

Bill Summary Comparison

House Research and Senate Counsel and Research

Senate: Senate File 1743	Comparison	House: SF 1743 1 st Unofficial Engrossment
	Overview	
<p>S.F. 1743, as passed by the Senate, authorizes a local school board, by resolution, to count days and hours of instruction lost because of snow days during the 2018-2019 school in the calculation of average daily membership for certain pupils. The pupils include kindergarten pupils with a disability, prekindergarten pupils enrolled in a voluntary prekindergarten or school readiness plus program, and pupils enrolled in a learning year program.</p> <p>The bill requires a district to report to the commissioner if the district would have fallen short of the required days and hours of instruction without the authority provided in this section. Encourages these districts to adopt an e-learning day plan.</p>		<p>H.F. 1743, 1st unofficial engrossment, as passed by the House, allows school districts and charter schools to count as instructional days, and in the calculation of average daily membership, three specific days in January when schools were closed due to health and safety concerns.</p> <p>The House bill requires all non-teaching staff to be compensated for the three days, requires school districts to pay regularly scheduled amounts to contract employers who certify they have or will pay their employees for those days, and adjusts the minimum number of days of service that a probationary teacher must teach for the year to count toward continuing contract status.</p>
	Applicable Days	
Senate authorizes any severe weather day where school was closed as long the days are subsequently approved by school board. Senate encourages E-learning days.		House identifies three specific days only—January 29, 30, and 31 of 2019.
	School Employees	
Senate requires school districts to allow an employee to work on another day and be compensated or compensate employees for each of the days not worked, if the employment contract does not provide for school closings due to inclement weather.		House requires school district to compensate employees for up to the three designated school days either by providing an additional day of employment or paying the employees their normal rate of compensation.
	Probationary Teachers	
Senate adjusts the minimum regular service days to 120 days less number of snow days the school board resolved to count as instructional days.		House adjusts the minimum required service days for a year to count as a probationary year from 120 days to 120 days less any number of snow days declared by the district.
	Private Employers	
No provision		House authorizes private contract employer to notify school district that it will compensate its employees. If so notified, school district is required to pay contract employer the regularly scheduled amount for each day, up to three, that the employee is compensated.