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Amend the bill in section 2 in subsection 2-A by inserting after paragraph D the following:

'D-1. The commissioner, in accordance with rules adopted pursuant to this subsection, may authorize regional school calendars that do not comply with paragraph A if the commissioner determines that all school administrative units in the region have plans and will implement those plans to ensure compliance with paragraph F, notwithstanding the dissimilar calendar days.'

### SUMMARY

This amendment allows the Commissioner of Education to authorize regional school calendars that have more than 5 instructional days that are not aligned with the calendar of the career and technical education center in that region. To be eligible for authorization, all of the school administrative units in the region must have a plan, and ensure compliance with that plan, to provide access to students in that region to career and technical education programs for the entire instructional time required for those programs.