BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

S.B. 258 adds "one state under God" to the pledge of allegiance to the Texas state flag that is recited to conclude the state flag retirement ceremony.

H.B. 1034, 80th Legislature, Regular Session, 2007, added the phrase "one state under God" to the Texas pledge, and the provisions for the official retirement ceremony for the state flag need to be updated to include the phrase in order to be consistent.

As proposed, S.B. 258 amends current law relating to the pledge of allegiance to the state flag during a state flag retirement ceremony.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 3100.152(d), Government Code, to amend the language set forth for the official retirement ceremony for the state flag encouraged for public use to include the phrase, "one state under God."

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2011.

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