

SENATE BILL NO. 208

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING SATURDAY SCHOOL IN K-12 SCHOOLS; REQUIRING THAT SATURDAY SCHOOL BE VOLUNTARY; REQUIRING THAT SATURDAY SCHOOL IS NOT A PUPIL-INSTRUCTION-RELATED PUPIL-INSTRUCTION DAY AND DOES NOT COUNT TOWARD THE MINIMUM AGGREGATE HOURS OF PUPIL INSTRUCTION; AND AMENDING SECTION 20-1-303, MCA."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 20-1-303, MCA, is amended to read:

"20-1-303. Conduct of school on Saturday or Sunday prohibited -- ~~exception~~ exceptions. (1)

Except as provided in ~~this section~~ subsections (2) and (3), pupil instruction may not be conducted on Saturday or Sunday.

(2) In emergencies, pupil instruction may be conducted on a Saturday when it is approved by the trustees of the school district in accordance with the policies adopted by the board of public education.

(3) Pupil instruction may be held on a Saturday at the discretion of a school district for the purpose of providing additional pupil instruction, provided that:

(a) Saturday school is not a ~~pupil-instruction-related~~ PUPIL-INSTRUCTION day, ~~as defined in 20-1-304 AND DOES NOT COUNT TOWARD MINIMUM AGGREGATE HOURS OF PUPIL INSTRUCTION PROVIDED FOR IN 20-1-301; AND~~

~~(b) teachers who volunteer to teach on a Saturday are compensated at the same rate as and in addition to their annual contract of employment compensation; and~~

(c)(B) student attendance is voluntary."

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