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To amend section 3313.482 of the Revised Code to 1  
permanently permit school districts to make up 2  
excess calamity days by adding hours to remaining 3  
days in the school year and to declare an 4  
emergency. 5

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That section 3313.482 of the Revised Code be 6  
amended to read as follows: 7

**Sec. 3313.482.** (A) Annually, prior to the first day of 8  
September, the board of education of each city, local, and 9  
exempted village school district shall adopt a resolution 10  
specifying a contingency plan under which the district's students 11  
will make up days on which it was necessary to close schools for 12  
any of the reasons specified in division (B) of section 3317.01 of 13  
the Revised Code, if any such days must be made up in order to 14  
comply with the requirements of that section and sections 3313.48 15  
and 3313.481 of the Revised Code. The resolution shall provide in 16  
the plan for making up at least five full school days. No 17  
resolution adopted pursuant to this division shall conflict with 18  
any collective bargaining agreement into which a board has entered 19

pursuant to Chapter 4117. of the Revised Code and that is in 20  
effect in the district. 21

~~(b)~~(B) Notwithstanding the content of the contingency plan it 22  
adopts under division (A) of this section, if a school district 23  
closes or evacuates any school building for any of the reasons 24  
specified in division (B) of section 3317.01 of the Revised Code, 25  
or as a result of a bomb threat or any other report of an alleged 26  
or impending explosion, and if, as a result of the closing or 27  
evacuation, the school district would be unable to meet the 28  
requirements of sections 3313.48, 3313.481, and 3317.01 of the 29  
Revised Code regarding the number of days schools must be open for 30  
instruction or the requirements of the state minimum standards for 31  
the school day that are established by the department of education 32  
regarding the number of hours there must be in the school day, the 33  
school district may increase the length of one or more other 34  
school days for the school that was closed or evacuated, in 35  
increments of one-half hour, to make up the number of hours or 36  
days that the school building in question was so closed or 37  
evacuated for the purpose of satisfying the requirements of those 38  
sections regarding the number of days schools must be open for 39  
instruction or the requirements of those standards regarding the 40  
number of hours there must be in the school day. Notwithstanding 41  
the provisions of sections 3313.48, 3313.481, and 3317.01 of the 42  
Revised Code and the requirements of the state minimum standards 43  
for the school day that are established by the department of 44  
education and notwithstanding the content of the contingency plan 45  
it adopts under division (A) of this section, a school district 46  
that makes up, as described in this division, all of the hours or 47  
days that its school buildings were so closed or evacuated shall 48  
be deemed to have complied with the requirements of those sections 49  
regarding the number of days schools must be open for instruction 50  
and the requirements of those minimum standards regarding the 51  
number of hours there must be in the school day. 52

**Section 2.** That existing section 3313.482 of the Revised Code 53  
is hereby repealed. 54

**Section 3.** This act is hereby declared to be an emergency 55  
measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public 56  
peace, health and safety. The reason for such necessity is that 57  
school districts need the option provided by this act to make up 58  
days missed in the current school year due to hazardous weather 59  
conditions in excess of the number of days permitted by law. 60  
Therefore, this act shall go into immediate effect. 61