
OLR Bill Analysis

sHB 7258

AN ACT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A FIRM GRADUATION DATE AND THE DATE WHEN A SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY COMMENCE SCHOOL SESSIONS.

SUMMARY

Under current law, a local or regional board of education must wait until at least April 1 to set a firm high school graduation date that provides at least 180 days of school (i.e., the minimum required number of days). Prior to April 1, the board may set a firm graduation date no earlier than the 185th day noted in the school calendar the board adopted for that year.

The bill allows a board to establish, at any time in the school year, a firm graduation date no earlier than the 180th day of the board-adopted school calendar for that year.

The bill also specifies that school boards can set their calendars to begin school on any day before or after Labor Day (the first Monday in September).

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2019

COMMITTEE ACTION

Education Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 34 Nay 0 (03/15/2019)