## **SB-79**

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#### IN THE SENATE OF THE AMERICAN LEGION BOYS NATION

Mr. Thompson of Kentucky introduced the following bill;

# A BILL

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Be it enacted by The American Legion Boys Nation Senate assembled,

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ""Emergency Volunteer Truancy Protection Act―".

- (a) Local Community Any community of people living, or having rights or interests, in a distinct geographical area within the coastal zone;
- (b) State of Emergency a government declaration stating that because of some crisis, the normal workings of political and social life are suspended in the given jurisdiction. A state

of emergency may alter government operations, order specific action by individuals, and suspend regular civil rights.

#### **SECTION 3. LEGISLATION**

(a) AN ACT relating to the protection of students volunteering in the Local Community, Commonwealth of Boys State, or Nation during a State of Emergency or serving in another emergency capacity from being labeled as truant.

(b) This Bill will require all publicly funded schools to excuse the absences of students volunteering with federally funded programs in an attempt to alleviate the problems faced during emergencies of a Local, State or Federal nature. The adult supervisor in charge of a local chapter shall write and sign the excuse for school records.

#### **SECTION 4. SPECIFICS**

(a) Individual schools are at discretion to determine the amount of days that a student can miss (minimum 3 per semester)

#### **SECTION 5. REQUIREMENTS**

- (a) Students eligible must meet academic and attendance standards set in place by individual schools
- (b) Universal permission form requiring a student, parent, and principal signature
- (c) Verification of the service is required and determined at the discretion of the individual school's principal.

## **SECTION 4. OVERSIGHT**

(a) The Board of Education of the Boys State shall oversee the enforcement of this legislation.

## **SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE**

This legislation (a) will take effect on [June 9 2024] All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null

and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Caiden Thompson