

SB NO. 246 BY SENATOR JONES

HOLIDAYS. Makes Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday a legal holiday for public schools.

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

1. Adds provisions making the third Monday in February, the observance of President George Washington's birthday, a legal holiday for public schools.
2. Authorizes local school boards to observe this holiday during a regularly scheduled school day.

DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS IT LEFT THE SENATE

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DIGEST

Present law provides that the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Great American Day and Presidents' Day may be called as a holiday for public schools. Present law further provides that should local school boards exercise this option on a regularly scheduled school day, they may do so, with or without the necessity of adjourning school for all or any portion of the day.

Proposed law retains local school board option as provided in present law, and provides that the third Monday in January, the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., shall be a legal holiday for all public schools, deleting the designation of that same day as Great American Day and Presidents' Day.

(Amends R.S. 1:55(A)(6))

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