**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 10‑1‑169 SO AS TO REQUIRE THE DISPLAY OF CERTAIN POSTERS REPRESENTING THE STATE FLAG, THE UNITED STATES FLAG, AND THE NATIONAL MOTTO OF THE UNITED STATES IN PUBLIC BUILDINGS THROUGHOUT THE STATE INCLUDING PUBLIC SCHOOL CLASSROOMS AND LIBRARIES, AND TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING THE ACQUISITION OF THESE POSTERS.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Chapter 1, Title 10 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 10‑1‑169. (A)(1) If funds under subsection (B) are available, each municipality, county, or other political subdivision of this State and each school district shall place a durable poster or framed copy representing:

(a) the national motto of the United States, ‘In God We Trust’;

(b) an accurate representation of the United States flag, which shall be centered under the national motto; and

(c) an accurate representation of the South Carolina state flag.

(2) The materials in subsection (A)(1) must be displayed in each:

(a) public elementary and secondary school library and classroom in this State; and

(b) public building or facility in this State that is operated by state funds.

(B) The copies or posters authorized under this section either must be:

(1) donated; or

(2) purchased solely with funds made available through voluntary contributions to the relevant political subdivision or school district.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval of the Governor.

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