

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 2037

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to soldiers and sailors; directing
8 the Department of Central Services to furnish flags
9 to the family of members of the Armed Forces killed
10 in action; allowing for condolences by certain
officials; directing the flags be mailed to surviving
family; providing for codification; and providing an
effective date.

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

14 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
15 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 63.11a of Title 72, unless there
16 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

17 A. The Department of Central Services shall, from the effective
18 date of this act, furnish an Oklahoma state flag to any member of
19 the United States Armed Forces, including the National Guard or
20 Armed Forces reserve, who is either killed in the line of duty in a
21 combat zone or dies of wounds inflicted in a combat zone and who, at
22 the time of death, was a resident of this state or whose surviving
23 spouse, or parents, if no surviving spouse, are residents of this
24 state.

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

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

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