



STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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MEMORANDUM

TO: District Superintendents

FROM: Roy M. Stehle, Director
Office of Federal and State Accountability

DATE: March 20, 2014

RE: Snow Days – Joint Resolution by the General Assembly

On Wednesday, March 12, Governor Haley signed into law H.4576 (Snow Days) **“Waiver of inclement weather make-up day requirements:**

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 59-1-425, the governing body of a school district may waive the requirement that schools make up full days missed due to inclement weather for five or fewer full school days that students who attend schools or charter schools in the district missed due to inclement weather during the 2013-2014 school year; provided, however, that a district may not waive this requirement until it has exhausted all statutorily required make up days remaining on the 2013-2014 school calendar. When a district waives a make-up day pursuant to this section, the make-up day also is waived for any student participating in a home schooling program approved by the board of trustees of the district in which the student resides.”

Each district is required to include in their calendar three days for snow, extreme weather or other disruptions to be used as make-up days for these occurrences (S.C. Code §59-1-425). The joint resolution passed by the General Assembly requires that make-up days remaining on your calendar be used prior to waiving up to five days missed due to inclement weather.

If you have any questions regarding this joint resolution, please contact Roy Stehle (803-734-8118) or Darlene Prevatt (803-734-3477).