

Juneteenth Observance Amendments

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STATE OF UTAH

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LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill modifies the day on which Juneteenth National Freedom Day is recognized in Utah.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- provides that Juneteenth National Freedom Day will be recognized in Utah on the same day as the holiday is recognized by the federal government; and
- amends parent-time schedules in relation to Juneteenth National Freedom Day.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

This bill provides a special effective date.

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

63G-1-301, as repealed and reenacted by Laws of Utah 2025, Chapter 448

81-9-302, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapter 366

81-9-303, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2025, Chapter 426

81-9-304, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapter 366

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **63G-1-301** is amended to read:

63G-1-301 . Legal holidays -- Personal preference day -- Governor authorized to declare additional legal holidays.

(1) The following days are legal holidays in Utah:

(a) except as provided in Subsection [~~(2)(a) or (b)~~] (2):

- 29 (i) January 1, New Year's Day;
 30 (ii) June 19, Juneteenth National Freedom Day;
 31 [~~(ii)~~] (iii) July 4, Independence Day;
 32 [~~(iii)~~] (iv) July 24, Pioneer Day;
 33 [~~(iv)~~] (v) November 11, Veterans Day;
 34 [~~(v)~~] (vi) December 25, Christmas; and
 35 [~~(vi)~~] (vii) a day designated by proclamation issued by the president of the United
 36 States or the governor as a day of fasting or thanksgiving;
- 37 (b)(i) the first Sunday after the first full moon that occurs on or after the spring
 38 equinox, Easter Sunday;
 39 (ii) the third Monday of January, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day;
 40 (iii) the third Monday of February, Washington and Lincoln Day;
 41 (iv) the last Monday of May, Memorial Day;
 42 (v) the first Monday of September, Labor Day;
 43 (vi) the second Monday of October, Columbus Day; and
 44 (vii) the fourth Thursday of November, Thanksgiving Day; and
 45 [~~(viii) except as provided in Subsection (2)(c) or (d), June 19, Juneteenth National~~
 46 ~~Freedom Day; and]~~
- 47 (c) except as provided in Subsection (3), every Sunday.
- 48 (2)(a) If a day described in Subsection (1)(a) falls on a Saturday, the preceding Friday is
 49 the legal holiday.
- 50 (b) If a day described in Subsection (1)(a) falls on a Sunday, the following Monday is
 51 the legal holiday.
- 52 [~~(c) If June 19 falls on a Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday, the preceding~~
 53 ~~Monday is the legal holiday.]~~
- 54 [~~(d) If June 19 falls on Saturday or Sunday, the following Monday is the legal holiday.]~~
- 55 (3) For purposes of Utah Constitution, Article VI, Section 16, Subsection (1), regarding the
 56 exclusion of state holidays from the 45-day legislative general session, Sunday is not
 57 considered a state holiday.
- 58 (4) Each employee may select one additional day, called Personal Preference Day, to be
 59 scheduled in accordance with rules made, in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah
 60 Administrative Rulemaking Act, by the Division of Human Resource Management,
 61 which the employee may use to observe a state holy day, as described in Section
 62 63G-1-1101, or any other day the employee chooses to recognize.

- 63 (5)(a) If, in the governor's opinion, extraordinary conditions exist justifying the action,
64 the governor may:
- 65 (i) declare, by proclamation, legal holidays in addition to those legal holidays
66 described in Subsections (1) and (2); or
67 (ii) limit the legal holidays described in Subsection (5)(a)(i) to certain classes of
68 business and activities to be designated by the governor.
- 69 (b) Except as provided in Subsection (5)(c), a legal holiday described in Subsection
70 (5)(a) may not extend for a longer period than 60 consecutive days.
- 71 (c) The governor may, by proclamation:
- 72 (i) renew a legal holiday described in Subsection (5)(a) for one or more periods not
73 exceeding 30 days each as the governor determines necessary; or
74 (ii) terminate a legal holiday described under Subsection (5)(a) or (b) earlier than the
75 time period described in a preceding proclamation.
- 76 Section 2. Section **81-9-302** is amended to read:
- 77 **81-9-302 . Minimum schedule for parent-time for a minor child five to 18 years**
78 **old.**
- 79 (1) The parent-time schedule in this section applies to a minor child who is five to 18 years
80 old.
- 81 (2) If the parties do not agree to a parent-time schedule for a minor child described in
82 Subsection (1), the following schedule is considered the minimum parent-time to which
83 the noncustodial parent is entitled to the minor child:
- 84 (a)(i) one weekday evening to be specified by the noncustodial parent or the court or
85 Wednesday evening if not specified, beginning at 5:30 p.m. and ending at 8:30
86 p.m.; or
87 (ii) at the election of the noncustodial parent, one weekday to be specified by the
88 noncustodial parent or the court:
- 89 (A) beginning at the time that the minor child's school is regularly dismissed and
90 ending at 8:30 p.m.; or
91 (B) if school is not in session, the noncustodial parent is available to be with the
92 minor child, and in accommodation with the custodial parent's work schedule,
93 beginning at 9 a.m. and ending at 8:30 p.m.;
- 94 (b)(i) beginning on the first weekend after entry of the decree, alternating weekends
95 beginning at 6 p.m. on Friday and ending on Sunday at 7 p.m.; or
96 (ii) at the election of the noncustodial parent and beginning on the first weekend after

97 the entry of the decree, alternating weekends:

98 (A) beginning at the time that the minor child's school is regularly dismissed on
99 Friday and ending on Sunday at 7 p.m.; or

100 (B) if school is not in session, the noncustodial parent is available to be with the
101 minor child, and in accommodation with the custodial parent's work schedule,
102 beginning on Friday at 9 a.m. and ending on Sunday at 7 p.m.;

103 (c) each holiday granted to the noncustodial parent in accordance with the holiday
104 schedule described in Subsection (12); and

105 (d) extended parent-time with the minor child when school is not in session for summer
106 break in accordance with Subsection (3).

