

Senate Study Bill 3017 - Introduced

SENATE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
STATE GOVERNMENT BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON SMITH)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act concerning the display of flags on public school sites
2 and public buildings.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 1B.3, Code 2020, is amended to read as
2 follows:

3 **1B.3 Flags on public buildings.**

4 1. It shall be the duty of any board of public officers
5 charged with providing supplies for a public building in the
6 state to provide a suitable state flag and it shall be the duty
7 of the custodian of that public building to raise the flags of
8 the United States of America and the state of Iowa, upon each
9 secular day when weather conditions are favorable.

10 2. A custodian of a public building in the state shall
11 only be authorized to raise the flags of the United States of
12 America, the state of Iowa, the national league of prisoner of
13 war/missing in action families, and an official flag adopted
14 by the political subdivision that owns or operates the public
15 building.

16 Sec. 2. Section 280.5, Code 2020, is amended to read as
17 follows:

18 **280.5 ~~Display of United States flag and Iowa state flag~~ flags**
19 **on school sites.**

20 1. The board of directors of each public school district
21 and the authorities in charge of each nonpublic school shall
22 provide and maintain a suitable flagstaff on each school site
23 under its control, and the United States flag and the Iowa
24 state flag shall be raised on all school days when weather
25 conditions are suitable.

26 2. The board of directors of a public school district shall
27 only be authorized to raise the flags of the United States of
28 America, the state of Iowa, the national league of prisoner of
29 war/missing in action families, and an official flag adopted
30 by the applicable board of directors of the school on the
31 flagstaff on each school site under its control.

32 **EXPLANATION**

33 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
34 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

35 This bill concerns the raising of flags on flagstuffs on

1 public school sites and on public buildings.

2 The bill provides that a custodian of a public building shall
3 only be authorized to raise the flags of the United States of
4 America, the state of Iowa, the national league of prisoner of
5 war/missing in action families, and an official flag adopted
6 by the political subdivision that owns or operates the public
7 building.

8 The bill further provides that the board of directors of
9 a public school district shall only be authorized to raise
10 the flags of the United States of America, the state of Iowa,
11 the national league of prisoner of war/missing in action
12 families, and an official flag adopted by the applicable board
13 of directors of the school on the flagstaff on each school site
14 under its control.