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Abstract: Requires public school governing authorities to determine school-year calendars.

Present law authorizes a public school governing authority to adjust the number of instructional minutes and instructional days for the schools under their jurisdictions, provided the total number of instructional minutes per year is no less than the minimum number of instructional minutes per day (360) multiplied by the minimum number of instructional days (177) required by present law. Proposed law retains present law and further requires public school governing authorities to determine school-year calendars for the schools under their jurisdictions.

Present law authorizes public school governing authorities to have schools operating under year-round calendars, subject to approval by the State Bd. of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE). Proposed law repeals present law.

Proposed law prohibits BESE and the state Dept. of Education from requiring approval of school-year calendars and from setting school-year calendars for public schools.

(Adds R.S. 17:154.1(C) and 1945.3; Repeals R.S. 17:341-348)