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11 Representative(s) Melvin, Arza, and Baxley offered the  
12 following:

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14 **Substitute Amendment for Amendment (202033) (with title**  
15 **amendment)**

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On page 1, lines 12-27

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remove: all of said lines

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19 and insert:

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233.062 Permitting study of the Bible and religion;

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permitting brief meditation period; display of motto and

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constitution.--

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(1) The school board may install in the public schools

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in the district a secular program of education including, but

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not limited to, an objective study of the Bible and of

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religion.

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(2) The school board may provide that a brief period,

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not to exceed 2 minutes, for the purpose of silent prayer or

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meditation be set aside at the start of each school day or

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each school week in the public schools in the district.

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(3) The superintendent of schools in each school

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1 district shall provide for the display in a prominent location  
 2 within each school under his or her supervision of the motto  
 3 of the United States of America, "IN GOD WE TRUST," on an  
 4 appropriately framed background with minimum dimensions of 11  
 5 inches by 14 inches.

6 (4) The superintendent of schools in each school  
 7 district may provide for the display in a prominent location  
 8 within each school under his or her supervision of s. 1, Art.  
 9 IX of the Florida Constitution providing for public education:  
 10 "The education of children is a fundamental value of the  
 11 people of the State of Florida. It is, therefore, a paramount  
 12 duty of the state to make adequate provision for the education  
 13 of all children residing within its borders. Adequate  
 14 provision shall be made by law for a uniform, efficient, safe,  
 15 secure, and high quality system of free public schools that  
 16 allows students to obtain a high quality education and for the  
 17 establishment, maintenance, and operation of institutions of  
 18 higher learning and other public education programs that the  
 19 needs of the people may require." The display of s. 1, Art. IX  
 20 of the Florida Constitution shall be posted in a separate  
 21 place from the display of the national motto and shall be on  
 22 an appropriately framed background with minimum dimensions of  
 23 11 inches by 14 inches.

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26 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

27 And the title is amended as follows:

28 On page 1, line 6 after the semicolon,

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30 insert:

31 authorizing the display of s. 1, Art. IX of the

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Florida Constitution in public schools;