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Bill Number: H. 3929 Introduced on February 7, 2019
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Subject: Waived School Days
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Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill will have no expenditure impact on the State Department of Education (SDE) since the bill requires the agency to perform activities that can be conducted within the normal course of agency business. Further, the forgiveness of school days will have no impact on the amount of state funds expended to districts to support students.

This bill could create cost savings and reduce expenditures for school districts. The amount of cost savings is undetermined and depends upon the number and size of the districts requesting the forgiveness of days and the number of days forgiven. Any cost savings may include reduced expenditures for hourly employees such as school bus drivers and food service employees. In addition, a small amount of utility expense may be avoided due to forgiveness of school days.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

This bill allows the State Board of Education to waive the requirements of making up days beyond the three days forgiven by the local school district for any days missed during the 2018-19 school year due to snow, extreme weather conditions, or other disruptions requiring schools to close. The waiver may be considered and granted only upon the request of the local board of trustees through a majority vote of the local school board. The provisions of this bill apply notwithstanding the provisions of Section 59-1-425.

SDE indicates that this bill requires the agency to perform activities that can be conducted within the normal course of agency business. Therefore, the bill will have no expenditure impact on SDE. Further, the forgiveness of school days due to the provisions of this bill will have no impact on the amount of state funds expended to districts to support students.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

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Local Revenue

N/A



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