

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 47th Legislature (1999)

HOUSE BILL NO. 1209

By: Pettigrew

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to crimes and punishments; amending 21 O.S. 1991, Section 375, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 4, O.S.L. 1996 (21 O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 375), which relates to the raising of certain flags over public property; requiring the raising of certain Confederate flag over the Flag Plaza of the State Capitol Building; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 1991, Section 375, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 4, O.S.L. 1996 (21 O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 375), is amended to read as follows:

Section 375. A. It shall be unlawful and constitute a misdemeanor for any person to place, hoist, raise or display any flag, standard, colors or ensign upon or over any publicly owned tax-supported property or premises except roads, streets, highways, stadiums or arenas in the State of Oklahoma, except:

1. The flag, standard, colors or ensign of the United States of America;
2. The flag of any nation formerly having dominion over the land now comprising the State of Oklahoma or any portion of said land;
3. The official flag of any of the fifty states of the United States;
4. An Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building commemorative flag;
5. The official flag of any municipality in this state;
6. The Boy Scouts of America flag;

7. The Girl Scouts United States of America flag;
8. The American Red Cross flag; and
9. Such other flags as may be approved by the governing board or agency having control over said public property.

B. The flags flown in the Flag Plaza of the State Capitol Building shall include the original Stars and Bars Flag of the Confederacy.

C. Any person convicted of a violation of subsection A of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) nor more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) or by imprisonment in the county jail for not less than thirty (30) days nor more than six (6) months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 1999.

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