107 (3)(a) For extended parent-time with the minor child under Subsection (2)(d) and at the
108 election of the noncustodial parent, the noncustodial parent is entitled up to four
109 weeks of parent-time with the minor child, which may be consecutive, when school is
110 not in session for summer break.

111 (b) For the four weeks of extended parent-time for a noncustodial parent under
112 Subsection (3)(a):

113 (i) two weeks, which may be consecutive, shall be uninterrupted parent-time for the
114 noncustodial parent; and

115 (ii) two weeks, which may be consecutive, may be interrupted by the custodial parent
116 for a weekday visit on the same day on which the noncustodial parent is granted
117 weekday day parent-time.

118 (c) A custodial parent is entitled to uninterrupted parent-time with the minor child for
119 two weeks, which may be consecutive, when school is not in session for summer
120 break.

121 (4)(a) Each parent shall provide notification to the other parent of the parent's plans for
122 the exercise of extended parent-time for summer break under Subsection (3).

123 (b) For the notification requirement under Subsection (4)(a):

124 (i) in odd-numbered years:

125 (A) the noncustodial parent shall provide notice to the custodial parent by May 1;
126 and

127 (B) the custodial parent shall provide notice to the noncustodial parent by May 15;
128 and

129 (ii) in even-numbered years:

130 (A) the custodial parent shall provide notice to the noncustodial parent by May 1;

- 131 and
- 132 (B) the noncustodial parent shall provide notice to the custodial parent by May 15.
- 133 (c)(i) If a parent fails to provide a notification within the time periods described in
- 134 Subsection (4)(b), the complying parent may determine the schedule for summer
- 135 break for the noncomplying parent.
- 136 (ii) If both parents fail to provide notice within the time periods described in
- 137 Subsection (4)(b), the first parent to provide notice may determine the schedule
- 138 for summer break for the other parent.
- 139 (d) If a custodial parent intends to interrupt a noncustodial parent's parent-time under
- 140 Subsection (3)(b)(ii), the custodial parent shall provide notification to the
- 141 noncustodial parent of the intent to interrupt parent-time within 10 days after the day
- 142 on which the custodial parent receives notification of the noncustodial parent's plans
- 143 for the exercise of interrupted extended parent-time.
- 144 (5)(a) An election should be made by the noncustodial parent at the time of entry of the
- 145 divorce decree or court order, except that the election may be changed by mutual
- 146 agreement, court order, or by the noncustodial parent in the event of a change in the
- 147 minor child's schedule.
- 148 (b) An election by either parent concerning parent-time shall be made a part of the
- 149 decree and made a part of the parent-time order.
- 150 (6)(a) Changes may not be made to the parent-time schedule under this section, except
- 151 that if a conflict arises in the parent-time schedule, the following order of precedence
- 152 shall be applied when determining which parent is entitled to parent-time:
- 153 (i) the holiday schedule for Mother's Day or Father's Day under Subsection (12);
- 154 (ii) the holiday schedule for the minor child's birthday, unless a parent is exercising
- 155 uninterrupted extended parent-time under Subsection (3) and takes the minor child
- 156 away from that parent's residence during the uninterrupted extended parent-time;
- 157 (iii) the holiday schedule for any holiday under Subsection (12) that is not Father's
- 158 Day, Mother's Day, or the minor child's birthday;
- 159 (iv) extended parent-time under Subsection (3); and
- 160 (v) the schedule for weekday or weekend parent-time.
- 161 (b) A parent exercising parent-time for the minor child's birthday may bring other
- 162 siblings along for the minor child's birthday.
- 163 (7) A stepparent, grandparent, or other responsible adult designated by the noncustodial
- 164 parent, may pick up the minor child for parent-time if the custodial parent is aware of

165 the identity of the individual and the noncustodial parent will be with the minor child by
 166 7 p.m.

167 (8) If a holiday falls on a regularly scheduled school day, the parent exercising parent-time
 168 shall be responsible for the minor child's attendance at school for that school day.

169 (9) If there is more than one minor child and the minor children's school schedules vary for
 170 purpose of a holiday, at the option of the parent exercising the holiday or the parent's
 171 half of the holiday, the minor children may remain together for the holiday period
 172 beginning the first evening that all minor children's schools are dismissed for the holiday
 173 and ending the evening before any minor child returns to school.

174 (10)(a) Telephone contact shall be at reasonable hours and for a reasonable duration.

175 (b)(i) Virtual parent-time, if the equipment is reasonably available and the parents
 176 reside at least 100 miles apart, shall be at reasonable hours and for reasonable
 177 duration.

178 (ii) If the parties cannot agree on whether the equipment is reasonably available, the
 179 court shall decide whether the equipment for virtual parent-time is reasonably
 180 available, taking into consideration:

181 (A) the best interests of the minor child;

182 (B) each parent's ability to handle any additional expenses for virtual parent-time;

183 and

184 (C) any other factors the court considers material.

