An Act

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 2037

By: Newberry and Russell of the Senate

and

Jordan, Luttrell, Roan, Sherrer, Proctor, Duncan and Kern of the House

An Act relating to soldiers and sailors; directing the Department of Central Services to furnish flags to the family of members of the Armed Forces killed in action; allowing for condolences by certain officials; directing the flags be mailed to surviving family; requiring purchase of flags produced by U.S. manufacturers only; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 63.11a of Title 72, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Department of Central Services shall, from the effective date of this act, furnish an Oklahoma state flag to any member of the United States Armed Forces, including the National Guard or Armed Forces reserve, who is either killed in the line of duty in a combat zone or dies of wounds inflicted in a combat zone and who, at the time of death, was a resident of this state or whose surviving spouse, or parents, if no surviving spouse, are residents of this state.

B. The Governor's office shall alert the Department of Central Services upon the death of any Oklahoma member of the United States Armed Forces. Prior to sending the flag to the deceased's spouse or parents, the Department of Central Services shall alert the deceased's member of the State Senate and House of Representatives so that a letter of condolence may be sent with the flag. The Oklahoma flag shall be mailed to the surviving spouse, or parents if no surviving spouse, by the Department of Central Services.

C. All United States flags and all Oklahoma flags purchased by the state or political subdivisions shall be manufactured in the United States.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2010.

Passed the Senate the 3rd day of March, 2010.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 5th day of April, 2010.

Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Received by the Governor this 6th

day of April, 2010,

at 2:00 o'clock P M.

By: [illegible]

Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma the 9th day of

April, 2010, at 7:10 o'clock P M.

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Governor of the State of Oklahoma

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Secretary of State this

12th day of April, 2010

at 2:21 o'clock P M.

By: M. Susan Lawrence