



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 14

LCO No. 3077

Referred to Committee on Education

Introduced by:
(ED)

AN ACT CONCERNING SCHOOL DAY START TIMES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 10-16 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 (a) Each school district shall provide in each school year no less than
4 one hundred and eighty days of actual school sessions for grades
5 kindergarten to twelve, inclusive, nine hundred hours of actual school
6 work for full-day kindergarten and grades one to twelve, inclusive,
7 and four hundred and fifty hours of half-day kindergarten, provided
8 school districts shall not count more than seven hours of actual school
9 work in any school day towards the total required for the school year.
10 If weather conditions result in an early dismissal or a delayed opening
11 of school, a school district which maintains separate morning and
12 afternoon half-day kindergarten sessions may provide either a
13 morning or afternoon half-day kindergarten session on such day.

14 (b) No class or course of instruction in a public school shall
15 commence prior to 8:30 a.m.

16 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001.

Statement of Purpose:

To prohibit classes in public schools from commencing prior to 8:30 a.m.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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