185 (c) Virtual parent-time supplements, but does not replace, in-person parent-time.

186 (11) If there is a minor child five to 18 years old and a minor child under five years old and
 187 both minor children are the children of the parties, the parents and the court should
 188 consider an upward deviation for parent-time with all the minor children so that
 189 parent-time is uniform based on a schedule under this section.

190 (12) The following table is the holiday schedule for parent-time under this section.

Holiday	Holiday Time Period	Years Noncustodial Parent is Granted Holiday	Years Custodial Parent is Granted Holiday
191 192 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day	(1) Holiday begins Friday at:(a) 9 a.m. if school is not in session and the parent can be with the minor child;	Odd years	Even years

		(b) the time that school is regularly dismissed; or (c) 6 p.m. at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends at 7 p.m. on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day.		
193	President's Day	(1) Holiday begins Friday at: (a) 9 a.m. if school is not in session and the parent can be with the minor child; (b) the time that school is regularly dismissed; or (c) 6 p.m. at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends at 7 p.m. on the day before school resumes.	Even years	Odd years
194	Spring Break	(1) Holiday begins at 6 p.m. on the day that school dismisses for spring break. (2) Holiday ends at 7 p.m. on the day before school resumes.	Odd years	Even years
195	Memorial Day	(1) Holiday begins Friday at: (a) 9 a.m. if school is not in session and the parent can be with the minor child; (b) the time that school is regularly dismissed; or (c) 6 p.m. at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends at 7 p.m. on Memorial Day.	Even years	Odd years
196	Mother's Day	(1) Holiday begins on Mother's Day at 9 a.m. (2) Holiday ends on Mother's Day at 7 p.m.	All years if noncustodial parent is the mother or other parent granted	All years if custodial parent is the mother or other parent granted the holiday in the order.

			the holiday in the order.	
197	Father's Day	(1) Holiday begins on Father's Day at 9 a.m. (2) Holiday ends on Father's Day at 7 p.m.	All years if noncustodial parent is the father or other parent granted the holiday in the order.	All years if custodial parent is the father or other parent granted the holiday in the order.
198	Juneteenth National Freedom Day	<p>[(1) Holiday begins at:</p> <p>(a) 6 p.m. on the day before Juneteenth National Freedom Day if the day before Juneteenth National Freedom Day is not Father's Day; or</p> <p>(b) 9 a.m. on Juneteenth National Freedom Day if the day before Juneteenth National Freedom Day is Father's Day.</p> <p>(2) Holiday ends at 6 p.m. on the day following Juneteenth National Freedom Day.]</p> <p><u>(1) Holiday begins on June 18th at 7 p.m. and ends on June 20th at 7 p.m., if Father's Day is on a day other than June 19th or June 20th.</u></p> <p><u>(2) Holiday begins on June 18th at 7 p.m. and ends on June 20th at 9 a.m., if Father's Day is on June 20th.</u></p> <p><u>(3) Holiday begins on June 19th at 7 p.m. and ends on June 20th at 7 p.m., if Father's Day is on June 19th.</u></p>	Even years	Odd years
199	Independence Day	(1) Holiday begins on July 3rd at 6 p.m. (2) Holiday ends on July 5th at 6 p.m.	Odd years	Even years

200	Pioneer Day	(1) Holiday begins on July 23rd at 6 p.m. (2) Holiday ends on July 25th at 6 p.m.	Even years	Odd years
201	Labor Day	(1) Holiday begins on Friday at: (a) 9 a.m. if school is not in session and the parent can be with the minor child; (b) the time that school is regularly dismissed; or (c) 6 p.m. at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends at 7 p.m. on Labor Day.	Odd years	Even years
202	Columbus Day	(1) Holiday begins at 6 p.m. on the day before Columbus Day. (2) Holiday ends at 7 p.m. on Columbus Day.	Even years	Odd years
203	Fall Break	(1) Holiday begins at 6 p.m. on the day school is dismissed for fall break. (2) Holiday ends at 7 p.m. on the day before school resumes.	Odd years	Even years
204	Halloween	(1) Holiday begins on October 31st or the day that Halloween is traditionally celebrated in the local community: (a) at the time that school is dismissed; or (b) at 4 p.m. if there is no school. (2) Holiday ends at 9 p.m. on the same day the holiday begins.	Even years	Odd years
205	Veterans Day	(1) Holiday begins at 6 p.m. on the day before Veterans Day. (2) Holiday ends at 7 p.m. on Veterans Day.	Odd years	Even years
206	Thanksgiving	(1) Holiday begins on Wednesday at:	Even years	Odd years

		(a) 6 p.m.; or (b) the time school is regularly dismissed for Thanksgiving at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends at 7 p.m. on the day before school resumes.		
207	Winter Break (First Half)	(1) Holiday begins at: (a) 6 p.m. on the day on that school dismisses for winter break; or (b) the time school is regularly dismissed on the day that school dismisses for winter break at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends on December 27th at 7 p.m.	Odd years	Even years
208	Winter Break (Second Half)	(1) Holiday begins on December 27th at 7 p.m. (2) Holiday ends at 7 p.m. on the day before school resumes.	Even years	Odd years
209	Day of Minor Child's Birthday	(1) Holiday begins at 3 p.m. (2) Holiday ends at 9 p.m.	Even years	Odd years
210	Day Before or After Minor Child's Birthday	(1) Holiday begins at 3 p.m. (2) Holiday ends at 9 p.m.	Odd years	Even years

211 Section 3. Section **81-9-303** is amended to read:

212 **81-9-303 . Optional schedule for parent-time for a minor child five to 18 years**

213 **old.**

214 (1)(a) The optional parent-time schedule in this section applies to a minor child who is
215 five to 18 years old.

