SENATE BILL 128

F19lr0906 By: Senators Pinsky and King Introduced and read first time: January 18, 2019 Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee Report: Favorable Senate action: Adopted Read second time: February 8, 2019 CHAPTER AN ACT concerning County Boards of Education – School Year – Start and End Dates FOR the purpose of repealing a provision of law that authorized a county board of education to extend the length of the school year for a certain number of days without approval from the State Board of Education; requiring each county board to set the start date and end date of the school year for the public schools in the county each year; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the start date and end date of the school year and county boards of education. BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Education Section 7–103 Annotated Code of Maryland (2018 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement) SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: Article - Education 7-103.Except as provided in subsections (b), [(e)] (F), and [(f)] (G) of this section,

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

each public school under the jurisdiction of a county board:

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

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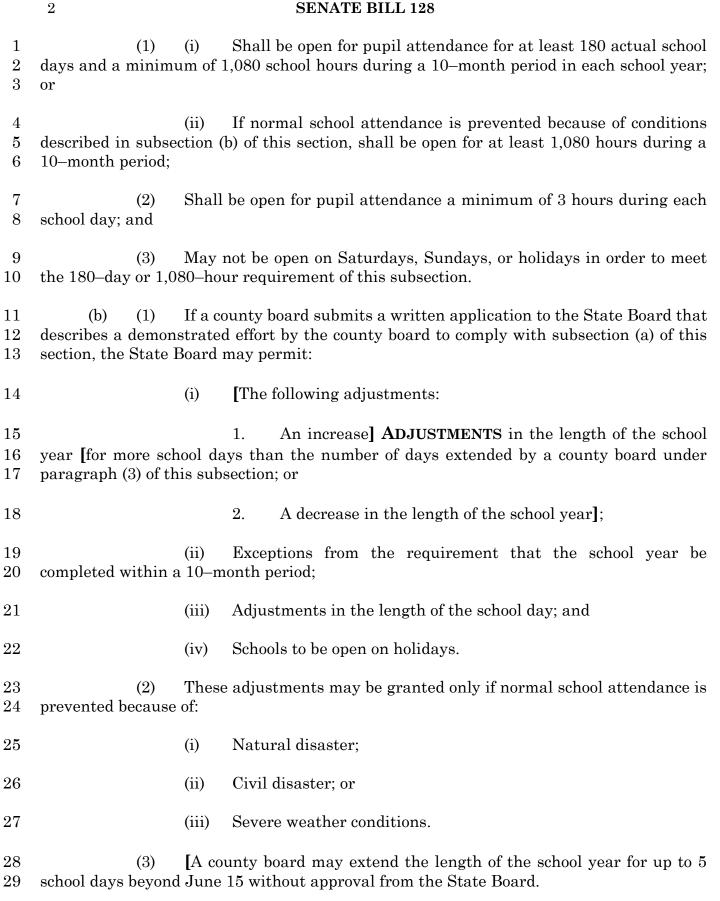
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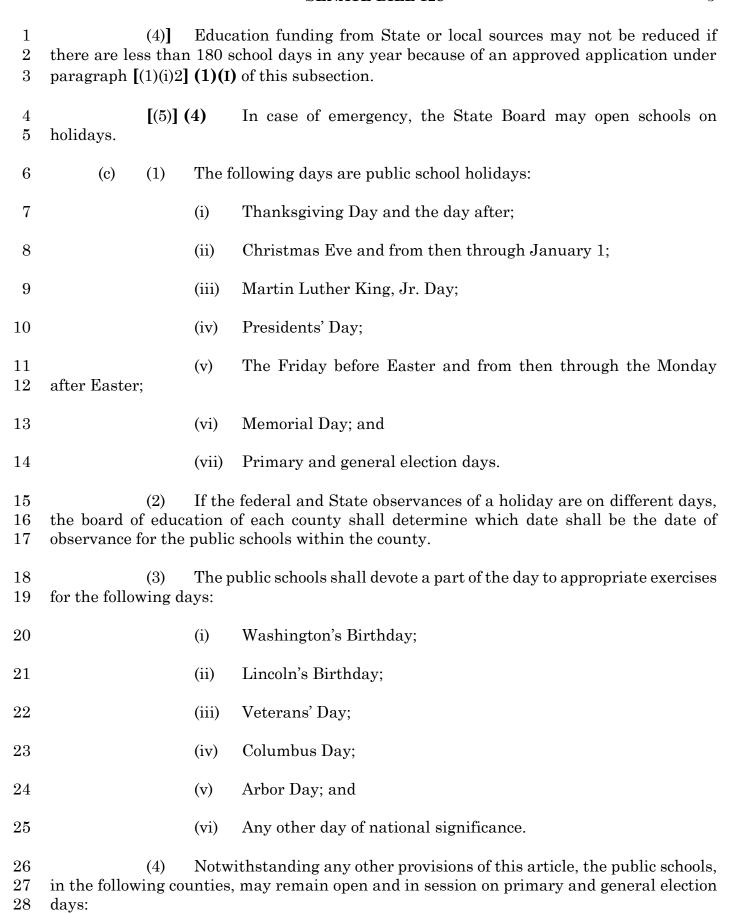
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Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.







	(i)	Calvert;
	(ii)	Caroline;
	(iii)	Dorchester;
	(iv)	Kent;
	(v)	Talbot; and
	(vi)	Worcester.
7 (d) Except as provided in subsection [(e)] (F) of this section, the State Board shall 8 divide the school year into the terms it considers appropriate.		
9 (E) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW AND SUBJECT TO 10 THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION, EACH COUNTY BOARD SHALL SET THE START 11 DATE AND END DATE OF THE SCHOOL YEAR FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THE 12 COUNTY EACH YEAR.		
[(e)] (F) (1) The county boards of Allegany, Anne Arundel, Calvert, Howard, Montgomery, and Prince George's counties, and the Board of School Commissioners of Baltimore City, may elect to operate one or more schools within the county or Baltimore City on a year—round basis, provided that the 180—day and the minimum hour requirements under this section are met.		
(2) year–round pilot s		ing in this section precludes a county board from conducting a r program that is funded by the county board.
[(f)] (G) Publicly funded prekindergarten programs are not subject to the requirements of subsection (a) of this section.		
SECTION 2 1, 2019.	. AND	BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
Approved:		
		Governor.
		President of the Senate.
	(E) NOTE THE REQUIREMENT DATE AND END TO COUNTY EACH YE [(e)] (F) Montgomery, and Baltimore City, mongoing the country on a year-requirements under the country of the cou	(ii) (iv) (v) (vi) (d) Except as predivide the school year interpretation (E) NOTWITHS THE REQUIREMENTS OF DATE AND END DATE COUNTY EACH YEAR. [(e)] (F) (1) Montgomery, and Prince Baltimore City, may elective on a year—round requirements under this (2) Nothing year—round pilot study of [(f)] (G) Public requirements of subsection SECTION 2. AND 1, 2019.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.