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Amend the resolve by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'Resolve, To Develop Model Academic Year Calendars'

Amend the resolve by striking out all of section 1 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1 Model academic year calendars. Resolved: That the Commissioner of Education shall establish a working group of kindergarten-to-grade-12 school officials, primarily superintendents and career and technical education directors, to prepare draft model academic year calendars that account for regional differences within the State to be submitted to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters by February 1, 2011. The working group may seek input from other stakeholders as it determines appropriate and shall present recommendations to the Commissioner of Education as to how to present the model academic year calendars for statewide review; and be it further'

Amend the resolve in section 2 in the last line (page 1, line 11 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "study" and inserting the following: 'working'

SUMMARY

This amendment is the majority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs. The amendment changes the reporting date of the working group and requires that it develop draft model academic year calendars that account for regional differences within the State, rather than one statewide model, and authorizes the working group to seek input from other stakeholders as it determines appropriate. The amendment also clarifies that this is a working group, rather than a study group.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED (See attached)