



General Assembly

January Session, 2025

Raised Bill No. 1228

LCO No. 3783



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:
(GAE)

***AN ACT DESIGNATING INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY AS A LEGAL
HOLIDAY.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 1-4 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

3 In each year the first day of January (known as New Year's Day), the
4 fifteenth day of January of each year prior to 1986, and commencing on
5 the twentieth day of January in 1986, the first Monday occurring on or
6 after January fifteenth (known as Martin Luther King, Jr. Day), the
7 twelfth day of February (known as Lincoln Day), the third Monday in
8 February (known as Washington's Birthday), the last Monday in May
9 (known as Memorial Day or Decoration Day), the nineteenth day of June
10 (known as Juneteenth Independence Day), the fourth day of July
11 (known as Independence Day), the first Monday in September (known
12 as Labor Day), the second Monday in October (known as Columbus
13 Day), the eleventh day of November (known as Veterans' Day), the ____
14 day of ____ (known as Indigenous Peoples' Day) and the twenty-fifth

15 day of December (known as Christmas) and any day appointed or
16 recommended by the Governor of this state or the President of the
17 United States as a day of thanksgiving, fasting or religious observance,
18 shall each be a legal holiday, except that whenever any of such days
19 which are not designated to occur on Monday, occurs upon a Sunday,
20 the Monday next following such day shall be a legal holiday and
21 whenever any of such days occurs upon a Saturday, the Friday
22 immediately preceding such day shall be a legal holiday. When any
23 such holiday, except holidays in January and December, occurs on a
24 school day, each local and regional board of education may close the
25 public schools under its jurisdiction for such day or hold a session of the
26 public schools on such day, provided, if a session is held, the board shall
27 require each school to hold a suitable nonsectarian educational program
28 in observance of such holiday. If a holiday in January or December
29 occurs on a school day, there shall be no session of the public schools on
30 such day.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>July 1, 2025</i>	1-4
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Statement of Purpose:

To designate Indigenous Peoples' Day as a legal holiday.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]