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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

5 ILCS 490/66 new
10 ILCS 5/1-6
30 ILCS 500/15-45
105 ILCS 5/24-2
205 ILCS 630/17

from Ch. 17, par. 2201

Amends the State Commemorative Dates Act. Designates the Reverend Jesse Jackson's date of birth, the eighth day of October, as a legal holiday on which to hold appropriate exercises in commemoration of him. Provides that, when the eighth day of October falls on a Sunday, the following Monday shall be held and considered the holiday. Amends the Election Code, the Illinois Procurement Code, the School Code, and the Promissory Note and Bank Holiday Act to include Jesse Jackson's birthday as a holiday. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The State Commemorative Dates Act is amended by
5 adding Section 66 as follows:

6 (5 ILCS 490/66 new)

7 Sec. 66. Jesse Jackson's Birthday. The eighth day of
8 October of each year shall be a legal holiday to be known as
9 Jesse Jackson's Birthday to be observed as a day on which to
10 hold appropriate exercises in commemoration of the Illinoisan,
11 Baptist minister, and foremost national civil rights and
12 political figure. When the eighth day of October falls on a
13 Sunday, the following Monday shall be held and considered the
14 holiday.

15 Section 10. The Election Code is amended by changing
16 Section 1-6 as follows:

17 (10 ILCS 5/1-6)

18 Sec. 1-6. Computing dates of various acts; Saturday,
19 Sunday, and holidays.

20 (a) If the first or last day fixed by law to do any act
21 required or allowed by this Code falls on a State holiday or a

1 Saturday or a Sunday, the period shall extend through the
2 first business day next following the day otherwise fixed as
3 the first or last day, irrespective of whether any election
4 authority or local election official conducts business on the
5 State holiday, Saturday, or Sunday.

6 (b) For the purposes of this Section, "State holiday"
7 means New Year's Day, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday,
8 Lincoln's Birthday, President's Day, Casimir Pulaski's
9 Birthday, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Juneteenth National
10 Freedom Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Jesse Jackson's
11 Birthday, Columbus Day, Veterans' Day, Thanksgiving Day,
12 Christmas Day, and any other day from time to time declared by
13 the President of the United States or the Governor of Illinois
14 to be a day during which the agencies of the State of Illinois
15 that are ordinarily open to do business with the public shall
16 be closed for business.

17 (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code,
18 nominating papers, petitions of objection to nominating
19 papers, certificates of withdrawal of candidacy, and reports
20 of political committees actually received by election
21 authorities and local election officials on a State holiday, a
22 Saturday, or a Sunday shall not be deemed invalid or defective
23 for that reason alone.

24 (Source: P.A. 102-14, eff. 1-1-22; 102-334, eff. 8-9-21.)

25 Section 15. The Illinois Procurement Code is amended by

1 changing Section 15-45 as follows:

2 (30 ILCS 500/15-45)

3 Sec. 15-45. Computation of days. The time within which any
4 act provided in this Code is to be done shall be computed by
5 excluding the first day and including the last, unless the
6 last day is Saturday or Sunday or is a holiday, and then it
7 shall also be excluded. If the day succeeding a Saturday,
8 Sunday, or holiday is also a holiday, a Saturday, or a Sunday,
9 then that succeeding day shall also be excluded. For the
10 purposes of this Code, "holiday" means: New Year's Day; Dr.
11 Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday; Lincoln's Birthday;
12 President's Day; Memorial Day; Juneteenth National Freedom
13 Day; Independence Day; Labor Day; Jesse Jackson's Birthday;
14 Columbus Day; Veterans' Day; Thanksgiving Day; Christmas Day;
15 and any other day from time to time declared by the President
16 of the United States or the Governor of Illinois to be a day
17 during which the agencies of the State of Illinois that are
18 ordinarily open to do business with the public shall be closed
19 for business.

20 Notwithstanding any other provision of State law to the
21 contrary, November 3, 2020 shall be a State holiday known as
22 2020 General Election Day and shall be observed throughout the
23 State pursuant to this amendatory Act of the 101st General
24 Assembly.

25 (Source: P.A. 101-642, eff. 6-16-20; 102-14, eff. 1-1-22;

1 102-334, eff. 8-9-21.)

2 Section 20. The School Code is amended by changing Section
3 24-2 as follows:

4 (105 ILCS 5/24-2)

5 Sec. 24-2. Holidays.

6 (a) Teachers shall not be required to teach on Saturdays,
7 nor, except as provided in subsection (b) of this Section,
8 shall teachers, educational support personnel employees, or
9 other school employees, other than noncertificated school
10 employees whose presence is necessary because of an emergency
11 or for the continued operation and maintenance of school
12 facilities or property, be required to work on legal school
13 holidays, which are January 1, New Year's Day; the third
14 Monday in January, the Birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King,
15 Jr.; February 12, the Birthday of President Abraham Lincoln;
16 the first Monday in March (to be known as Casimir Pulaski's
17 birthday); Good Friday; the day designated as Memorial Day by
18 federal law; June 19, Juneteenth National Freedom Day; July 4,
19 Independence Day; the first Monday in September, Labor Day;
20 October 8, Jesse Jackson's Birthday; the second Monday in
21 October, Columbus Day; November 11, Veterans' Day; the
22 Thursday in November commonly called Thanksgiving Day; and
23 December 25, Christmas Day. School boards may grant special
24 holidays whenever in their judgment such action is advisable.

