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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to attendance requirements for graduating
 2 secondary school pupils.
 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 279.10, subsection 1, Code 1993, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 1. The school year shall begin on the first day of July
4 and each regularly established elementary and secondary school
5 shall begin no sooner than a day during the calendar week in
6 which the first day of September falls but no later than the
7 first Monday in December. However, if the first day of
8 September falls on a Sunday, school may begin on a day during
9 the calendar week which immediately precedes the first day of
10 September. School shall continue for at least one hundred
11 eighty days, except as provided in subsection 3, and may be
12 maintained during the entire calendar year. However, if the
13 board of directors of a district extends the school calendar
14 because inclement weather caused the district to temporarily
15 close school during the regular school calendar, the district
16 may excuse a graduating senior who has met district or school
17 requirements for graduation from attendance during the
18 extended school calendar. A school corporation may begin
19 employment of personnel for in-service training and
20 development purposes before the date to begin elementary and
21 secondary school.

22 EXPLANATION

23 This bill permits a district to excuse a graduating senior
24 from attending school on a day or days added to the regular
25 school calendar to make up for school days lost when snow or
26 other inclement weather caused the district to close school.

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