

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

KENTUCKY GENERAL ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT FORM
2020 REGULAR SESSION
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Amend printed copy of **HB 461/HCS 1**

On page 9, line 15, delete "twenty (20)" and insert "thirty (30)" in lieu thereof; and

On page 11, line 27, after "up to" delete "20" and insert "30" in lieu thereof; and

On page 12, beginning with line 4, and ending on page 13, line 8, delete Section 3. in its entirety and replace with the following in lieu thereof:

"→Section 3. (1) Notwithstanding any other statute or administrative regulation to the contrary, for the 2019-2020 school year, students shall receive a minimum of 1,062 instructional hours, less the amount of instructional time waived as provided in this section and any waiver provided in accordance with KRS 158.070(3)(f), in effect on the effective date of this Act, and 702 KAR 7:140.

(2) A school district may reach 1,062 instructional hours by adding time to the day. A day shall not exceed seven hours of instructional time, unless the district submitted and received approval from the commissioner of education for an innovative alternative calendar. A school district may schedule instructional days on Saturdays. A local board of education may submit a plan to the Department of Education demonstrating how 1,062 instructional hours will be completed, and the plan shall be approved.

(3) If a school district desires to complete 1,062 instructional hours by June 12, 2020, but is unable to under its current school calendar, the district shall request assistance from the commissioner of education by May 1, 2020, to determine a plan for maximizing instructional

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Rep. Rep. Steve Riley

Committee Amendment _____

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time to complete 1,062 instructional hours by June 12, 2020. If the district presents compelling rationale that adding instructional time to the day would create logistical hardships, the commissioner shall not require adding time to the day as part of the district's plan. If, after providing planning assistance to the school district, the commissioner of education determines the school district has maximized instructional time but cannot complete 1,062 hours by June 12, 2020, the commissioner shall waive the remaining instructional hours required.

(4) A school district may schedule graduation ceremonies before the final instructional day.

(5) Notwithstanding any other statute or administrative regulation to the contrary, for the 2019-2020 school year, school district certified and classified personnel shall complete all contract days by participating in instructional activities or professional development or by being assigned additional work responsibilities.

(6) Notwithstanding any other statute or administrative regulation to the contrary, for the 2019-2020 school year, a district may be open on the day of a primary election if no school in the district is used as a polling place.

(7) The Kentucky Department of Education shall make a report to the Interim Joint Committee on Education by October 30, 2020, on how school districts completed the 1,062 instructional hours.

➔Section 4. Notwithstanding KRS 161.152 and any other statute or administrative regulation to the contrary, during the 2019-2020 school year, a local board of education shall allow emergency leave to any full-time or part-time classified or certified employee, in an amount not to exceed a total of 30 days, if the local board determines it is necessary in relation to the COVID-19 public health emergency. A local board shall waive any requirement under local policy for an employee to file a personal affidavit in order to take emergency leave allowed pursuant to this section.

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➔Section 5. For the 2019-2020 school year, the Kentucky Department of Education is hereby directed to seek any waivers from any federal government agency that may be necessary to allow for school districts to be reimbursed under the federal Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act for any meals and meal supplements that may be prepared and served by the district, including but not limited to waivers allowing service in non-congregate settings and reducing the mandatory wait times between serving meals, during any time that a district is closed to students in relation to the COVID-19 public health emergency. All school districts are encouraged to maximize opportunities that may be granted through any waivers regarding food service and the COVID-19 public health emergency to address food insecurity issues of students in the districts.

➔Section 6. Notwithstanding any other statute or regulation to the contrary, for the 2019-2020 school year, the Kentucky Board of Education may waive requirements of the statewide assessment and accountability system in accordance with any federal waiver regarding those requirements that the Kentucky Department of Education receives due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

➔Section 7. Notwithstanding KRS 156.557 and 704 KAR 3:370, for the 2019-2020 school year, a local board of education may revise the district's certified evaluation plan to adjust deadlines for completing evaluations that are delayed due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

➔Section 8. Notwithstanding KRS 159.035, for the 2019-2020 school year, a principal may award the number of educational enhancement opportunity days needed by a graduating student to meet military service or postsecondary education enrollment obligations that occur prior to the last day of school due to the COVID-19 public health emergency."; and

Renumber the subsequent section accordingly.