1 No deduction shall be made from the time or compensation of a
2 school employee, including an educational support personnel
3 employee, on account of any legal or special holiday in which
4 that employee would have otherwise been scheduled to work but
5 for the legal or special holiday.

6 (b) A school board or other entity eligible to apply for
7 waivers and modifications under Section 2-3.25g of this Code
8 is authorized to hold school or schedule teachers' institutes,
9 parent-teacher conferences, or staff development on the third
10 Monday in January (the Birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King,
11 Jr.); February 12 (the Birthday of President Abraham Lincoln);
12 the first Monday in March (known as Casimir Pulaski's
13 birthday); the second Monday in October (Columbus Day); and
14 November 11 (Veterans' Day), provided that:

15 (1) the person or persons honored by the holiday are
16 recognized through instructional activities conducted on
17 that day or, if the day is not used for student attendance,
18 on the first school day preceding or following that day;
19 and

20 (2) the entity that chooses to exercise this authority
21 first holds a public hearing about the proposal. The
22 entity shall provide notice preceding the public hearing
23 to both educators and parents. The notice shall set forth
24 the time, date, and place of the hearing, describe the
25 proposal, and indicate that the entity will take testimony
26 from educators and parents about the proposal.

1 (c) Commemorative holidays, which recognize specified
2 patriotic, civic, cultural or historical persons, activities,
3 or events, are regular school days. Commemorative holidays
4 are: January 17 (the birthday of Muhammad Ali), January 28 (to
5 be known as Christa McAuliffe Day and observed as a
6 commemoration of space exploration), February 15 (the birthday
7 of Susan B. Anthony), March 29 (Viet Nam War Veterans' Day),
8 the last Friday in April (Arbor and Bird Day), September 11
9 (September 11th Day of Remembrance), September 17
10 (Constitution Day), the school day immediately preceding
11 Veterans' Day (Korean War Veterans' Day), October 1 (Recycling
12 Day), October 7 (Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans Remembrance
13 Day), October 9 (Leif Erikson Day), the day immediately after
14 Thanksgiving (Native American Heritage Day), December 7 (Pearl
15 Harbor Veterans' Day), and any day so appointed by the
16 President or Governor. School boards may establish
17 commemorative holidays whenever in their judgment such action
18 is advisable. School boards may include instruction relative
19 to commemorated persons, activities, or events on the
20 commemorative holiday or at any other time during the school
21 year and at any point in the curriculum when such instruction
22 may be deemed appropriate. The State Board of Education may
23 prepare and make available to school boards instructional
24 materials relative to commemorated persons, activities, or
25 events which may be used by school boards in conjunction with
26 any instruction provided pursuant to this paragraph.

1 (d) City of Chicago School District 299 shall observe
2 March 4 of each year as a commemorative holiday. This holiday
3 shall be known as Mayors' Day which shall be a day to
4 commemorate and be reminded of the past Chief Executive
5 Officers of the City of Chicago, and in particular the late
6 Mayor Richard J. Daley and the late Mayor Harold Washington.
7 If March 4 falls on a Saturday or Sunday, Mayors' Day shall be
8 observed on the following Monday.

9 (e) Notwithstanding any other provision of State law to
10 the contrary, November 3, 2020 shall be a State holiday known
11 as 2020 General Election Day and shall be observed throughout
12 the State pursuant to Public Act 101-642. All government
13 offices, with the exception of election authorities, shall be
14 closed unless authorized to be used as a location for election
15 day services or as a polling place.

16 Notwithstanding any other provision of State law to the
17 contrary, November 8, 2022 shall be a State holiday known as
18 2022 General Election Day and shall be observed throughout the
19 State under Public Act 102-15.

20 Notwithstanding any other provision of State law to the
21 contrary, November 5, 2024 shall be a State holiday known as
22 2024 General Election Day and shall be observed throughout
23 this State pursuant to Public Act 103-467.

24 (Source: P.A. 103-15, eff. 7-1-23; 103-395, eff. 1-1-24;
25 103-467, eff. 8-4-23; 103-605, eff. 7-1-24; 104-391, eff.
26 8-15-25.)

