

CONCISE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-2.6, following is a concise explanatory statement:

AGENCY: Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

DIVISION: *(If any)*

RULE IDENTIFIER: 200-RICR-20-05-1

RULE TITLE: Regulations Governing the School Calendar and Length of the School Day

REASON FOR RULEMAKING: The purpose of this Part is to require the setting of school calendars for RI public schools to ensure the provision of a minimum school year of one hundred and eighty (180) days and to define the length of the school day for purposes of R.I.G.L §§ 16-2-2 and 16-2-3 to ensure that the school day is comprised of adequate instructional time for students.

ANY FINDING REQUIRED BY LAW AS A PREREQUISITE TO THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE RULE: *(if any)*

TESTIMONY AND COMMENTS: No public comments were received and no public objections were received.

CHANGE TO TEXT OF THE RULE: There are no changes between the text that was noticed and the text that is being posted.

REGULATORY ANALYSIS: Prompted by federal statutory or regulatory changes where the agency was able to use discretion.