

1 ENGROSSED SENATE  
2 BILL NO. 337

By: Pederson of the Senate

and

McCall of the House

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6 An Act relating to capitol buildings; providing for  
7 display of the national motto in the visitor center  
8 area of the State Capitol Building; authorizing  
9 certain entities to provide legal defense; providing  
10 certain construction; providing for codification; and  
11 providing an effective date.

12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

13 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
14 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 65 of Title 73, unless there is  
15 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

16 A. In keeping with the tradition established by the display of  
17 the national motto in the Tourist Information Center of the United  
18 States Capitol Building, the administrator of the Office of  
19 Management and Enterprise Services shall utilize monies from the  
20 Oklahoma State Capitol Building Repair and Restoration Fund to  
21 create an inscription of the national motto of the United States,  
22 "In God We Trust", in a prominently visible location in the visitor  
23 center of the Oklahoma State Capitol Building. The placement and  
24 size of the display shall be in keeping with the placement and size

1 of the display of the national motto in the Tourist Information  
2 Center of the United States Capitol Building.

3 B. In the event that the legality or constitutionality of the  
4 inscription is challenged in a court of law, the Oklahoma Attorney  
5 General is hereby authorized to prepare and present a legal defense  
6 of the inscription.

7 C. The placement of this inscription shall not be construed to  
8 mean that the State of Oklahoma favors any particular religion or  
9 denomination thereof over others.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.

11 Passed the Senate the 9th day of March, 2021.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

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15 Passed the House of Representatives the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
16 2021.

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