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§ 20-1-11.3-1. Authority to establish -- "Educational service center" defined The state board of education is authorized to provide for the establishment and procedures for the operation of educational service centers. The term "educational service center," as used in this chapter, means an extended agency of the local public school corporations, operating under rules established by the state board of education, which is the administrative and operational unit that serves a definitive geographical boundary and which allows local public school corporations to voluntarily cooperate and share programs and services which they cannot individually provide, but collectively may implement. Programs and services might include, but are not limited to, curriculum development, pupil personnel and special education services, inservice education, state-federal liaison services, instructional materials and multimedia services, vocational and career education, purchasing and financial management, needs' assessment, computer utilization, and research and development. **HISTORY:** [IC 20-1-11.3-1](#), as added by Acts 1976, P.L. 94, § 1; P.L.20-1984, § 38.

§ 20-1-11.3-2. Comprehensive -- Geographic areas to be served The state board of education shall adopt a comprehensive plan for the implementation of this chapter. The board shall determine the areas within the state which shall be served by an educational service center. In determining the geographic area to be served by an educational service center, the state board of education shall take into consideration physical factors, socio-economic factors, educational factors, and existing cooperative efforts and agreements. **HISTORY:** [IC 20-1-11.3-2](#), as added by Acts 1976, P.L. 94, § 1.

§ 20-1-11.3-3. Purposes The educational service centers are to be established under the regulations promulgated by the state board of education for the purposes of developing, providing, and making available to participating schools those services as requested by the participating corporations and approved by the board. **HISTORY:** [IC 20-1-11.3-3](#), as added by Acts 1976, P.L. 94, § 1.

§ 20-1-11.3-4. Location Educational service centers shall be located throughout the state to the extent that each school would have an opportunity to be served and to participate in an approved center, on a voluntary basis by resolution of the board of school trustees or governing body. **HISTORY:** [IC 20-1-11.3-4](#), as added by Acts 1976, P.L. 94, § 1.

§ 20-1-11.3-5. Educational service center board -- Selection Each educational service center shall be governed in its local administration by an educational service center board selected by an assembly comprised of the superintendent

or his designee from each participating school corporation. **HISTORY:** [IC 20-1-11.3-5](#), as added by Acts 1976, P.L. 94, § 1.