

Amend **CSHB 2** by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION in Part C, Article 2 of the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION 2C._____. (a) Section 25.081, Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 25.081. OPERATION OF SCHOOLS. (a) Except as authorized under Subsection (b) of this section, Section 25.084, or Section 29.0821, for each school year each school district must operate so that the district provides for not more than ~~[at least]~~ 180 days and not fewer than 1,260 hours of instruction for students.

(b) The commissioner may approve the instruction of students for fewer than the number of hours ~~[days]~~ required under Subsection (a) if disaster, flood, extreme weather conditions, fuel curtailment, or another calamity causes the closing of schools.

(b) Section 25.081, Education Code, as amended by this section, applies beginning with the 2006-2007 school year.