



HOUSE BILL 92: School Calendar Flexibility/Certain LEAs.

2021-2022 General Assembly

Committee:	House Education - K-12. If favorable, re-refer to Local Government. If favorable, re-refer to Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	Date:	April 13, 2021
Introduced by:	Rep. Howard	Prepared by:	Drupti Chauhan
Analysis of:	PCS to First Edition H92-CSRQ-10		Committee Counsel

OVERVIEW: House Bill 92 would allow Davie County Schools to open no earlier than August 10 each year. The Proposed Committee Substitute (PCS) for HB 92 would add Davidson County Schools, Iredell-Statesville School District, and Mooresville Graded School District to the bill.

CURRENT LAW: G.S. 115C-84.2 provides that, with certain exceptions, the opening date for students in a school calendar must be no earlier than the Monday closest to August 26, and the closing date for students must be no later than the Friday closest to June 11.

All annual assessments of student achievement adopted by the State Board of Education and all final exams for courses must be administered within the final 10 instructional days of the school year for year-long courses and within the final five instructional days of the semester for semester courses (G.S. 115-174(a)(4)). Exceptions consist of accommodating a student's individualized education program and section 504 (29 U.S.C. § 794) plans and administering final exams for courses with national or international curricula that must be held at designated times.

BILL ANALYSIS: The PCS for HB 92 would allow Davidson County Schools, Davie County Public Schools, Iredell-Statesville School District, and Mooresville Graded School District to open no earlier than August 10 each year. The PCS would remove the authority of the State Board of Education to waive the general opening date requirement for good cause since the school system could open as early as August 10. The PCS also clarifies that if the school system's school calendar concludes the fall semester prior to December 31, assessments can be administered prior to the conclusion of that semester.

This is a local bill that only applies to Davidson County Schools, Davie County Public Schools, Iredell-Statesville School District, and Mooresville Graded School District.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The bill is effective when it becomes law and applies beginning with the 2021-2022 school year.

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