

HOUSE BILL 254

Introduced by Thoft, et al.

1/17	Introduced
1/18	Referred to Education & Cultural Resources
2/15	Hearing
2/18	Committee Report--Bill Passed a Amended
2/20	2nd Reading Passed
2/21	3rd Reading Passed

Transmitted to Senate

2/28	Referred to State Administration
3/14	Hearing
3/14	Committee Report--Bill Concurred as Amended
3/16	2nd Reading Concurred
3/18	3rd Reading Concurred

Returned to House With Amendments

3/30	Motion to Concur with Amendments on 2nd Reading Failed
3/31	Conference Committee Appointed

Senate

4/04	Conference Committee Appointed Died in Process
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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO REQUIRE RECITATION

OF THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA,

Section 1. Pledge of allegiance required. The

curriculum in all public schools of the state must include

the recitation of the pledge of allegiance to the flag of

the United States of America. The recitation must be

conducted by the classroom teacher or the teacher's

surrogate at the beginning of the first class of each school

day. All students shall participate in the recitation of the

pledge of allegiance, except that a student may be excused

if his religious convictions preclude his participation.

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Lynn Owens

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APPROVED BY COMM. ON EDUCATION
AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO ALLOW A SCHOOL
DISTRICT TO REQUIRE RECITATION OF THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
IN ~~PUBLIC-SCHOOLS~~ THE SCHOOLS OF THE DISTRICT."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

NEW SECTION. **Section 1.** Pledge of allegiance
required. ~~The curriculum in all public schools~~ THE TRUSTEES
OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS of the state ~~must--include~~ MAY REQUIRE
the recitation of the pledge of allegiance to the flag of
the United States of America. ~~The~~ IF REQUIRED, THE
recitation must be conducted by the classroom teacher or the
teacher's surrogate at the beginning of the first class of
each school day. All students shall participate in the
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~~DISTRICT--TO~~ REQUIRE RECITATION OF THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
IN ~~PUBLIC--SCHOOLS~~ ~~THE--SCHOOLS--OF--THE--DISTRICT~~ PUBLIC
ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

NEW SECTION. Section 1. Pledge of allegiance required
REQUIRED. The curriculum in all public schools THE TRUSTEES
OF--SCHOOL--DISTRICTS THE DAILY SCHEDULE IN ALL PUBLIC
ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS of the state must include MAY-REQUIRE
MUST INCLUDE the recitation of the pledge of allegiance to
the flag of the United States of America. The IF-REQUIRED,
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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

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required. ~~The curriculum in all public schools~~ THE TRUSTEES
OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS of the state must--include MAY REQUIRE
the recitation of the pledge of allegiance to the flag of
the United States of America. The IF REQUIRED, THE
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SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

March 14, 1989

MR. PRESIDENT:

We, your committee on State Administration, having had under consideration HB 254 (third reading copy -- blue), respectfully report that HB 254 be amended and as so amended be concurred in:

Sponsor: Thoft (Williams)

1. Title, line 10

Following: "TO"

Strike: "ALLOW"

Insert: "REQUIRE"

2. Title, line 12.

Following: "DISTRICT"

Insert: ";AND TO PROVIDE EXCEPTIONS TO REQUIRED PLEDGE RECITATION"

3. Page 1, line 17.

Following: "~~include~~"

Strike: "MAY"

Insert: "shall"

4. Page 1, line 19.

Following: "~~The~~"

Strike: "IF REQUIRED, THE"

Insert: "The"

AND AS AMENDED BE CONCURRED IN

Signed: _____

Farrell

William E. Farrell, Chairman

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11 SCHOOL DISTRICT TO REQUIRE RECITATION OF THE PLEDGE OF
12 ALLEGIANCE IN PUBLIC-SCHOOLS THE SCHOOLS OF THE DISTRICT;
13 AND TO PROVIDE EXCEPTIONS TO REQUIRED PLEDGE RECITATION."
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15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

16 NEW SECTION. Section 1. Pledge of allegiance
17 required. ~~The-curriculum-in-all-public-schools~~ THE TRUSTEES
18 OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS of the state ~~must-include~~ MAY SHALL
19 REQUIRE the recitation of the pledge of allegiance to the
20 flag of the United States of America. ~~The IF-REQUIRED7-THE~~
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22 the teacher's surrogate at the beginning of the first class
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