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ENROLLED, An Act,

Relating to public K-12 education; to amend Section 16-43-5, Code of Alabama 1975, to require that the pledge of allegiance to the United States flag be conducted at the beginning of each school day.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Section 16-43-5 of the Code of Alabama 1975, is amended to read as follows:

"§16-43-5.

"The State Board of Education shall afford pledge of allegiance to the United States flag shall be conducted at the beginning of each school day and all students attending public kindergarten, primary, and secondary schools shall be given the opportunity each school day to voluntarily recite the pledge of allegiance to the United States flag." A student who refuses to recite the pledge of allegiance may not be punished or penalized for that refusal.

Section 2. This act shall become effective on the first day of the third month following its passage and approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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I hereby certify that the within Act originated in  
and was passed by the House 16-APR-19.

Jeff Woodard  
Clerk

Senate	07-MAY-19	Amended and Passed
House	15-MAY-19	Concurred in Senate Amendment