

Amend CSHB 4509 (house committee report) as follows:

(1) On page 4, line 1, between "the" and "Declaration", insert "entirety of the".

(2) On page 4, line 2, between "the" and "United", insert "entirety of the".

(3) On page 4, line 3, between "including" and "Essays", insert "the entirety of".

(4) On page 4, line 8, strike "and".

(5) On page 4, line 10, between "States" and the underlined period, insert the following:

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(G) the entirety of Frederick Douglass's speeches The Meaning of July Fourth for the Negro and What the Black Man Wants; and

(H) the entirety of Martin Luther King Jr.'s speech I Have a Dream

(6) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumber subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. Section 5.001, Education Code, is amended by adding Subdivision (10) to read as follows:

(10) "Informed American patriotism" means a reasoned appreciation, gained through the study of historical primary sources, of why America has been, is now, and continues to be the destination of choice for those around the world who yearn to live in freedom. Informed American patriotism is only a conditional pledge of devotion that will be maintained only so long as America adheres to a republican form of government. If we abandon a representative democracy, our pledge of allegiance will be withdrawn as is stated in the Pledge of Allegiance, which swears devotion to a "republic".