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SENATE DRS85073-LE-40B (02/02)

Short Title: School Calendar Flexibility/Inclement Weather. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Hise.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO ADDRESS SCHOOL DAYS MISSED BY MOUNTAIN COUNTIES DUE TO
3 INCLEMENT WEATHER.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.(a)** G.S. 115C-84.2(a)(1) reads as rewritten:

6 "(a) School Calendar. – Each local board of education shall adopt a school calendar
7 consisting of 215 days all of which shall fall within the fiscal year. A school calendar shall
8 include the following:

9 (1) A minimum of either 180 days and or 1,000 hours of instruction covering at
10 least nine calendar months. The local board shall designate when the 180
11 instructional days or 1,000 hours shall occur. The number of instructional
12 hours in an instructional day may vary according to local board policy and
13 does not have to be uniform among the schools in the administrative unit.
14 Local boards may approve school improvement plans that include days with
15 varying amounts of instructional time. If school is closed early due to
16 inclement weather, the day and the scheduled amount of instructional hours
17 may count towards the required minimum to the extent allowed by State
18 Board policy. The school calendar shall include a plan for making up days
19 and instructional hours missed when schools are not opened due to
20 inclement weather.

21 If, due to inclement weather, a local board of education complies with
22 this subdivision by scheduling 1,000 hours of instruction on less than 180
23 days, the local school administrative unit is deemed to have a minimum of
24 180 days of instruction, teachers employed for a 10-month term are deemed
25 to have been employed for 180 instructional days, and all other employees
26 shall be compensated as if they had worked their regularly scheduled hours
27 for 180 instructional days."

28 **SECTION 1.(b)** This section applies only to local school administrative units that
29 missed more than 15 instructional days during the 2010-2011 school year due to inclement
30 weather.

31 **SECTION 2.(a)** G.S. 115C-238.29F(d)(1) reads as rewritten:

32 "(1) The school shall provide instruction each year for ~~at least 180 days~~ a
33 minimum of either 180 days or 1,000 hours of instruction covering at least
34 nine calendar months."



1 **SECTION 2.(b)** This section applies only to charter schools that missed more than
2 15 instructional days during the 2010-2011 school year due to inclement weather.
3 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies only to the
4 2010-2011 school year.