

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017

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RELATING TO STATEWIDE VIRTUAL EDUCATION - SNOW DAYS

Introduced By: Senators Morgan, and Kettle

Date Introduced: March 29, 2017

Referred To: Senate Education

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 16-22.1 of the General Laws entitled "The Statewide Virtual Education Act [See Title 16 Chapter 97 - The Rhode Island Board of Education Act]" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

16-22.1-5.1. Cancellation of school days due to weather or other events.

In addition to the regulations set forth in §16-22.1-5, the department of elementary and secondary education and the commissioner shall develop an at home online learning system for K-12 students for use by any local school district to minimize the number of school days to be added to the end of the school year in compliance with the gross number of school days required by law due to any cancellation caused by natural events such as weather or other events affecting the state or particular to any local school district.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
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- 1 This act would authorize the development of an at home online learning system for use
2 by school districts to minimize the number of school days lost during the school year due to
3 weather related or other events resulting in the cancellation of school.
4 This act would take effect on July 1, 2017.

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