AN ACT Relating to aligning state and school holidays; amending RCW 28A.150.050; and creating a new section.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. In 2021, the state enacted House Bill No. 1016 to declare Juneteenth a state legal holiday. The legislature finds that there is ambiguity about whether Juneteenth is also a school holiday as a result of that act. The legislature intends to clarify that Juneteenth, like all other state legal holidays, is a school holiday on which school may not be taught.

Sec. 2. RCW 28A.150.050 and 2014 c 177 s 3 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) ((The following are)) All of the state legal holidays set forth in RCW 1.16.050(1) are also school holidays and school may not be taught on these days:

(a) Sunday;
(b) The first day of January, commonly called New Year's Day;
(c) The third Monday of January, celebrated as the anniversary of the birth of Martin Luther King, Jr.
(d) The third Monday in February, to be known as Presidents’ Day and celebrated as the anniversary of the births of Abraham Lincoln and George Washington;

(e) The last Monday in May, commonly known as Memorial Day;

(f) The fourth day of July, the anniversary of the Declaration of Independence;

(g) The first Monday in September, to be known as Labor Day;

(h) The eleventh day of November, to be known as Veterans’ Day;

(i) The fourth Thursday in November, commonly known as Thanksgiving Day;

(j) The Friday immediately following the fourth Thursday in November, to be known as Native American Heritage Day; and

(k) The twenty-fifth day of December, commonly called Christmas Day).

(2) No reduction from a teacher's time or salary may be made by reason of the fact that a school day happens to be one of the days referred to in this section as a day on which school is not taught.

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