

SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 4934

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled  
"The revised school code,"  
(MCL 380.1 to 380.1852) by adding section 1347a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1           SEC. 1347A. (1) BEGINNING WITH THE 2013-2014 SCHOOL YEAR, THE  
2 BOARD OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR BOARD  
3 OF DIRECTORS OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY SHALL ENSURE THAT AN  
4 OPPORTUNITY TO RECITE THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE  
5 UNITED STATES IS OFFERED EACH SCHOOL DAY TO ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL  
6 PUPILS IN EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL IT OPERATES.

7           (2) A PUPIL SHALL NOT BE COMPELLED, AGAINST THE PUPIL'S  
8 OBJECTIONS OR THOSE OF THE PUPIL'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN, TO  
9 RECITE THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

1           (3) THE BOARD OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL  
2 DISTRICT OR BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY, AND THE  
3 SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR IN CHARGE OF A SCHOOL BUILDING, SHALL ENSURE  
4 THAT A PUPIL IS NOT SUBJECT TO ANY PENALTY OR BULLYING AT SCHOOL AS  
5 A RESULT OF NOT RECITING THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

6           (4) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG  
7 OF THE UNITED STATES" OR "PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE" MEANS THE PLEDGE OF  
8 ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG PRESCRIBED IN 4 USC 4.

9           Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect  
10 unless Senate Bill No. 637 of the 96th Legislature is enacted into  
11 law.