

# PROPOSED AMENDMENT

## HB 1243 # 16

### DIGEST

Solar eclipse. Provides that the department of education may authorize school corporations or charter schools to cancel school on April 8, 2024, or use the day as a virtual student instructional day for the observance of the solar eclipse occurring on that date.

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- 1           Page 61, after line 27, begin a new paragraph and insert:  
2           "SECTION 68. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) **The**  
3           **definitions used in IC 20-18-2 apply throughout this SECTION.**  
4           **(b) The department of education may, in a manner prescribed**  
5           **by the department, authorize all school corporations or charter**  
6           **schools to elect to either cancel school on April 8, 2024, or to use**  
7           **the day as a virtual student instructional day for the observance of**  
8           **the solar eclipse occurring on that date.**  
9           **(c) If a school corporation or charter school elects to, in**  
10           **accordance with the department's authorization described in**  
11           **subsection (b):**  
12                 **(1) use the day as a virtual student instructional day,**  
13                 **notwithstanding IC 20-30-2-2.7, the virtual student day does**  
14                 **not count towards the three (3) virtual student instructional**  
15                 **days under IC 20-30-2-2.7; or**  
16                 **(2) cancel school, the canceled school day may not be used to**  
17                 **penalize the school corporation or charter school under**  
18                 **IC 20-30-2-4 for not meeting the one hundred eighty (180)**  
19                 **student instructional days set forth in IC 20-30-2-3.**  
20           **(d) This SECTION expires July 1, 2024.**  
21           SECTION 69. **An emergency is declared for this act.**  
              (Reference is to HB 1243 as reprinted January 31, 2024.)