95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2007 and 2008 SB1463

Introduced 2/9/2007, by Sen. Kimberly A. Lightford

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 20/1

from Ch. 122, par. 771

Amends the Silent Reflection and Student Prayer Act to require (instead of allow) a teacher to observe a brief period of silence at the opening of every school day with the participation of all pupils assembled. Effective immediately.

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A BILL FOR

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- Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:
- Section 5. The Silent Reflection and Student Prayer Act is
 amended by changing Section 1 as follows:
- 6 (105 ILCS 20/1) (from Ch. 122, par. 771)

AN ACT concerning education.

- 7 Sec. 1. In each public school classroom the teacher in
- 8 $\,$ charge $\underline{\mathrm{shall}}$ $\underline{\mathrm{may}}$ observe a brief period of silence with the
- 9 participation of all the pupils therein assembled at the
- 10 opening of every school day. This period shall not be conducted
- as a religious exercise but shall be an opportunity for silent
- 12 prayer or for silent reflection on the anticipated activities

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of the day.
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- 14 (Source: P.A. 76-21.)
- Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 16 becoming law.