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HOUSE BILL No. 1045

DIGEST OF HB 1045 (Updated January 28, 2020 11:47 am - DI 135)

Citations Affected: IC 1-1.

Synopsis: Display of Honor and Remember flag. Requires the Honor and Remember flag to be displayed at each state office building, the state cemetery, and each veterans cemetery managed by the Indiana department of veterans' affairs during the month of May annually.

Effective: Upon passage.

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January 16, 2020, read first time and referred to Committee on Veterans Affairs and Public Safety.
January 28, 2020, reported — Do Pass.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2019 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning military and veterans.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 1-1-15 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
2 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON
3 PASSAGE]:

4 **Chapter 15. Honor and Remember Flag**

5 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "Honor and Remember flag"**
6 **means the Honor and Remember, Inc., flag.**

7 **Sec. 2. The Honor and Remember flag is designated as the**
8 **symbol of our state's concern and commitment to honor and**
9 **remember the lives of all members of the United States armed**
10 **forces who lost their lives while serving or as a result of service in**
11 **the armed forces of the United States and their families.**

12 **Sec. 3. The symbolism of the Honor and Remember flag is as**
13 **follows:**

- 14 (1) **The red field represents the blood spilled by brave men**
15 **and women in America's military throughout our history,**
16 **who willingly gave their lives so that we all would remain free.**
17 (2) **The white border beneath and surrounding the gold star**

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- 1 recognizes the purity of that sacrifice. There is no greater
 2 price an American can pay than to give his or her life in
 3 service to our country.
- 4 (3) The blue star represents active service in military conflict.
 5 This symbol originated in World War I, but on this flag it
 6 signifies service through all generations from the American
 7 Revolution to present day.
- 8 (4) The gold star signifies the ultimate sacrifice as a warrior
 9 in active service who will not return home. The gold color
 10 reflects the value of the life given.
- 11 (5) The folded flag signifies the final tribute to an individual
 12 life that a family sacrificed and gave to the nation.
- 13 (6) The flame is an eternal reminder of the spirit that has
 14 departed this life yet burns on in the memory of all who knew
 15 and loved the fallen hero.
- 16 **Sec. 4. The Honor and Remember flag shall be displayed at:**
- 17 (1) each state office building;
- 18 (2) the state cemetery established by IC 10-17-11-4; and
- 19 (3) each veterans cemetery managed by the Indiana
 20 department of veterans' affairs; and
- 21 may be displayed at all levels of government during the entire
 22 month of May annually.
- 23 **Sec. 5. The Honor and Remember flag may be displayed at any**
 24 **of the entities listed in section 4 of this chapter at any time.**
- 25 **SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.**



COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Veterans Affairs and Public Safety, to which was referred House Bill 1045, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1045 as introduced.)

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Committee Vote: Yeas 12, Nays 0

