

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FEBRUARY 14, 2017

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An
 2 act relating to the public school system, including certain
 3 provisions applicable as well to private and parochial
 4 schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the
 5 laws relating thereto," in terms and courses of study,
 6 further providing for days schools not to be kept open.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
 8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. Section 1502(a) of the act of March 10, 1949
 10 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, is
 11 amended to read:

12 Section 1502. Days Schools not to be Kept Open.--(a) Except
 13 as provided in subsection (c), no school shall be kept open on
 14 any Saturday for the purpose of ordinary instruction, except
 15 when Monday is fixed by the board of school directors as the
 16 weekly holiday, or on Sunday, Memorial Day, Fourth of July,
 17 Christmas, Thanksgiving, the First of January, Martin Luther
 18 King, Jr. Day and up to five additional days designated as local
 19 holidays in the adopted school calendar by the board of school

1 directors as official local school district holidays, nor shall
2 any school be kept open in any district during the time of
3 holding the teachers' institute for such district. The board of
4 school directors may cancel any day designated as a local
5 holiday in the event of a weather emergency or natural disaster.

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7 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.