

HOUSE BILL No. 2694

By Representative Siegfried

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Proposed Amendment for HB 2694  
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1 AN ACT concerning the state capitol building; requiring the establishment  
2 of ~~an all faiths chapel~~ a capitol meditation room

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4 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

5 Section 1. (a) The legislature declares that:

6 (1) Belief in God, prayer ~~and meditation~~ have played a significant  
7 part of the history and culture of the United States since its founding;

8 (2) belief in God, prayer and meditation have played a significant role  
9 in the history and culture of the state of Kansas since its founding;

10 (3) the historical importance of the right to worship God according to  
11 the dictates of one's conscience and of prayer and meditation is reflected in  
12 section 7 of the bill of rights of the constitution of the state of Kansas and  
13 in the practice of beginning each daily session in the Kansas house of  
14 representatives and senate with a prayer; and

15 (4) Kansas has a history of setting aside space in the state capitol for  
16 a place of prayer and meditation.

17 (b) ~~The legislative coordinating council shall reestablish an all faiths~~  
18 ~~chapel as a place reserved for prayer and meditation in the state capitol~~  
19 ~~building.~~

20 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
21 publication in the statute book.

or

a capitol meditation room

(c) All costs associated with the construction, remodeling and furnishing of such meditation room shall be paid for by private donation. All donations shall either be made by anonymous means or, if not made by anonymous means, the names of such donors shall be kept confidential.

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