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SYNOPSIS

Requires in public schools instruction on the contributions of United States veterans and the observance of patriotic exercises on certain holidays.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



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This bill provides that a board of education shall include instruction on the contributions and sacrifices of United States veterans in an appropriate place in the curriculum of elementary school, middle school, and high school pupils as part of the Core Curriculum Content Standards for Social Studies. The bill directs that the Social Studies framework developed by the Department of Education must include sample learning activities and resources to enable pupils to learn about the many contributions and sacrifices of United States veterans, who have served their country with unsurpassable dedication, honor, and valor. This bill also requires that all public schools hold appropriate exercises for the development of a higher spirit of patriotism on the last school day preceding Memorial Day and Veterans Day, including instruction on the origins and historical significance of those holidays and the role of veterans in protecting and defending the United States, its people, its freedoms, and its form of government.

1 The children of this State must understand that the democratic
2 freedoms which they enjoy have not come to them without
3 sacrifice. A thorough and continuing discussion between educators
4 and students on the contributions and sacrifices of veterans is
5 necessary to provide an adequate instruction of United States
6 history and to foster the development of civic character in New
7 Jersey's students.