, and travel allowances paid under this
2 chapter shall be paid from appropriations made to the governor's
3 office.

4 Sec. 8. A quorum of the commission consists of:

5 (1) at least three (3) Indiana members; and

6 (2) at least three (3) members appointed from the State of
7 Illinois.

8 A quorum is required for official action of the commission.

9 Sec. 9. The commission's business must be conducted during a
10 public meeting held in compliance with IC 5-14-1.5.

11 Sec. 10. A writing prepared by, owned by, used by, in the
12 possession of, or retained by the commission in the performance of
13 an official function of the commission is a public record as
14 provided in IC 5-14-3.

15 Sec. 11. The governor shall designate an agency of the executive
16 branch to serve as a staff agency for the commission.

17 Sec. 12. The commission shall discuss and recommend whether
18 it is advisable to adjust the boundary between the State of Indiana
19 and the State of Illinois.

20 Sec. 13. Not later than sixty (60) days after the completion of the
21 commission's duties under this chapter, the commission shall
22 submit a written report to the general assembly in an electronic
23 format under IC 5-14-6. The report must state the following:

24 (1) A summary of the commission's work performed under
25 this chapter.

26 (2) The commission's recommendations, including any
27 legislation recommended by the commission.

28 Sec. 14. A commission recommendation to adjust the boundary
29 between the State of Indiana and the State of Illinois does not take
30 effect until approved by all of the following:

31 (1) The general assembly.

32 (2) The legislature of the State of Illinois.

33 (3) The Congress of the United States.



COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Government and Regulatory Reform, to which was referred House Bill 1008, 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 1008 as introduced.)

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Committee Vote: Yeas 11, Nays 1

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