## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 1507 Session of 2023

INTRODUCED BY TOPPER, BERNSTINE, KAUFFMAN, KUTZ, M. MACKENZIE AND STENDER, JUNE 26, 2023

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, JUNE 26, 2023

## AN ACT

Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An act relating to the public school system, including certain 2 provisions applicable as well to private and parochial 3 schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the 4 laws relating thereto," in preliminary provisions, providing for minimum number of days or hours. 6 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: Section 1. The act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known 9 10 as the Public School Code of 1949, is amended by adding a section to read: 11 12 Section 130. Minimum Number of Days or Hours. -- (a) 13 Notwithstanding section 520.1 or 1501 or other provision of law to the contrary, beginning in the 2023-2024 school year and 14 15 continuing each school year thereafter, a school entity shall 16 provide within the school year: 17 (1) a minimum of one hundred eighty (180) days of 18 instruction; or 19 (2) nine hundred (900) hours of instruction at the

elementary level or nine hundred ninety (990) hours of

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- 1 <u>instruction at the secondary level.</u>
- 2 (b) Nothing in this section shall be construed to supersede
- 3 or preempt a provision of a collective bargaining agreement
- 4 <u>entered into between a school employer and an exclusive</u>
- 5 representative of the employes under the act of July 23, 1970
- 6 (P.L.563, No.195), known as the "Public Employe Relations Act,"
- 7 prior to the effective date of this section.
- 8 (c) As used in this section, the term "school entity" shall
- 9 <u>mean a school district, intermediate unit or area career and</u>
- 10 technical school.
- 11 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.