216 (b) For purposes of calculating child support, the optional parent-time schedule in this
217 section is 145 overnights.

218 (c) Any impact on child support shall be consistent with joint physical custody.

- 219 (2) The parents and the court may consider the increased parent-time schedule in this
220 section as a minimum parent-time schedule when the parties agree or the noncustodial
221 parent can demonstrate:
- 222 (a) the noncustodial parent has been actively involved in the minor child's life;
 - 223 (b) the parties can communicate effectively regarding the minor child or the
224 noncustodial parent has a plan to accomplish effective communications regarding the
225 minor child;
 - 226 (c) the noncustodial parent has the ability to facilitate the increased parent-time;
 - 227 (d) the increased parent-time would be in the best interest of the minor child; and
 - 228 (e) any other factor the court considers relevant.
- 229 (3) In determining whether a noncustodial parent has been actively involved in the minor
230 child's life, the court shall consider:
- 231 (a) demonstrated responsibility in caring for the minor child;
 - 232 (b) involvement in childcare;
 - 233 (c) presence or volunteer efforts in the minor child's school and at extracurricular
234 activities;
 - 235 (d) assistance with the minor child's homework;
 - 236 (e) involvement in preparation of meals, bath time, and bedtime for the minor child;
 - 237 (f) bonding with the minor child; and
 - 238 (g) any other factor the court considers relevant.
- 239 (4) In determining whether a noncustodial parent has the ability to facilitate the increased
240 parent-time, the court shall consider:
- 241 (a) the geographic distance between the residences of the parents and the distance
242 between the parents' residences and the minor child's school;
 - 243 (b) the noncustodial parent's ability to assist with after school care;
 - 244 (c) the health of the minor child and the noncustodial parent in accordance with
245 Subsection 81-9-204(4);
 - 246 (d) flexibility of employment or another schedule of the noncustodial parent;
 - 247 (e) ability to provide appropriate playtime with the minor child;
 - 248 (f) history and ability of the noncustodial parent to implement a flexible schedule for the
249 minor child;
 - 250 (g) physical facilities of the noncustodial parent's residence; and
 - 251 (h) any other factor the court considers relevant.
- 252 (5) If the parties agree or the court enters an order for the optional parent-time schedule

- 253 under this section, a parenting plan in compliance with Section 81-9-203 shall be filed
254 with any order incorporating the optional parent-time schedule described in Subsection
255 (6).
- 256 (6) The following schedule is considered the optional parent-time to which the noncustodial
257 parent is entitled to the minor child:
- 258 (a)(i) one weekday evening to be specified by the noncustodial parent or the court or
259 Wednesday evening if not specified, beginning at 5:30 p.m. and ending the
260 following day upon delivering the minor child to school or at 8 a.m. if there is no
261 school; or
- 262 (ii) at the election of the noncustodial parent, one weekday specified by the
263 noncustodial parent or the court:
- 264 (A) beginning at the time the minor child's school is regularly dismissed until the
265 following day upon delivering the minor child to school or at 8 a.m. if there is
266 no school; or
- 267 (B) if there is no school, the noncustodial parent is available to be with the minor
268 child, and in accommodation with the custodial parent's work schedule,
269 beginning at 8 a.m. and ending on the following day upon delivering the minor
270 child to school or at 8 a.m. if there is no school;
- 271 (b)(i) beginning the first weekend after the entry of the decree, alternating weekends
272 beginning at 6 p.m. on Friday and ending on Monday upon delivering the minor
273 child to school or at 8 a.m. if there is no school; or
- 274 (ii) at the election of the noncustodial parent, beginning the first weekend after the
275 entry of the decree, alternating weekends:
- 276 (A) beginning at the time the minor child's school is regularly dismissed on Friday
277 and ending on Monday upon delivering the minor child to school or at 8 a.m. if
278 there is no school; or
- 279 (B) if there is no school, the noncustodial parent is available to be with the minor
280 child, and in accommodation with the custodial parent's work schedule,
281 beginning on Friday at 9 a.m. and ending on Monday upon delivering the
282 minor child to school or at 8 a.m. if there is no school;
- 283 (c) each holiday granted to the noncustodial parent in accordance with the holiday
284 schedule described in Subsection (15); and
- 285 (d) extended parent-time with the minor child when school is not in session for summer
286 break in accordance with Subsection (7).

