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HOUSE BILL No. 4934

September 13, 2011, Introduced by Rep. Cotter and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code," by amending section 1347 (MCL 380.1347).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1347. (1) The FOR EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDING IT
- 2 OPERATES, THE board of each—A school district shall purchase OR
- 3 POSSESS a United States flag of a size of not less than 4 feet 2
- 4 inches by 8 feet, flag staff, and the necessary appliances
- 5 therefor, FOR DISPLAYING THE FLAG UPON THE FLAG STAFF; SHALL ERECT
- 6 THE FLAG STAFF ON THE PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDING OR ON A CONSPICUOUS
- 7 PLACE UPON THE SCHOOL GROUNDS; and shall display the flag upon the
- 8 FLAG staff which shall be erected on each public school building or
- 9 on a conspicuous place upon the school grounds at all times during
 - school hours, inclement weather excepted, in which case the flag
- 11 shall be prominently displayed within the school building.

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- 1 (2) THE BOARD OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
- 2 DISTRICT OR BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY SHALL
- 3 ENSURE THAT AN OPPORTUNITY TO RECITE THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO
- 4 THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES IS OFFERED EACH SCHOOL DAY TO ALL
- 5 PUBLIC SCHOOL PUPILS IN EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL IT OPERATES. IN ADDITION
- 6 TO THE DISPLAY OF THE FLAG AT THE SCHOOL REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION
- 7 (1), THE BOARD OR BOARD OF DIRECTORS SHALL ENSURE THAT A UNITED
- 8 STATES FLAG IS DISPLAYED IN EACH CLASSROOM OR OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL
- 9 SITE IN WHICH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE IS OFFERED TO PUPILS UNDER
- 10 THIS SUBSECTION.
- 11 (3) A PUPIL SHALL NOT BE COMPELLED, AGAINST THE PUPIL'S
- 12 OBJECTIONS OR THOSE OF THE PUPIL'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN, TO
- 13 RECITE THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.