

# SENATE BILL No. 131

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 20-30-3-5.

**Synopsis:** National motto in schools. Provides that each school corporation and charter school shall place a durable poster or framed picture representing: (1) the national motto of the United States, "In God We Trust"; (2) an accurate representation of the United States flag; and (3) an accurate representation of the Indiana state flag; in each school library and classroom within the school corporation or charter school. Specifies the size requirements for the poster or framed picture and the national motto and flags of the United States and state of Indiana.

**Effective:** July 1, 2020.

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January 6, 2020, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.

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Second Regular Session of the 121st General Assembly (2020)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2019 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 20-30-3-5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3 1, 2020]: **Sec. 5. (a) Subject to subsection (b), each school**  
4 **corporation and charter school shall place a durable poster or**  
5 **framed picture representing:**  
6 (1) **the national motto of the United States, "In God We**  
7 **Trust"; and**  
8 (2) **an accurate representation of the:**  
9 (A) **United States flag; and**  
10 (B) **Indiana state flag;**  
11 **which shall be positioned under the national motto described**  
12 **in subdivision (1);**  
13 **in each school library and classroom within the school corporation**  
14 **or charter school.**  
15 (b) **The durable poster or framed picture described in**  
16 **subsection (a) must be at least eleven (11) inches in height by**  
17 **seventeen (17) inches in width. The dimensions of the national**



- 1 motto, United States flag, and Indiana state flag described in
- 2 subsection (a) must be as follows:
- 3 (1) The national motto described in subsection (a)(1) must be
- 4 at least four (4) inches in height by fifteen (15) inches in width
- 5 and include print large enough to fill the dimensions
- 6 established by this subdivision.
- 7 (2) Each of the flags described in subsection (a)(2) must be at
- 8 least five (5) inches in height by five (5) inches in width.
- 9 (c) The durable poster or framed picture described in subsection
- 10 (a) may be acquired as follows:
- 11 (1) Donated to the school corporation or charter school.
- 12 (2) Purchased with funds made available to the school
- 13 corporation or charter school through voluntary
- 14 contributions.
- 15 (3) Purchased directly by the school corporation or charter
- 16 school.

