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Chapter 12. Indiana Commission for Arts and Humanities in Education

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Creation

Sec. 1. There is hereby created a commission to be known as the Indiana commission for arts and humanities in education. On and after July 1, 1974, the commission shall consist of eight (8) members and the state superintendent of public instruction. The eight (8) members shall be appointed by the governor and shall serve for a term of four (4) years; provided however, that four (4) of the commissioners who are initially appointed shall serve for two (2) years. In the event of a vacancy, the governor shall appoint a successor to complete the unexpired term. In making such appointments, due consideration shall be given to any recommendation made by any other organization concerned with or engaged in arts and humanities in education. Insofar as is practical, members of the commission shall be selected so as to give representation to the various geographical areas of the state and to interested organizations. The state superintendent shall serve as chairman of the commission.

The meetings of the commission shall be held at least semi-annually and at such other times as may be necessary. All meetings shall be upon call of the chairman.

The members of the commission shall not be required to devote their full time to commission duties, but shall devote such time as is necessary to carry out said duties under this chapter. Members of the commission shall serve without pay, but shall be reimbursed for their reasonable and necessary expenses actually incurred in carrying out their duties. Five (5) members of the commission shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of the commission. *(Formerly: Acts 1974, P.L.10, SEC.1.)*

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Powers and duties

Sec. 2. It shall be the responsibility of the commission to stimulate and encourage arts and humanities programs in the public schools of the state.

In furthering this responsibility, the commission shall exercise the following powers, and may establish the necessary procedures, mechanisms and responsible and legal entities to enable the commission:

(a) To enter into contracts within the limited funds available with individuals, organizations and institutions for service furthering the objectives of the commission's program;

(b) To accept gifts, contributions and bequests of funds from individuals, foundations, corporations and other organizations or institutions;

(c) To make and sign any agreements and to do and perform any

acts that may be necessary to carry out its purpose and duties. (Formerly: Acts 1974, P.L.10, SEC.1.) As amended by Acts 1978, P.L.6, SEC.8.

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Chief administrative officer

Sec. 3. The chief administrative officer of the commission shall be the state superintendent of public instruction. He shall make provision for office facilities and personnel to keep adequate records pertaining to the commission's business and may designate a professional employee of the department of education as executive secretary. It shall be the duty of the executive secretary to conduct business as directed by the commission.

(Formerly: Acts 1974, P.L.10, SEC.1.) As amended by P.L.20-1984, SEC.1.