

General Assembly

January Session, 2025

Raised Bill No. 1228

GOVERNMENT

LCO No. **3783**

Referred to Committee on 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:

Section 1. Section 1-4 of the general statutes is repealed and the
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 immediately preceding such day shall be a legal holiday. When any 22 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:

Section 1	July 1, 2025	1-4

GAE Joint Favorable