

HOUSE BILL NO. 1294

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE DINKINS.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapters 8, 170, and 171, RSMo, by adding thereto three new sections relating to the national motto.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapters 8, 170, and 171, RSMo, are amended by adding thereto three new sections, to be known as sections 8.925, 170.022, and 171.025, to read as follows:

8.925. Every building owned or leased by this state or any department, division, or branch thereof shall display in some prominent location either on the outside or the inside of the building the national motto of the United States, "In God We Trust". The nature of the display shall be determined by the state board of public buildings with a minimum requirement of a paper sign.

170.022. Each local school district shall provide to students instruction on the national motto of the United States, "In God We Trust". Such instruction shall be provided to students by the fifth grade as part of the social studies curriculum beginning in the 2021-22 school year.

171.025. 1. Each local school district shall require all schools within the district to display the national motto of the United States, "In God We Trust", in a prominent location in each school. The national motto shall be displayed as required by this section beginning in the 2021-22 school year.

2. The display required in subsection 1 of this section may take the form of, but is not limited to, a mounted plaque or student artwork.

3. As used in this section, "prominent location" means a school entryway, cafeteria, or common area where students are likely to see the national motto display.

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.