

SENATE BILL No. 191

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 20-30-2.

Synopsis: School calendar and start date. Provides that a school placed in the highest category or designation of academic performance is not required to conduct a school year that consists of at least 180 student instructional days if the school conducts at least an equivalent number of hours of student instructional time. Prohibits public schools from beginning student instructional days for the school year before the Tuesday after the first Monday in September (Labor Day) and from ending after June 10 of the following year, beginning with the 2015-2016 school year. Provides that a governing body may establish a beginning date before Labor Day or an end date that is later than June 10 for year-round schools, schools with balanced calendars, schools that coordinate calendars with a postsecondary educational institution, and schools that coordinate calendars with a large employer in the school corporation, following public hearings and a majority vote of the governing body. Provides that a governing body may establish an end date for a school year that is later than June 10 for any school following public hearings and a majority vote of the governing body. Makes the change effective for collective bargaining agreements and contracts negotiated after June 30, 2015.

Effective: July 1, 2013.

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January 7, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedure.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 20-30-2-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION
2 14, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
3 2013]: Sec. 3. **Except as provided in section 3.5 of this chapter**, for
4 each school year, a school corporation shall conduct at least one
5 hundred eighty (180) student instructional days. Not later than June 15
6 of each school year, the superintendent of each school corporation shall
7 certify to the department the number of student instructional days
8 conducted during that school year.

9 SECTION 2. IC 20-30-2-3.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
10 AS A **NEW SECTION** TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
11 1, 2013]: **Sec. 3.5. (a) This section applies only to a school that has
12 been placed in the highest performance category or designation
13 established under IC 20-31-8-3.**

14 **(b) A school to which this section applies is not required to
15 conduct one hundred eighty (180) student instructional days in a
16 school year if the governing body establishes a calendar for the
17 school that consists of at least:**



1 (1) nine hundred (900) hours of instructional time, for grades
2 1 through 6; or

3 (2) one thousand eighty (1,080) hours of instructional time, for
4 grades 7 through 12.

5 (c) If a school to which this section applies ceases to be placed in
6 the highest category or designation established under IC 20-31-8-3,
7 the governing body shall establish a calendar for the school for the
8 following school year that consists of at least one hundred eighty
9 (180) student instructional days.

10 SECTION 3. IC 20-30-2-9 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
11 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
12 1, 2013]: Sec. 9. (a) This section applies only to a collective
13 bargaining agreement between a school employer (as defined in
14 IC 20-29-2-15) and an exclusive representative that is entered into
15 after June 30, 2015.

16 (b) This section applies only to a contract entered into or
17 renewed by a governing body after June 30, 2015.

18 (c) This section does not apply to a nonpublic school.

19 (d) Except as provided in subsections (e) and (f), beginning with
20 the 2015-2016 school year, the student instructional days that make
21 up a school year may not:

22 (1) begin before the Tuesday after Labor Day, the first
23 Monday in September; and

24 (2) end after June 10 of the following year.

25 (e) This subsection applies to a year-round school that has a
26 calendar in which a break between instructional days does not
27 exceed six (6) weeks, to a school that has a balanced calendar of
28 quarters, to a school that coordinates the school's calendar with
29 that of a postsecondary educational institution, and to a school that
30 coordinates the school's calendar with that of a large employer
31 within the school corporation. Notwithstanding subsection (d), a
32 governing body may begin a school year before Labor Day or end
33 a school year after June 10 at a school to which this subsection
34 applies if:

35 (1) the governing body gives notice and holds at least two (2)
36 public hearings at which public testimony must be allowed on
37 the issue; and

38 (2) at a third public hearing, a majority of the members of the
39 governing body vote to establish a beginning date for the
40 school year that is before Labor Day or an ending date for the
41 school year that is after June 10, or both.

42 (f) This subsection applies to a school that is not described in

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1 subsection (e). Notwithstanding subsection (d), a governing body
2 may end a school year after June 10 at a school to which this
3 subsection applies if:
4 (1) the governing body gives notice and holds at least two (2)
5 public hearings at which public testimony must be allowed on
6 the issue; and
7 (2) at a third public hearing, a majority of the members of the
8 governing body vote to establish an ending date for the school
9 year that is after June 10.

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