DIGEST

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Crane HB No. 21

Abstract: Provides that <u>present law</u> provisions relative to the requirement for operation of a minimum school session of not less than 180 days (for school classification purposes) shall not be applicable for the 2005-2006 school year.

<u>Present law</u> defines a school as an institution for the teaching of children, consisting of an adequate physical plant, whether owned or leased, instructional staff members, and students. Provides that to be classified as a school, the school shall meet certain specified requirements including that the school operate a minimum session of not less than 180 days.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> except provides that effective for the 2005-2006 school year, the provisions of <u>present law</u> relative to the required operation of a minimum school session of not less than 180 days shall not be applicable. Further authorizes the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to adopt rules effective for the 2005-2006 school year relative to the minimum session required of any institution in order to be classified as a school.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 17:236)