Senate Substitute for HOUSE BILL No. 2155

An Act concerning school districts; providing for waivers from duration of the school term due to disaster.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) The state board of education may waive the requirements of law relating to the duration of the school term in any school year upon application for such waiver by a school district. The waiver may be granted by the state board of education upon: (1) Certification by a board of education that, due to disaster, conditions resulting from widespread or severe property damage caused by the disaster will exist in the school district for an inordinate period of time; and (2) a determination by the state board that the school district cannot reasonably adjust its schedule to comply with such requirements of law. The period of time school is not maintained during any school year due to conditions resulting from disaster, upon granting of the waiver by the state board of education, shall be considered a part of the school term.

(b) As used in this section, the term "disaster" means the occurrence of widespread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property resulting from any natural or manmade cause, including but not limited to fire, flood, earthquake, tornado, wind, storm, epidemics, air contamination, blight, drought, infestation, or explosion.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Kansas register.

I hereby certify that the above BILL originated in the HOUSE, and passed that body

HOUSE concurred in SENATE amendments	
	Speaker of the House.
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	Chief Clerk of the House.
Passed the SENATE as amended	
	President of the Senate.
	Secretary of the Senate.
Approved	

Governor.