

AN AMENDMENT TO PROTECT THE DISPLAY OF RELIGIOUS TEXTS ON PUBLIC PROPERTY

Be it Enacted by the People of the State of Colorado as an amendment to the state Constitution, that:

Section 1. Nothing in this Constitution or in the Constitution of the United States shall be interpreted to prohibit the display of religious texts like “In God We Trust,” the Ten Commandments or other religious texts or symbols of any religion on public property for educational, historical or secular purposes.

Section 2. This act shall not be interpreted to conflict with existing state or federal law for the display of religious texts or symbols on public property. Unless there is a change in existing law, this act shall not be interpreted to permit the display of the Ten Commandments on public school property.

Section 3. The display of religious texts or symbols on public property shall not be construed to indicate any support, approval, or sanction by the State of Colorado, any political subdivision thereof, municipal corporation, governmental entity of any description, or any agent or employee of any governmental entity, of the contents of any such display or be an unconstitutional use of public property, or be the promotion of or the establishment of or the preference for any religion or religious belief.

Section 4. The provisions of this act are severable. If any part of this act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, that declaration shall not affect the part which remains.