



General Assembly

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**Committee Bill No. 343**

LCO No. 4281

Referred to Committee on Government Administration and Elections

Introduced by:  
(GAE)

**AN ACT DESIGNATING JUNETEENTH INDEPENDENCE DAY.**

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 10-29a of the general statutes is  
2 amended by adding subdivision (47) as follows (*Effective from passage*):

3 (NEW) (47) The Governor shall proclaim the Saturday that is closest  
4 to June nineteenth of each year to be Juneteenth Independence Day in  
5 recognition of the formal emancipation of enslaved African-Americans  
6 pursuant to General Order No. 3 of June 19, 1865, in Galveston, Texas.  
7 Suitable exercises shall be held in the State Capitol and elsewhere as  
8 the Governor designates for the observance of the day.

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| This act shall take effect as follows: |                     |
| Section 1                              | <i>from passage</i> |

**GAE** Joint Favorable