



Telephone: (517) 373-5383

Fax: (517) 373-1986

Senate Bill 50 (Substitute S-1 as reported)

Sponsor: Senator Sylvia Santana

Committee: Finance, Insurance, and Consumer Protection

CONTENT

The bill would amend Public Act 124 of 1865, which designates observed, public holidays, to include June 19 (Juneteenth) in a list of days that must be considered and treated as the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday, and as public holidays or half holidays.

MCL 435.101 & 435.102

BRIEF RATIONALE

Following 2021 Federal Legislation, Governor Gretchen Whitmer and Lieutenant Governor Garlin Gilchrist proclaimed June 19, 2022, as Juneteenth Celebration Day in Michigan. It has been suggested that the Michigan Compiled Laws be amended to codify this public holiday.

Legislative Analyst: Eleni Lionas

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have a negligible, if not neutral, fiscal impact local governments. State employees already have been granted a Juneteenth holiday; thus, the bill would have no fiscal impact on the State.

Regarding revenue collections, the bill likely would not affect any State revenue collections, as the current practice for any collections slated for the date of a State holiday is to collect them on the following business day. For example, Secretary of State fees for driver and vehicle registrations would be collected on the next day of operations for branch offices. With respect to employee costs for local government, the fiscal impact likely would be neutral. Salaried employees would not be affected by the addition of another State holiday, as they would receive the same salary. However, there are some employees who are entitled to additional pay for working holidays, such as local and county law enforcement officials. The bill could add additional wage costs for those employees. Conversely, local governments could see wage cost savings from wages paid to hourly employees, as these employees generally do not work full-time, nor do they receive paid holidays. Based on these factors, it is likely that the additional costs for holiday-pay eligible salaried employees could be negated by the savings from the decreased pay for hourly employees; these costs would vary across local governments.

Date Completed: 4-28-23 Fiscal Analyst: Joe Carrasco, Jr.