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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the display of the national motto in public school and
- 3 institution of higher education classrooms.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 1.004, Education Code, is amended by
- 6 adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:
- 7 (d) A classroom teacher at a public elementary or secondary
- 8 school or a teacher or professor at an institution of higher
- 9 education as defined by Section 61.003 may not be prohibited from
- 10 displaying in a classroom a poster or framed copy of the national
- 11 motto that meets the requirements of this section.
- 12 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2023-2024
- 13 school year.
- 14 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 15 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 16 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 17 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 18 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.