

By Senator Clary

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to education; authorizing district school boards to allow the delivery of an inspirational message at noncompulsory high school events; providing legislative intent; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. School boards are authorized, but not required, to permit an inspirational message, including a prayer or invocation, at noncompulsory high school activities, including student assemblies, sports events, and other school-related activities, if a majority of the students participating request an inspirational message and select a student representative to deliver the message.

Section 2. It is the purpose of this act to provide for the solemnization and memorialization of noncompulsory high school events and ceremonies.

Section 3. This act is not intended to prohibit the school or school officials from disciplining students in regard to unprotected speech or behavior that is inappropriate or disruptive.

Section 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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SENATE SUMMARY

Authorizes district school boards to allow the delivery of an inspirational message at noncompulsory high school events. Provides legislative intent.