

MEMORANDUM

To: School Superintendents and Principals

From: Cathy Danyluk, Director
Office of Student Services

Date: July 7, 2017

Re: House Enrolled Act 1384 – Various Education Matters (IC 20-20-19-1)

Background:

The Indiana General Assembly recently passed legislation addressing the educational requirements for a School Social Worker. Effective July 1, 2017 a School Social Worker is required to hold a master's degree in Social Work. Those who have served as School Social Workers prior to July 1, 2017 are grandfathered, and are excused from meeting this new education requirement.

Guidance:

Beginning after July 1, 2017, all school corporations, charter schools, and accredited nonpublic schools shall require individuals obtaining a role as a School Social Worker to possess a master's degree in Social Work. The only exception to this requirement are those individuals who are in the position of School Social Worker prior to July 1, 2017.

If you have any questions, please contact Cathy Danyluk at (317) 232-9150 or email cdanyluk@doe.in.gov.