

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 282

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES SHUMAKE (Sponsor), HANSEN, ROWLAND, BROWN, BAHR,
REDMON, HOUGHTON AND WALKER (Co-sponsors).

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 170, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the use of religious books in public schools.

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

Section A. Chapter 170, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 170.340, to read as follows:

2 **170.340. Books of a religious nature may be used in the classroom as part of**
2 **instruction in elective courses in literature and history, so long as such books are not used**
3 **in a manner so as to violate the establishment clause of the United States Constitution.**

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.