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SENATE BILL No. 131

DIGEST OF SB 131 (Updated January 22, 2020 6:02 pm - DI 110)

Citations Affected: IC 20-30.

Synopsis: National motto in schools. Provides that each school corporation and charter school may place a durable poster or framed picture representing: (1) the national motto of the United States, "In God We Trust"; (2) an accurate representation of the United States flag; and (3) an accurate representation of the Indiana state flag; in each school library and classroom within the school corporation or charter school. Provides that the representation of the United States flag and the Indiana state flag must comply with any applicable federal or state laws concerning the design, dimensions, or presentation of each respective flag.

Effective: July 1, 2020.

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January 6, 2020, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.

January 23, 2020, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2019 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 20-30-3-5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2020]: **Sec. 5. (a) Subject to subsection (b), each school**
4 **corporation and charter school may place a durable poster or**
5 **framed picture representing:**

6 **(1) the national motto of the United States, "In God We**
7 **Trust"; and**

8 **(2) an accurate representation of the:**

9 **(A) United States flag; and**

10 **(B) Indiana state flag;**

11 **which may be positioned under the national motto described**
12 **in subdivision (1);**

13 **in each school library and classroom within the school corporation**
14 **or charter school.**

15 **(b) The durable poster or framed picture described in**
16 **subsection (a) may be at least eleven (11) inches in height by**
17 **seventeen (17) inches in width. The dimensions of the national**

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1 motto, United States flag, and Indiana state flag described in
2 subsection (a) may be as follows:

3 (1) The national motto described in subsection (a)(1) may be
4 at least four (4) inches in height by fifteen (15) inches in width
5 and include print large enough to fill the dimensions
6 established by this subdivision.

7 (2) The representation of the United States flag and the
8 Indiana state flag as described in subsection (a)(2) must
9 comply with any applicable federal or state laws concerning
10 the design, dimensions, or presentation of the respective flags.



COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Education and Career Development, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 131, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 1, line 4, delete "shall" and insert "**may**".

Page 1, line 11, delete "shall" and insert "**may**".

Page 1, line 16, delete "must" and insert "**may**".

Page 2, line 2, delete "must" and insert "**may**".

Page 2, line 3, delete "must" and insert "**may**".

Page 2, delete lines 7 through 16, begin a new line block indented and insert:

"(2) The representation of the United States flag and the Indiana state flag as described in subsection (a)(2) must comply with any applicable federal or state laws concerning the design, dimensions, or presentation of the respective flags."

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 131 as introduced.)

RAATZ, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 9, Nays 2.