- 287 (7)(a) For extended parent-time with the minor child under Subsection (6)(d) and at the
288 election of the noncustodial parent, the noncustodial parent is entitled up to four
289 weeks of parent-time with the minor child, which may be consecutive, when school is
290 not in session for summer break.
- 291 (b) For the four weeks of extended parent-time for a noncustodial parent under
292 Subsection (7)(a):
- 293 (i) two weeks, which may be consecutive, shall be uninterrupted parent-time for the
294 noncustodial parent; and
- 295 (ii) two weeks, which may be consecutive, may be interrupted by the custodial parent
296 for a weekday visit on the same day on which the noncustodial parent is granted
297 weekday day parent-time.
- 298 (c) A custodial parent is entitled to uninterrupted parent-time with the minor child for
299 two weeks, which may be consecutive, when school is not in session for summer
300 break.
- 301 (8)(a) Each parent shall provide notification to the other parent of the parent's plans for
302 the exercise of parent-time for summer break under Subsection (7).
- 303 (b) For the notification requirement under Subsection (8)(a):
- 304 (i) in odd-numbered years:
- 305 (A) the noncustodial parent shall provide notice to the custodial parent by May 1;
306 and
- 307 (B) the custodial parent shall provide notice to the noncustodial parent by May 15;
308 and
- 309 (ii) in even-numbered years:
- 310 (A) the custodial parent shall provide notice to the noncustodial parent by May 1;
311 and
- 312 (B) the noncustodial parent shall provide notice to the custodial parent by May 15.
- 313 (c)(i) If a parent fails to provide a notification within the time periods described in
314 Subsection (8)(b), the complying parent may determine the schedule for summer
315 break for the noncomplying parent.
- 316 (ii) If both parents fail to provide notice within the time periods described in
317 Subsection (8)(b), the first parent to provide notice may determine the schedule
318 for summer break for the other parent.
- 319 (d) If a custodial parent intends to interrupt a noncustodial parent's parent-time under
320 Subsection (7)(b)(ii), the custodial parent shall provide notification to the

321 noncustodial parent of the intent to interrupt parent-time within 10 days after the day
322 on which the custodial parent receives notification of the noncustodial parent's plans
323 for the exercise of interrupted extended parent-time.

324 (9)(a) An election should be made by the noncustodial parent at the time of entry of the
325 divorce decree or court order, except that the election may be changed by mutual
326 agreement, court order, or by the noncustodial parent in the event of a change in the
327 minor child's schedule.

328 (b) An election by either parent concerning parent-time shall be made a part of the
329 decree and made a part of the parent-time order.

330 (10)(a) Changes may not be made to the parent-time schedule under this section, except
331 that if a conflict arises in the parent-time schedule, the following order of precedence
332 shall be applied when determining which parent is entitled to parent-time:

333 (i) the holiday schedule for Mother's Day or Father's Day under Subsection (15);

334 (ii) the holiday schedule for the minor child's birthday, unless a parent is exercising
335 uninterrupted extended parent-time under Subsection (7) and takes the minor child
336 away from that parent's residence during the uninterrupted extended parent-time;

337 (iii) the holiday schedule for any holiday under Subsection (15) that is not Father's
338 Day, Mother's Day, or the minor child's birthday;

339 (iv) extended parent-time under Subsection (7); and

340 (v) the schedule for weekday or weekend parent-time.

341 (b) A parent exercising parent-time for the minor child's birthday may bring other
342 siblings along for the minor child's birthday.

343 (11) A stepparent, grandparent, or other responsible adult designated by the noncustodial
344 parent, may pick up the minor child for parent-time if the custodial parent is aware of
345 the identity of the individual and the noncustodial parent will be with the minor child by
346 7 p.m.

347 (12) If a holiday falls on a regularly scheduled school day, the parent exercising parent-time
348 shall be responsible for the minor child's attendance at school for that school day.

349 (13) If there is more than one minor child and the minor children's school schedules vary
350 for purpose of a holiday, at the option of the parent exercising the holiday or the parent's
351 half of the holiday, the minor children may remain together for the holiday period
352 beginning the first evening that all minor children's schools are dismissed for the holiday
353 and ending the evening before any minor child returns to school.

354 (14) If there is a minor child five to 18 years old and a minor child under five years old and

355 both minor children are the children of the parties, the parents and the court should
 356 consider an upward deviation for parent-time with all the minor children so that
 357 parent-time is uniform based on a schedule under this section.

358 (15) The following table is the holiday schedule for parent-time under this section.

Holiday	Holiday Time Period	Years Noncustodial Parent is Granted Holiday	Years Custodial Parent is Granted Holiday
360 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day	(1) Holiday begins Friday at:(a) 9 a.m. if school is not in session and the parent can be with the minor child; (b) the time that school is regularly dismissed; or (c) 6 p.m. at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends: (a) upon delivering of the minor child to school on the day following Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day; or (b) at 8 a.m. on the day following Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day if there is no school.	Odd years	Even years
361 President's Day	(1) Holiday begins Friday at: (a) 9 a.m. if school is not in session and the parent can be with the minor child; (b) the time that school is regularly dismissed; or (c) 6 p.m. at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends: (a) upon delivering the minor child to school on the day following President's Day; or	Even years	Odd years

