

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 56th Legislature (2017)

4 HOUSE BILL 2277

 By: O'Donnell and Cleveland

7 AS INTRODUCED

8 An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2011,
9 Section 24-106, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 225,
10 O.S.L. 2014 (70 O.S. Supp. 2016, Section 24-106),
11 which relates to the United States Flag; requiring
12 pupils to recite pledge of allegiance daily; and
13 providing an effective date.

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

15 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 24-106, as
16 amended by Section 1, Chapter 225, O.S.L. 2014 (70 O.S. Supp. 2016,
17 Section 24-106), is amended to read as follows:

18 Section 24-106. A. The board of education of every school
19 district in this state shall be required to own and display, either
20 inside or outside each classroom building in the district, a United
21 States Flag.

22 B. Instruction in the history and etiquette relating to the
23 United States Flag shall be given in one or more grades in the
24 schools in every school district in this state.

1 C. Students in all public schools are authorized to recite, at
2 the beginning of each school day, the pledge of allegiance to the
3 flag of the United States of America as enumerated at 36 U.S.C.,
4 Section 172; however, they shall recite the pledge of allegiance to
5 the flag of the United States of America once every school ~~week~~ day.
6 Each student shall be informed by posting a notice in a conspicuous
7 place that students not wishing to participate in the pledge shall
8 not be required to do so.

9 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

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11 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON COMMON EDUCATION, dated 02/14/2017
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