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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 2017

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 2017 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section  
5 24-2 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/24-2) (from Ch. 122, par. 24-2)  
7 Sec. 24-2. Holidays.

8 (a) Teachers shall not be required to teach on Saturdays,  
9 nor, except as provided in subsection (b) of this Section,  
10 shall teachers, educational support personnel employees, or  
11 other school employees, other than noncertificated school  
12 employees whose presence is necessary because of an emergency  
13 or for the continued operation and maintenance of school  
14 facilities or property, be required to work on legal school  
15 holidays, which are January 1, New Year's Day; the third  
16 Monday in January, the Birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King,

1 Jr.; February 12, the Birthday of President Abraham Lincoln;  
2 the first Monday in March (to be known as Casimir Pulaski's  
3 birthday); Good Friday; the day designated as Memorial Day by  
4 federal law; June 19, Juneteenth National Freedom Day; July 4,  
5 Independence Day; the first Monday in September, Labor Day;  
6 the second Monday in October, Columbus Day; November 11,  
7 Veterans' Day; the Thursday in November commonly called  
8 Thanksgiving Day; and December 25, Christmas Day. School  
9 boards may grant special holidays whenever in their judgment  
10 such action is advisable. No deduction shall be made from the  
11 time or compensation of a school employee, including an  
12 educational support personnel employee, on account of any  
13 legal or special holiday in which that employee would have  
14 otherwise been scheduled to work but for the legal or special  
15 holiday..

16 (b) A school board or other entity eligible to apply for  
17 waivers and modifications under Section 2-3.25g of this Code  
18 is authorized to hold school or schedule teachers' institutes,  
19 parent-teacher conferences, or staff development on the third  
20 Monday in January (the Birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King,  
21 Jr.); February 12 (the Birthday of President Abraham Lincoln);  
22 the first Monday in March (known as Casimir Pulaski's  
23 birthday); the second Monday in October (Columbus Day); and  
24 November 11 (Veterans' Day), provided that:

25 (1) the person or persons honored by the holiday are  
26 recognized through instructional activities conducted on

1 that day or, if the day is not used for student attendance,  
2 on the first school day preceding or following that day;  
3 and

4 (2) the entity that chooses to exercise this authority  
5 first holds a public hearing about the proposal. The  
6 entity shall provide notice preceding the public hearing  
7 to both educators and parents. The notice shall set forth  
8 the time, date, and place of the hearing, describe the  
9 proposal, and indicate that the entity will take testimony  
10 from educators and parents about the proposal.

11 (c) Commemorative holidays, which recognize specified  
12 patriotic, civic, cultural or historical persons, activities,  
13 or events, are regular school days. Commemorative holidays  
14 are: January 17 (the birthday of Muhammad Ali), January 28 (to  
15 be known as Christa McAuliffe Day and observed as a  
16 commemoration of space exploration), February 15 (the birthday  
17 of Susan B. Anthony), March 29 (Viet Nam War Veterans' Day),  
18 September 11 (September 11th Day of Remembrance), the school  
19 day immediately preceding Veterans' Day (Korean War Veterans'  
20 Day), October 1 (Recycling Day), October 7 (Iraq and  
21 Afghanistan Veterans Remembrance Day), December 7 (Pearl  
22 Harbor Veterans' Day), and any day so appointed by the  
23 President or Governor. School boards may establish  
24 commemorative holidays whenever in their judgment such action  
25 is advisable. School boards shall include instruction relative  
26 to commemorated persons, activities, or events on the

1 commemorative holiday or at any other time during the school  
2 year and at any point in the curriculum when such instruction  
3 may be deemed appropriate. The State Board of Education shall  
4 prepare and make available to school boards instructional  
5 materials relative to commemorated persons, activities, or  
6 events which may be used by school boards in conjunction with  
7 any instruction provided pursuant to this paragraph.

8 (d) City of Chicago School District 299 shall observe  
9 March 4 of each year as a commemorative holiday. This holiday  
10 shall be known as Mayors' Day which shall be a day to  
11 commemorate and be reminded of the past Chief Executive  
12 Officers of the City of Chicago, and in particular the late  
13 Mayor Richard J. Daley and the late Mayor Harold Washington.  
14 If March 4 falls on a Saturday or Sunday, Mayors' Day shall be  
15 observed on the following Monday.

16 (e) Notwithstanding any other provision of State law to  
17 the contrary, November 3, 2020 shall be a State holiday known  
18 as 2020 General Election Day and shall be observed throughout  
19 the State pursuant to this amendatory Act of the 101st General  
20 Assembly. All government offices, with the exception of  
21 election authorities, shall be closed unless authorized to be  
22 used as a location for election day services or as a polling  
23 place.

24 Notwithstanding any other provision of State law to the  
25 contrary, November 8, 2022 shall be a State holiday known as  
26 2022 General Election Day and shall be observed throughout the

1 State under Public Act 102-15.

2 (Source: P.A. 101-642, eff. 6-16-20; 102-14, eff. 1-1-22;

3 102-15, eff. 6-17-21; 102-334, eff. 8-9-21; 102-411, eff.

4 1-1-22; 102-813, eff. 5-13-22.)".