1 Section 25. The Promissory Note and Bank Holiday Act is
2 amended by changing Section 17 as follows:

3 (205 ILCS 630/17) (from Ch. 17, par. 2201)

4 Sec. 17. Holidays.

5 (a) The following days shall be legal holidays in the
6 State of Illinois upon which day a bank may, but is not
7 required to, remain closed:

8 the first day of January (New Year's Day);

9 the third Monday in January (observance of Martin Luther
10 King, Jr.'s birthday);

11 the twelfth day in February (Abraham Lincoln's birthday);

12 the third Monday in February (Presidents Day);

13 the first Monday in March (observance of Casimir Pulaski's
14 birthday);

15 the Friday preceding Easter Sunday (Good Friday);

16 the last Monday of May (Memorial Day);

17 the nineteenth day of June (Juneteenth National Freedom
18 Day);

19 the fourth day of July (Independence Day);

20 the first Monday in September (Labor Day);

21 the eighth day of October (Jesse Jackson's Birthday);

22 the second Monday in October (Columbus Day);

23 the eleventh day of November (Veterans' Day);

24 the fourth Thursday in November (Thanksgiving Day);

1 the twenty-fifth day in December (Christmas Day);
2 the days upon which the general elections for members of
3 the House of Representatives are held, and any day proclaimed
4 by the Governor of this State as a legal holiday. From 12
5 o'clock noon to 12 o'clock midnight of each Saturday shall be
6 considered a half holiday. In addition to such holidays and
7 half-holidays, a bank may select one day of the week to remain
8 closed, as provided in subsection (b) of this Section.

9 (b) Any bank doing business within this State may select
10 any one day of the week to remain closed on a regular basis
11 upon adoption of a resolution by the board of directors of such
12 bank designating the day selected and upon filing and
13 publishing a copy of such resolution as hereinafter required.
14 Any such resolution shall be deemed effective for the purpose
15 of this Section only when a copy thereof, certified by an
16 officer having charge of the records of such bank, is filed
17 with the Recorder of the county in which such bank is located
18 and published once each week for 3 successive weeks in a
19 newspaper of general circulation in such county. Such
20 publication shall be accomplished by, and at the expense of,
21 the bank, and the bank shall submit to the Commissioner of
22 Banks and Real Estate such evidence of the publication as the
23 Commissioner shall deem appropriate. Any such selection shall
24 remain in full force and effect until a copy of the later
25 resolution of the board of directors of such bank, certified
26 in like manner, terminating or altering any such prior

1 selection shall be filed and published in the same manner as
2 such prior resolution.

3 (c) If an occasion arises when a state bank wishes to
4 remain closed on a particular day, other than a day on which
5 the bank has selected to remain closed on a regular basis as
6 provided in this Section, such state bank may remain closed on
7 such an occasion after first sending to the Commissioner a
8 copy of a resolution adopted by the board of directors
9 authorizing the bank to remain closed on such occasion and
10 notice of the intent to remain closed on such occasion shall be
11 conspicuously posted in the lobby of the main banking office
12 and any branches of such bank for at least 3 weeks in advance
13 of such occasion. Any day which any bank doing business within
14 the State shall select to remain closed pursuant to this
15 Section shall, with respect to such bank, be treated and
16 considered as a Sunday.

17 (d) All legal holidays, the half holidays and any day
18 selected by a bank doing business within the State to remain
19 closed, shall, for all purposes whatsoever, as regards the
20 presenting for payment or acceptance, the maturity and
21 protesting and giving of notice of the dishonor of bills of
22 exchange, bank checks and promissory notes and other
23 negotiable or commercial paper or instrument, be treated and
24 considered as a Sunday. When any such holidays, except
25 Juneteenth National Freedom Day, fall on Sunday, the Monday
26 next following shall be held and considered such holiday. All

1 notes, bills, drafts, checks or other evidence of
2 indebtedness, falling due or maturing on either of such days,
3 shall be deemed as due or maturing upon the day following, and
4 when 2 or more of these days come together, or immediately
5 succeeding each other, then such instruments, paper or
6 indebtedness shall be deemed as due or having matured on the
7 day following the last of such days.

8 (e) Any act authorized, required or permitted to be
9 performed at or by or with respect to any bank doing business
10 within the State on a day which it has selected to remain
11 closed under this Section may be so performed on the next
12 succeeding business day and no liability or loss of rights of
13 any kind shall result from such delay.

14 (f) Nothing in this Act shall in any manner affect the
15 validity of, or render void or voidable, the payment,
16 certification, or acceptance of a check or other negotiable
17 instrument, or any other transaction by a bank in this State,
18 because done or performed on any Saturday, Sunday, holiday, or
19 any day selected by a bank to remain closed, or during any time
20 other than regular banking hours; but no bank in this State,
21 which by law or custom is entitled to remain open or to close
22 for the whole or any part of any day selected by it to remain
23 open or to close, is compelled to close, or to remain open for
24 the transaction of business or to perform any of the acts or
25 transactions aforesaid except at its own option.

26 (Source: P.A. 102-14, eff. 1-1-22; 102-334, eff. 8-9-21.)

1 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
2 becoming law.