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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL RESOLUTION 24-03

(June 25, 2025)

A RESOLUTION of the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL to authorize payment of dues assessed by organizations in which the General Assembly is a member:

Whereas, the Legislative Council desires to continue membership of the General Assembly in the following national, nonprofit, nonpartisan organizations:

- (1) The Council of State Governments (CSG);
- (2) The National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL);
- (3) The National Conference of Insurance Legislators (NCOIL);
- (4) The Education Commission of the States (ECS); and
- (5) The National Council of Legislators from Gaming States (NCLGS);

Whereas, each of the above organizations extend membership to the General Assembly and all legislators in the General Assembly upon the payment of an annual dues assessment;

Whereas, the General Assembly is current on dues assessments for State Fiscal Year 2025 and prior state fiscal years; and

Whereas, HEA 1001 (2025) appropriated \$461,122 for State Fiscal Year 2026 to the Legislative Council and the Legislative Services Agency for the payment of national organization dues assessed to the General Assembly for organizations in which the General Assembly is a member;

Whereas, the amount of the appropriation reflects the sum of the estimated dues assessments that each of these national organizations is likely to request from the State of Indiana for State Fiscal Year 2026;

Whereas, the appropriation has not been reduced to reflect the forecasted reduction in revenue to be collected by the State of Indiana in State Fiscal Year 2026, which is \$963,900,000 less than previously expected or the rapid increase in other obligations of the State of Indiana, such as the state share of Medicaid expenses; and

Whereas, state agencies are generally expected to reduce expenditures by five percent (5%) to match projected expenditures with forecasted revenue: Therefore,

Be it Resolved by the Indiana Legislative Council:

SECTION 1. The Legislative Council authorizes the Executive Director of the Legislative Services Agency to pay the annual dues invoiced by the following organizations from funds available to the Legislative Council and the Legislative Services Agency in the state fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026 (*i.e.*, Fiscal Year 2026) less five percent (5%) of the invoiced amount of each national organization:

- (1) The Council of State Governments (CSG).
- (2) The National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL).
- (3) The National Conference of Insurance Legislators (NCOIL).
- (4) The Education Commission of the States (ECS).
- (5) The National Council of Legislators from Gaming States (NCLGS).
- (b) The Legislative Council may use the balance of funds previously deposited with the National Conference of State Legislatures for the purposes of SECTION 1 of this Resolution.