

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 2nd Session of the 57th Legislature (2020)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
5 FOR
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 3817

By: McCall and **Dills**

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9 An Act relating to public buildings and public works;
10 providing for display of the national motto in
11 certain state buildings; authorizing certain entities
12 to provide legal defense; providing for meaning of
13 display; providing for codification; and providing an
14 effective date.

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

16 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
17 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 334 of Title 61, unless there is
18 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

19 A. The Office of Management and Enterprise Services shall
20 display the national motto of the United States in a prominently
21 visible location in all state buildings. The placement and size of
22 the display shall be in keeping with the placement and size of the
23 display of the national motto in the United States Capitol Visitor
24 Center. The Office of Management and Enterprise Services shall be

1 directly responsible for the provisions of this act, including any
2 related expenses.

3 B. In the event that the legality or constitutionality of the
4 display is challenged in a court of law, the Oklahoma Attorney
5 General is hereby authorized to prepare and present a legal defense
6 of the display.

7 C. The display of the national motto shall not be construed to
8 mean that the State of Oklahoma favors any particular religion or
9 denomination thereof over others.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2020.

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12 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON RULES, dated 02/25/2020 - DO PASS,
13 As Amended and Coauthored.
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