HOUSE AMENDMENT hbd-38 Bill No. CS/HB 885 Amendment No. \_\_\_\_ (for drafter's use only) CHAMBER ACTION Senate House 1 2 3 4 5 ORIGINAL STAMP BELOW 6 7 8 9 10 Representative(s) Hogan offered the following: 11 12 13 Amendment (with title amendment) On page 2, between lines 12 & 13, of the bill 14 15 insert: 16 17 Section 2. Section 233.062, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 18 19 233.062 Permitting study of the Bible and religion; permitting brief meditation period; display of motto. --20 (1) The school board may install in the public schools 21 22 in the district a secular program of education including, but 23 not limited to, an objective study of the Bible and of 24 religion. 25 (2) The school board may provide that a brief period, not to exceed 2 minutes, for the purpose of silent prayer or 26 meditation be set aside at the start of each school day or 27 each school week in the public schools in the district. 28 29 (3) The superintendent of schools in each school 30 district shall provide for the display in a prominent location 31 within each school under his or her supervision of the motto 1 File original & 9 copies hbd0007 03/18/02 09:40 am 00885-0013-303669

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of the United States of America, "IN GOD WE TRUST," on an 1 2 appropriately framed background with minimum dimensions of 11 3 inches by 14 inches. 4 5 6 =========== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========= 7 And the title is amended as follows: remove: the entire title 8 9 10 and insert: A bill to be entitled 11 12 An act relating to public schools; creating s. 13 233.0659, F.S.; requiring Celebrate Freedom Week to be recognized in the public schools 14 15 each September; requiring a portion of the Declaration of Independence to be recited daily 16 17 by students during that week; providing for excusal of a student from performing the 18 required recitation; amending s. 233.062, F.S.; 19 directing the superintendent of schools to 20 provide for the display of the motto "IN GOD WE 21 TRUST" in a prominent location in public 22 schools; providing an effective date. 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 2

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