		(b) at 8 a.m. on the day following President's Day if there is no school.		
362	Spring Break	(1) Holiday begins at 6 p.m. on the day that school dismisses for spring break. (2) Holiday ends: (a) upon delivering the minor child to school on the day following the end of spring break; or (b) at 8 a.m. on the day following the end of spring break if there is no school.	Odd years	Even years
363	Memorial Day	(1) Holiday begins Friday at: (a) 9 a.m. if school is not in session and the parent can be with the minor child; (b) the time that school is regularly dismissed; or (c) 6 p.m. at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends: (a) upon delivering the minor child to school on the day following Memorial Day; or (b) at 8 a.m. on the day following Memorial Day if there is no school.	Even years	Odd years
364	Mother's Day	(1) Holiday begins on Mother's Day at 9 a.m. (2) Holiday ends on Mother's Day at 7 p.m.	All years if noncustodial parent is the mother or other parent designated in the order.	All years if custodial parent is the mother or other parent designated in the order.
365	Father's Day	(1) Holiday begins on Father's Day at 9 a.m. (2) Holiday ends on Father's Day at 7 p.m.	All years if noncustodial parent is the father or other parent	All years if custodial parent is the father or other parent

		designated in the order.	designated in the order.
366	<p>Juneteenth National Freedom Day</p> <p>[(1) Holiday begins at: (a) 6 p.m. on the day before Juneteenth National Freedom Day if the day before Juneteenth National Freedom Day is not Father's Day; or (b) 9 a.m. on Juneteenth National Freedom Day if the day before Juneteenth National Freedom Day is Father's Day. (2) Holiday ends at 6 p.m. on the day following Juneteenth National Freedom Day.] <u>(1) Holiday begins on June 18th at 7 p.m. and ends on June 20th at 7 p.m., if Father's Day is on a day other than June 19th or June 20th.</u> <u>(2) Holiday begins on June 18th at 7 p.m. and ends on June 20th at 9 a.m., if Father's Day is on June 20th.</u> <u>(3) Holiday begins on June 19th at 7 p.m. and ends on June 20th at 7 p.m., if Father's Day is on June 19th.</u></p>	Even years	Odd years
367	<p>Independence Day</p> <p>(1) Holiday begins on July 3rd at 6 p.m. (2) Holiday ends on July 5th at 6 p.m.</p>	Odd years	Even years
368	<p>Pioneer Day</p> <p>(1) Holiday begins on July 23rd at 6 p.m. (2) Holiday ends on July 25th at 6 p.m.</p>	Even years	Odd years
369	<p>Labor Day</p> <p>(1) Holiday begins Friday at: (a) 9 a.m. if school is not in session and the parent can be with the minor child; (b) the time that school is regularly dismissed; or</p>	Odd years	Even years

		(c) 6 p.m. at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends: (a) upon delivering the minor child to school on the day following Labor Day; or (b) at 8 a.m. on the day following Labor Day if there is no school.		
370	Columbus Day	(1) Holiday begins at 6 p.m. on the day before Columbus Day. (2) Holiday ends at 7 p.m. on Columbus Day.	Even years	Odd years
371	Fall Break	(1) Holiday begins at 6 p.m. on the day school is dismissed for fall break. (2) Holiday ends: (a) upon delivering the minor child to school on the day following the end of fall break; or (b) at 8 a.m. on the day following the end of fall break if there is no school.	Odd years	Even years
372	Halloween	(1) Holiday begins on October 31st or the day that Halloween is traditionally celebrated in the local community: (a) at the time that school is dismissed; or (b) at 4 p.m. if there is no school. (2) Holiday ends at 9 p.m. on the same day the holiday begins.	Even years	Odd years
373	Veterans Day	(1) Holiday begins at 6 p.m. on the day before Veterans Day. (2) Holiday ends at 7 p.m. on Veterans Day.	Odd years	Even years
374	Thanksgiving	(1) Holiday begins on Wednesday at:	Even years	Odd years

		(a) 6 p.m.; or (b) the time school is regularly dismissed for Thanksgiving at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends: (a) upon delivering the minor child to school on the Monday following Thanksgiving; or (b) at 8 a.m. on the Monday following Thanksgiving if there is no school.		
375	Winter Break (First Half)	(1) Holiday begins at: (a) 6 p.m. on the day that school dismisses for winter break; or (b) the time school is regularly dismissed on the day that school dismisses for winter break at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends on December 27th at 7 p.m.	Odd years	Even years
376	Winter Break (Second Half)	(1) Holiday begins on December 27th at 7 p.m. (2) Holiday ends upon delivering the minor child to school on the day that school resumes after the winter break.	Even years	Odd years
377	Day of Minor Child's Birthday	(1) Holiday begins at 3 p.m. (2) Holiday ends at 9 p.m.	Even years	Odd years
378	Day Before or After Minor Child's Birthday	(1) Holiday begins at 3 p.m. (2) Holiday ends at 9 p.m.	Odd years	Even years

379 Section 4. Section **81-9-304** is amended to read:

380 **81-9-304 . Minimum schedule for parent-time for a minor child under five years**

381 **old.**

382 (1) The parent-time schedule in this section applies to a minor child who is younger than

