SECOND REGULAR SESSION SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

SENATE BILL NO. 806

93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Education, February 23, 2006, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass and be placed on the Consent Calendar.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To amend chapter 160, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the founding documents protection act.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 160, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 160.745, to read as follows:

160.745. 1. This act shall be known as "The Founding Documents Protection Act".

- 3 2. No teacher, administrator, or school board in any public
- 4 school district in this state shall be prohibited from reading or posting
- 5 in a public school building, classroom, or at a school event any excerpts
- 6 or portions of the following, including but not limited to:
- 7 (1) The preamble to the Missouri Constitution;
- 8 (2) The Declaration of Independence;
- 9 (3) The Constitution of the United States of America;
- 10 (4) The Mayflower Compact;
- 11 (5) The national motto;
- 12 (6) The national anthem;
- 13 (7) The Pledge of Allegiance;
- 14 (8) The writings, speeches, documents, and proclamations of the
- 15 founding fathers and Presidents of the United States of America;
- 16 (9) The writings, speeches, and documents relating to civil rights
- 17 leaders of the United States of America;
- 18 (10) The writings, speeches, and documents relating to the
- 19 signers of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the
- 20 United States of America;

- 21 (11) The decisions of the Supreme Court of the United States of 22 America; and
- 23 (12) Acts of the Congress of the United States of America,
- 24 including the published text of the Congressional Record.
- 3. There shall be no content-based censorship of American
- 26 history or heritage in the state of Missouri based on religious
- 27 references in the writings, documents, and records specified in this
- 28 section.

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