

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, March 24, 2010

ENGROSSED
Senate Bill No. 2037

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2037 - By: NEWBERRY AND RUSSELL of the Senate and JORDAN of the House.

An Act relating to soldiers and sailors; directing the Department of Central Services to furnish flags to the family of members of the Armed Forces killed in action; allowing for condolences by certain officials; directing the flags be mailed to surviving family; requiring purchase of flags produced by U.S. manufacturers only; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma
2 Statutes as Section 63.11a of Title 72, unless there is created a duplication in numbering,
3 reads as follows:
- 4 A. The Department of Central Services shall, from the effective date of this act,
5 furnish an Oklahoma state flag to any member of the United States Armed Forces,
6 including the National Guard or Armed Forces reserve, who is either killed in the line of
7 duty in a combat zone or dies of wounds inflicted in a combat zone and who, at the time
8 of death, was a resident of this state or whose surviving spouse, or parents, if no
9 surviving spouse, are residents of this state.

1 B. The Governor's office shall alert the Department of Central Services upon the
2 death of any Oklahoma member of the United States Armed Forces. Prior to sending the
3 flag to the deceased's spouse or parents, the Department of Central Services shall alert
4 the deceased's member of the State Senate and House of Representatives so that a letter
5 of condolence may be sent with the flag. The Oklahoma flag shall be mailed to the
6 surviving spouse, or parents if no surviving spouse, by the Department of Central
7 Services.

8 C. All United States flags and all Oklahoma flags purchased by the state or
9 political subdivisions shall be manufactured in the United States.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2010.

11 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AND MILITARY AFFAIRS,
12 dated 03-23-10 - DO PASS.