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**HOUSE BILL 1204**

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**State of Washington 65th Legislature 2017 Regular Session**

**By** Representatives Young, McCaslin, Shea, Taylor, and J. Walsh

AN ACT Relating to requiring the display of the national league of families' POW/MIA flag on certain days; and amending RCW 1.20.017.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

**Sec.**  RCW 1.20.017 and 2013 c 5 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Each public entity ((~~shall~~)) must display the national league of families' POW/MIA flag along with the flag of the United States and the flag of the state upon or near the principal building of the public entity on the following days: (a) Former Prisoners of War Recognition Day on April 9th; (b) Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day on March 30; ((~~(b)~~)) (c) Armed Forces Day on the third Saturday in May; ((~~(c)~~)) (d) Memorial Day on the last Monday in May; ((~~(d)~~)) (e) Flag Day on June 14; ((~~(e)~~)) (f) Independence Day on July 4; ((~~(f)~~)) (g) National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day on July 27; ((~~(g)~~)) (h) National POW/MIA Recognition Day on the third Friday in September; ((~~and (h)~~)) (i) Veterans' Day on November 11th; and (j) Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day on December 7th. If the designated day falls on a Saturday or Sunday, then the POW/MIA flag ((~~will~~)) must be displayed on the preceding Friday.

(2) The governor's veterans affairs advisory committee ((~~shall~~)) must provide information to public entities regarding the purchase and display of the POW/MIA flag upon request.

(3) As used in this section, "public entity" means every state agency, including each institution of higher education, and every county, city, and town.

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