

I MINA' TRENTAI TRES NA LIHESLATURAN GUAHAN
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**AN ACT TO AMEND §715 ITEM 12 SUBSECTION (m) OF
CHAPTER 7 TITLE 1, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED
RELATIVE TO THE GUAM PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM'S
USE OF EASTER AND CHRISTMAS BREAKS AS MAKE-UP
DAYS IN THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

1 **Section 1. Legislative Findings.** *I Mina Trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan*
2 *Guahan* finds that many school districts within the United States address the issue
3 of lost school days due to inclement weather and other causes by
4 incorporating designated inclement weather make-up days into the school calendar
5 instead of arbitrarily shortening scheduled Christmas and Easter breaks, thus
6 disrupting the plans of the educators and the families of students for off-island
7 travel during those periods. Inasmuch as the public school system is constrained
8 by only a minimum requirement of one hundred eighty (180) instructional days
9 that have to be completed within (thirty) 30 days following the end of the
10 calendared school year, the Guam Public School System clearly has the flexibility
11 to adopt a similar system as is the case in other jurisdictions. To facilitate the

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1 adoption of such a school calendar, *I Mina Trentai Tres Na Liheslaturan Guahan*
2 further finds that the parameters for the school calendar should be defined further
3 in this regard.

4 **Section 2.** §715 Item 12 Subsection (m) of Chapter 7 Title 1 Guam Code
5 Annotated, “Words and Terms Defined: Significance of Words,” is *amended* to
6 read:

7 “(m) at least one hundred eighty (180) instructional days including make-up
8 days each school year with school years ending no later than thirty (30) days
9 following the end of the calendared school year. Scheduled Easter and
10 Christmas breaks shall not be included in make-up days; and

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