- 383 five years old.
- 384 (2) If the parties do not agree to a parent-time schedule, the schedules in Subsections (3)
385 through (8) are considered the minimum parent-time to which the noncustodial parent is
386 entitled to the minor child.
- 387 (3) For a minor child who is younger than five months old, the noncustodial parent is
388 entitled to:
- 389 (a) three two-hour visits every week; and
390 (b) two hours for each holiday granted to the noncustodial parent in the holiday schedule
391 under Subsection (15).
- 392 (4) For a minor child who is at least five months old but younger than nine months old, the
393 noncustodial parent is entitled to:
- 394 (a) three three-hour visits every week; and
395 (b) two hours for each holiday granted to the noncustodial parent in the holiday schedule
396 under Subsection (15).
- 397 (5) For a minor child who is at least nine months old but younger than 12 months old, the
398 noncustodial parent is entitled to:
- 399 (a) one eight-hour visit every week;
400 (b) one three-hour visit every week; and
401 (c) eight hours for each holiday granted to the noncustodial parent in accordance with
402 the holiday schedule under Subsection (15).
- 403 (6) For a minor child who is at least 12 months old but younger than 18 months old, the
404 noncustodial parent is entitled to:
- 405 (a) one three-hour visit every week;
406 (b) one eight-hour visit on alternating weekends to be specified by the noncustodial
407 parent or court;
408 (c) an overnight visit on opposite weekends from Subsection (6)(b) beginning at 6 p.m.
409 on Friday and ending at noon on Saturday; and
410 (d) eight hours for each holiday granted to the noncustodial parent in the holiday
411 schedule under Subsection (15).
- 412 (7) For a minor child who is at least 18 months old but younger than three years old, the
413 noncustodial parent is entitled to:
- 414 (a) one weekday evening to be specified by the noncustodial parent or the court:
415 (i) beginning at 5:30 p.m. and ending at 8:30 p.m.; or
416 (ii) if the minor child is being cared for during the day outside the minor child's

- 417 regular place of residence and with advance notice to the custodial parent,
418 beginning at the time that the minor child is picked up from the caregiver and
419 ending at 8:30 p.m.;
- 420 (b) beginning on the first weekend after the entry of the decree, alternating weekends
421 beginning at 6 p.m. on Friday and ending at 7 p.m. on Sunday;
- 422 (c) each holiday granted to the noncustodial parent in accordance with the holiday
423 schedule described in Subsection (15); and
- 424 (d) extended parent-time for two one-week periods, separated by at least four weeks, at
425 the option of the noncustodial parent, as follows:
426 (i) one week of uninterrupted parent-time for the noncustodial parent; and
427 (ii) one week of interrupted parent-time where the custodial parent may have an equal
428 amount of weekday parent-time as the noncustodial parent on the same day on
429 which the noncustodial parent is granted weekday parent-time under Subsection
430 (7)(a).
- 431 (8) For a minor child who is at least three years old but younger than five years old, the
432 noncustodial parent is entitled to:
- 433 (a) one weekday evening to be specified by the noncustodial parent or the court:
434 (i) beginning at 5:30 p.m. and ending at 8:30 p.m.; or
435 (ii) if the minor child is being cared for during the day outside the minor child's
436 regular place of residence and with advance notice to the custodial parent,
437 beginning at the time that the minor child is picked up from the caregiver and
438 ending at 8:30 p.m.;
- 439 (b) beginning on the first weekend after the entry of the decree, alternating weekends
440 beginning at 6 p.m. on Friday and ending at 7 p.m. on Sunday;
- 441 (c) each holiday granted to the noncustodial parent in accordance with the holiday
442 schedule described in Subsection (15); and
- 443 (d) extended parent-time for two two-week periods, separated by at least four weeks, at
444 the option of the noncustodial parent, as follows:
445 (i) two weeks of uninterrupted parent-time, which may be consecutive, for the
446 noncustodial parent; and
447 (ii) two weeks of interrupted parent-time, which may be consecutive, where the
448 custodial parent may have an equal amount of weekday parent-time as the
449 noncustodial parent on the same day on which the noncustodial parent is granted
450 weekday parent-time under Subsection (8)(a).

- 451 (9) For a minor child who is at least 18 months old but younger than five years old, the
452 custodial parent is entitled to one week of uninterrupted extended parent-time.
- 453 (10)(a) For a minor child who is nine months old or older, the noncustodial parent shall
454 have at least two times a week:
- 455 (i) brief telephone contact at reasonable hours and for a reasonable duration; and
 - 456 (ii) virtual parent-time, if the equipment is reasonably available and the parents reside
457 at least 100 miles apart, at reasonable hours and for reasonable duration.
- 458 (b) If the parties cannot agree on whether the equipment is reasonably available, the
459 court shall decide whether the equipment for virtual parent-time is reasonably
460 available, taking into consideration:
- 461 (i) the best interests of the minor child;
 - 462 (ii) each parent's ability to handle any additional expenses for virtual parent-time; and
 - 463 (iii) any other factors the court considers material.
- 464 (c) Virtual parent-time supplements, but does not replace, in-person parent-time.
- 465 (11) For a minor child who is younger than nine months old, unless the parents agree
466 otherwise, parent-time should take place in the home of the custodial parent, an
467 established child-care setting, or other environment familiar to the minor child.
- 468 (12)(a) Changes may not be made to the parent-time schedule under this section, except
469 that if a conflict arises in the parent-time schedule, the following order of precedence
470 shall be applied when determining which parent is entitled to parent-time:
- 471 (i) the holiday schedule for Mother's Day or Father's Day under Subsection (15);
 - 472 (ii) the holiday schedule for the minor child's birthday, unless a parent is exercising
473 uninterrupted extended parent-time under Subsection (7)(d), (8)(d), or (9) and
474 takes the minor child away from that parent's residence during the uninterrupted
475 extended parent-time;
 - 476 (iii) the holiday schedule for any holiday under Subsection (15) that is not Father's
477 Day, Mother's Day, or the minor child's birthday;
 - 478 (iv) extended parent-time under Subsection (7)(d), (8)(d), or (9); and
 - 479 (v) the schedule for weekday or weekend parent-time.
- 480 (b) A parent exercising parent-time for the minor child's birthday may bring other
481 siblings along for the minor child's birthday.
- 482 (13) If a holiday falls on a regularly scheduled school day, the parent exercising parent-time
483 shall be responsible for the minor child's attendance at school for that school day.
- 484 (14) A parent shall notify the other parent at least 30 days in advance of the parent's plans

485 for the exercise of extended parent-time under Subsection (7)(d), (8)(d), or (9).

