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HB 1507

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 provisions applicable as well to private and parochial schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," in preliminary provisions, providing for minimum number of days or hours.

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 as the Public School Code of 1949, is amended by adding a section to read:

Section 133. Minimum Number of Days or Hours.--(a) Notwithstanding section 520.1 or 1501 or other provision of law to the contrary, beginning in the 2023-2024 school year and continuing each school year thereafter, a school entity shall provide within the school year:

- (1) a minimum of one hundred eighty (180) days of instruction; or
- (2) nine hundred (900) hours of instruction at the elementary level or nine hundred ninety (990) hours of instruction at the secondary level.
- (b) Nothing in this section shall be construed to supersede or preempt a provision of a collective bargaining agreement entered into between a school employer and an exclusive representative of the employes under the act of July 23, 1970 (P.L.563, No.195), known as the "Public Employe Relations Act," prior to the effective date of this section.
- (c) As used in this section, the term "school entity" shall mean a school district, intermediate unit or area career and technical school.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED--The 14th day of December, A.D. 2023.

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