
DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires the display of the national motto in each classroom in each public school and in each public postsecondary education institution.

Present law requires each public school governing authority to display the national motto, "In God We Trust", in each building it uses and in each school under its jurisdiction.

Proposed law changes this requirement from in each building and each school to in each classroom in each school.

Present law specifies that the nature of the display shall be determined by each governing authority with a minimum requirement of a paper sign. Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law additionally requires display of the national motto in every classroom on public postsecondary education institution campuses.

Proposed law provides that proposed law does not require spending public funds to purchase displays.

Proposed law authorizes governing authorities, management boards, and institutions to accept donated displays and to spend their funds or donated funds to purchase displays.

(Amends R.S. 17:262(A)(2) and (B); Adds R.S. 17:262(C) and 3351(O))