



1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 667

November 9, 1995 - Introduced by Representatives JENSEN, URBAN, OWENS, DOBYNS, FREESE, GOETSCH, COLEMAN, KELSO, SILBAUGH, RILEY, HANDRICK, GREEN, LADWIG, ZUKOWSKI and SERATTI, cosponsored by Senators ZIEN, FITZGERALD and DARLING. Referred to Committee on Elections and Constitutional Law.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 118.06 of the statutes; **relating to:** the display of the U.S. flag
2 and offering of the pledge of allegiance or the national anthem in public and
3 private schools.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Currently, every school board and the governing body of every private school must display the U.S. flag in the schoolroom or on a flagstaff located on school grounds. This bill requires the flag to be displayed in every public and private school classroom.

Currently, every public and private school must offer the pledge of allegiance in grades one to 8 at the beginning of school at least one day per week. However, no pupil may be compelled to recite the pledge. This bill requires that the pledge of allegiance or the national anthem be offered in grades one to 12 at the beginning of each school day. No pupil may be compelled to recite the pledge or sing the anthem.

For further information see the *local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

4 **SECTION 1.** 118.06 of the statutes is amended to read:
5 **118.06 (title) Flag and, pledge of allegiance and national anthem. (1)**
6 Every school board and the governing body of every private school shall cause the
7 U.S. flag to be displayed in the schoolroom or from a flagstaff on each school ground
8 every classroom during the school hours of each school day.

SECTION 1

1 (2) Every public and private school shall offer the pledge of allegiance or the
2 national anthem in grades one to 8 12 at the beginning of each school ~~at least one day~~
3 ~~per week~~. No pupil may be compelled, against the pupil's objections or those of the
4 pupil's parents or guardian, to recite the pledge or to sing the anthem.

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