

H.F. 211

As Introduced

Subject Holidays

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Overview

This bill replaces Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples' Day as a recognized state holiday, and requires a school district to observe Indigenous Peoples' Day if it conducts school on this day.

Summary

Section Description

1 Conduct of school on certain holidays.

Replaces Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples' Day on list of holidays that a school district may conduct school. Requires at least one hour of the school program on Indigenous Peoples' Day to be devoted to observance of the day, and lists topics on which the district may provide professional development to teachers and staff, or instruction to students.

2 Holiday. [Words and phrases defined]

Replaces Christopher Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples' Day in the list of holidays that are included in the term "holidays" when the term is used in Minnesota Statutes or legislative acts.

This section also requires Indigenous Peoples' Day to be fully recognized as a holiday in the executive branch of state government, and by political subdivisions. The existing Christopher Columbus Day holiday is not recognized by the executive branch. Other branches of state government and political subdivisions have the option of recognizing Christopher Columbus Day, but are not required to do so.



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