486 (15) The following table is the holiday schedule for parent-time under this section.

487	Holiday	Holiday Time Period	Years Noncustodial Parent is Granted Holiday	Years Custodial Parent is Granted Holiday
488	Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day	(1) Holiday begins on Friday at:(a) 9 a.m. if the parent is available to be with the minor child; or (b) 6 p.m. at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends at 7 p.m. on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day.	Odd years	Even years
489	President's Day	(1) Holiday begins on Friday at: (a) 9 a.m. if the parent is available to be with the minor child; or (b) 6 p.m. at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends at 7 p.m. on President's Day.	Even years	Odd years
490	Spring Break	(1) Holiday begins at 6 p.m. on the day that school dismisses for spring break. (2) Holiday ends at 7 p.m. on the day before school resumes.	Odd years	Even years
491	Memorial Day	(1) Holiday begins on Friday at: (a) 9 a.m. if the parent is available to be with the minor child; or (b) 6 p.m. at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends at 7 p.m. on Memorial Day.	Even years	Odd years
492	Mother's Day	(1) Holiday begins on Mother's Day at 9 a.m.	All years if noncustodial	All years if custodial parent is the mother

		(2) Holiday ends on Mother's Day at 7 p.m.	parent is the mother or other parent designated in the order.	or other parent designated in the order.
493	Father's Day	(1) Holiday begins on Father's Day at 9 a.m. (2) Holiday ends on Father's Day at 7 p.m.	All years if noncustodial parent is the father or other parent designated in the order.	All years if custodial parent is the father or other parent designated in the order.
494	Juneteenth National Freedom Day	[(1) Holiday begins at: (a) 6 p.m. on the day before Juneteenth National Freedom Day if the day before Juneteenth National Freedom Day is not Father's Day; or (b) 9 a.m. on Juneteenth National Freedom Day if the day before Juneteenth National Freedom Day is Father's Day. (2) Holiday ends at 6 p.m. on the day following Juneteenth National Freedom Day.] <u>(1) Holiday begins on June 18th at 7 p.m. and ends on June 20th at 7 p.m., if Father's Day is on a day other than June 19th or June 20th.</u> <u>(2) Holiday begins on June 18th at 7 p.m. and ends on June 20th at 9 a.m., if Father's Day is on June 20th.</u> <u>(3) Holiday begins on June 19th at 7 p.m. and ends on June 20th at 7 p.m., if Father's Day is on June 19th.</u>	Even years	Odd years
495	Independence Day	(1) Holiday begins on July 3rd at 6 p.m. (2) Holiday ends on July 5th at 6 p.m.	Odd years	Even years

496	Pioneer Day	(1) Holiday begins on July 23rd at 6 p.m. (2) Holiday ends on July 25th at 6 p.m.	Even years	Odd years
497	Labor Day	(1) Holiday begins on Friday at: (a) 9 a.m. if the parent is available to be with the minor child; or (b) 6 p.m. at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends at 7 p.m. on Labor Day.	Odd years	Even years
498	Columbus Day	(1) Holiday begins at 6 p.m. on the day before Columbus Day. (2) Holiday ends at 7 p.m. on Columbus Day.	Even years	Odd years
499	Fall Break	(1) Holiday begins at 6 p.m. on the day school is dismissed for fall break. (2) Holiday ends at 7 p.m. on the day before school resumes.	Odd years	Even years
500	Halloween	(1) Holiday begins on October 31st or the day that Halloween is traditionally celebrated in the local community: (a) at the time that school is dismissed; or (b) at 4 p.m. if there is no school. (2) Holiday ends at 9 p.m. on the same day the holiday begins.	Even years	Odd years
501	Veterans Day	(1) Holiday begins at 6 p.m. on the day before Veterans Day. (2) Holiday ends at 7 p.m. on Veterans Day.	Odd years	Even years
502	Thanksgiving	(1) Holiday begins at 6 p.m. on the day that school dismisses for Thanksgiving. (2) Holiday ends at 7 p.m. on day before school resumes.	Even years	Odd years

503	Winter Break (First Half)	(1) Holiday begins at 6 p.m. on the day on that school dismisses for winter break. (2) Holiday ends on December 27th at 7 p.m.	Odd years	Even years
504	Winter Break (Second Half)	(1) Holiday begins on December 27th at 7 p.m. (2) Holiday ends at 7 p.m. on the day before school resumes.	Even years	Odd years
505	Day of Minor Child's Birthday	(1) Holiday begins at 3 p.m. (2) Holiday ends at 9 p.m.	Even years	Odd years
506	Day Before or After Minor Child's Birthday	(1) Holiday begins at 3 p.m. (2) Holiday ends at 9 p.m.	Odd years	Even years

507 Section 5. **Effective Date.**

508 This bill takes effect on January 1, 2027.