

Regular Session, 1999

SENATE BILL NO. 246

BY SENATOR JONES AND REPRESENTATIVES BAYLOR, COPELIN,  
CURTIS, FARVE, GLOVER, GREEN, GUILLORY,  
HOLDEN, HUDSON, HUNTER, JETSON, MORRELL,  
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WILKERSON AND WILLARD

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 1:55(A)(6) and to enact R.S. 1:55(A)(7), relative to days of public rest and legal holidays; to make Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday a legal holiday for public schools; to make George Washington's birthday a legal holiday for public schools; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 1:55(A)(6) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 1:55(A)(7) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§55. Days of public rest, legal holidays, and half-holidays

A. The following shall be days of public rest and legal holidays and half-holidays:

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(6) **The third Monday in January**, ~~The~~ **the** birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. ~~Great American Day and Presidents' Day~~ for public schools; provided however, that a local school board shall decide to observe this holiday during a regularly scheduled school day with or without the necessity of adjourning school for all or any portion of the school day.

**R.S. 1:55(A)(7) is all new law.**

(7) The third Monday in February, the birthday of President George Washington for public schools; provided however, that a local school board shall decide to observe this holiday during a regularly scheduled school day with or without the necessity of adjourning school for all or any portion of the school day.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_