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HOUSE BILL No. 2364

By Representative D. Williams

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AN ACT concerning school districts; relating to the reading, posting and teaching of certain American historical and governmental documents.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) The board of education of each school district shall authorize all certificated employees of the district to read, post, and include within the curriculum taught in any school building or classroom, all of the following:

- (1) The national motto;
- (2) The national anthem;
- (3) The pledge of allegiance;
- (4) The Kansas Constitution;
- (5) The Declaration of Independence;
- (6) The United States Constitution;
- (7) The Mayflower Compact;
- (8) The writings, speeches, documents and proclamations of the Founding Fathers and the Presidents of the United States;
- (9) The writings, speeches, and documents emanating from Colonial, Revolutionary and Federalist eras;
- (10) The writings, speeches, and documents of Leaders of the Civil Rights Movement in the United States;
 - (11) United States Supreme Court decisions; and
 - (12) Acts of the United States Congress.
- (b) There shall be no revision of American history or heritage based on religious references in the writings, documents and records described in subsection (a).
- (c) The state board of education shall distribute a copy of this act, immediately after the effective date thereof, to the board of education of each school district in the state. The superintendent of each such school district shall distribute copies of the act to all certificated personnel of the school district.
- Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.