

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 1810

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE SPENCER.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 71.286, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to display of the United States flag.

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

Section A. Section 71.286, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 71.286, to read as follows:

71.286. Notwithstanding any other provision of the law to the contrary, no state law, city, town, or village ordinance shall regulate the exhibition of a properly displayed United States flag. For the purposes of this section, the term "properly displayed" shall mean that the flag contains no additional design or embellishment and is displayed consistent with the provisions of Title 4 U.S.C. Sections 1-10, pursuant to the normally accepted guidelines for the display of the United States flag. **However, upon the death of a present or former official of the city or county government, the death of a member of the United States Armed Forces of the city or county who dies while serving on active duty, the death of a first responder working in the city or county, or the death of a principal figure of the city or county, the chief executive officer of a city or county may proclaim the United States flag be flown at half-staff on the day of death and the following day as a mark of respect to their memory.**

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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.