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H.B. No. 3511

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the making of the military salute to the Texas flag by veterans.

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

SECTION 1. Section 3100.104, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 3100.104. RECITING PLEDGE. If the pledge to the state flag is recited, each person who is present and:

(1) not in uniform should:

(A) face the state flag and stand at attention with the person's right hand over the heart;

(B) if wearing a head covering that is easy to remove, remove that head covering with the right hand and hold it at the person's left shoulder, with the person's hand over the heart; and

(C) recite the pledge ~~or~~

(1-a) who is a veteran and not in uniform may remain silent, face the flag, and make the military salute.

(2) in uniform should remain silent, face the flag, and make the military salute.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.