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

12 following:

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14 **Substitute Amendment for Amendment (203637)**

15 **(with title**

16 **amendment)**

17 On page 1, lines 12-27,

18 remove: all of said lines

19 and insert:

20 233.062 Permitting study of the Bible and religion;

21 permitting brief meditation period; display of motto

22 constitution--

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

24 in the district a secular program of education including, but

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

26 religion.

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

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

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

30 each school week in the public schools in the district.

31 school (3) The superintendent of schools in each



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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. 2,  
Art.

9 I of the Florida Constitution providing for basic rights:  
"All

10 natural persons, female and male alike, are equal before  
the

11 law and have inalienable rights, among which are the  
right to

12 enjoy and defend life and liberty, to pursue happiness,  
to be

13 rewarded for industry, and to acquire, possess and  
protect

14 property; except that the ownership, inheritance,  
disposition

15 and possession of real property by aliens ineligible  
for

16 citizenship may be regulated or prohibited by law. No  
person

17 shall be deprived of any right because of race,  
religion,

18 national origin, or physical disability." The display of s.  
2,

19 Art. I of the Florida Constitution shall be posted in  
a

20 separate place from the display of the national motto  
and

21 shall be on an appropriately framed background with  
minimum

22 dimensions of 11 inches by 14 inches.

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25 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T  
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26 And the title is amended as follows:

27 On page 1, line 6, after the semicolon,

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29 insert:

30 authorizing the display of s. 2, Art. I of the

31 Florida Constitution in public schools;

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