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Senate Bill No. 42

(By Mr. Davis of Lewis)

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AN ACT to amend and re-enact section four of article seven of chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia of one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, relating to time lost through closing schools on account of diseases; holidays; school month; special exercises; and making armistice day a school holiday.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section four of article seven of chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia of one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one be, and the same is hereby amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 4. If any school is closed by the proper authorities 2 on account of the prevalence of any contagious or infectous 3 disease, the time during which such school is closed shall be 4 counted as if taught in determining whether a school has been 5 maintained for the minimum term, and the teacher of such 6 school shall not be compelled to make up such lost time: Pro-7 vided, he held himself in readiness to teach subject to the order 8 of the board.

In making contracts with teachers and other employees of 10 the board, it shall be understood that schools are not to be kept 11 open for instruction on any Saturday or on the following days 12 which are hereby named and designated as school holidays, 13 namely: The fourth of July, commonly called "Independence 14 Day"; the eleventh of November, commonly called "Armistice 15 Day"; the last Thursday of November, commonly called 16 "Thanksgiving Day"; the twenty-fifth day of December, com-17 monly called "Christmas Day"; any day on which a general 18 election is held throughout the state; and any day appointed 19 and set apart by the president or the governor as a day of 20 special observance by the people of the state.

21 The school month shall consist of twenty days on which school

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22 is kept in session for the full number of hours prescribed by 23 law, but in any case where Independence Day, Armistice Day, 24 Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, or any day on which a 25 general election is held shall fall on a school day and the school 26 is taught on the day preceding or following, such day shall be 27 counted the same as taught in the report of the teacher for pay 28 for the school month in which it occurs. Schools shall be 29 assembled for instruction on Washington's Birthday and shall 30 devote a portion of the day to exercises commemorating the 31 life and services of the "Father of Our Country." Schools 32 shall be assembled on Armistice Day at the usual time, shall 33 devote not less than one hour to appropriate exercises commemor-34 ating the victory of our country and its allies in the world war 35 and the ending of that war, and shall then be dismissed for the 36 day. Schools may also be assembled for instruction on such 37 days as Arbor Day, Labor Day, Memorial Day, Lincoln's Birth-38 day, Columbus Day and other special days and devote a portion 39 of the day to appropriate ceremonies, but on such special days 40 the school must be kept open for the entire school day to en-41 title the teacher to pay for that day.

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42 The first day of the year, commonly called New Year's Day,

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43 shall be a legal school day; but any board of education or 44 trustees of any school district shall have the right to provide 45 for the observance of the same as a holiday.

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