

HB 102 -- VOTING AS AN EXCUSED ABSENCE

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This bill specifies that any student entitled to vote at any election in this state will be granted three hours to leave school in order to do so.

Students who leave school to vote will not be liable to any disciplinary action provided that they made a request for leave prior to the date of the election.

The school may designate any three hours of the school day on election day during which students are allowed to leave to vote.

Each school district must adopt and implement a written policy relating to absences for voting.

A violation of this section by a school official is a class four election offense.

This bill is similar to HB 2363 (2024) and HB 1212 (2023).