SENATE BILL REPORT SB 5106

As of January 27, 2025

Title: An act relating to establishing Eid al-Fitr and Eid al-Adha as state holidays.

Brief Description: Establishing Eid al-Fitr and Eid al-Adha as state holidays.

Sponsors: Senators Trudeau, Warnick, Bateman, Chapman, Dhingra, Frame, Hasegawa, Lovelett, Nobles, Riccelli, Saldaña, Shewmake, Stanford and Wilson, C..

Brief History:

Committee Activity: State Government, Tribal Affairs & Elections: 1/28/25.

Brief Summary of Bill

• The state recognizes Eid al-Fitr and Eid al-Adha.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, TRIBAL AFFAIRS & ELECTIONS

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Background: <u>Eid al-Fitr.</u> Eid al-Fitr is the first of two official holidays celebrated within Islam worldwide. It marks the end of the month-long, dawn-to-dusk fasting of Ramadan. Eid al-Fitr falls on the first day of Shawwal in the lunar-cycle based Islamic calendar, which means it does not always fall on the same day of the Gregorian calendar from year to year.

<u>Eid al-Adha</u>. Eid al-Adha is the second of the two official holidays celebrated within Islam. It falls on the 10th of Dhu al-Hijjah, the twelfth and final month of the Islamic calendar. The date on the Gregorian calendar may shift by 10 to 11 days each year. Celebrations and observances are generally carried forward to the three following days, known as the Tashreeq days.

State Days of Recognition. There are 20 days, as declared by the Legislature, which are

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recognized but not considered paid legal holidays. This includes days commemorating specific events, groups of people, individuals, ideas, non-legal holidays, and federally recognized days.

Summary of Bill: The bill as referred to committee not considered.

Summary of Bill (Proposed Substitute): The Legislature declares that Eid al-Fitr and Eid al-Adha are recognized as nonlegal holidays.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Creates Committee/Commission/Task Force that includes Legislative members: No.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.