SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 1414

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE STACY.

DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 1, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to display of the national motto in public buildings.

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

Section A. Chapter 1, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be 2 known as section 1.365, to read as follows:

1.365. 1. If funds as described in subsection 3 of this section are available, local school superintendents, local building administrators, and chief administrators of the public schools in this state or institutions of higher education, or their respective designees, and the administrative officials of state agencies, or their respective designees, shall prominently display in a conspicuous place a durable poster or framed copy containing "In God We Trust", the national motto of the United States, subject to the following requirements:

8 (1) The national motto shall be easily readable on a poster or framed copy of at 9 least eleven inches by fourteen inches, be the central focus of the poster or framed copy, 10 and be displayed in a large font size;

11 (2) An accurate representation of the United States flag shall be under the 12 national motto on the poster; and

13 (3) An accurate representation of the Missouri state flag shall be under the 14 national motto on the poster.

15 **2.** The durable posters or framed copies of the national motto described in 16 section 1 of this section shall be displayed in each public institution of higher education

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.

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17 and elementary and secondary school library and classroom in this state and in each

- 18 public building or facility in this state that is maintained or operated by state funds.
- 19 **3.** The posters or framed copies authorized under this section shall either be
- $20 \quad \text{donated or purchased solely with funds made available through voluntary contributions}$
- 21 to the local school boards or the state board of public buildings for the purpose stated in
- 22 this section.

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