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HB 2523: schools; pledge of allegiance; requirement

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Overview

Requires students in kindergarten programs and the 1st-12th grades to recite the Pledge of Allegiance during the time set aside by the school district or charter school.

History

A school district or charter school must acquire United States flags that are manufactured in the United States and that are at least two feet by three feet. These flags must be displayed in accordance with federal law in each classroom and outside school buildings during school hours and as directed by school authorities.

In addition to the display of the United States flag, a school district or charter school is required to set aside a specific time each day for students who wish to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Statute also mandates that, for kindergarten programs and the 1st-12th grades, between one to two minutes be set aside at the beginning of each school day for students to engage in a moment of silence ([A.R.S. § 15-506](#)).

Provisions

1. Specifies school districts and charter schools must set aside a specific time each day for students in kindergarten programs and the 1st-12th grades who wish to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. (Sec. 1)
2. Mandates each student recite the Pledge of Allegiance during the time set aside. (Sec. 1)
3. Exempts a student from having to recite the Pledge of Allegiance at the request of:
 - a) the student's parent; or
 - b) the student if the student is at least 18 years old. (Sec. 1)

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