The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Jerry G. Jones.

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<u>Proposed law</u> provides that a political subdivision may open proceedings with a voluntary prayer. However, no official or standard prayer shall be used or adopted.

<u>Proposed law</u> further provides that <u>proposed law</u> is intended to reflect the tradition and practice of ceremonial invocations that are meant to lend gravity to a public occasion. The implementation of the <u>proposed law</u> shall be neutral toward religion, and shall not be intended nor interpreted as state support of or interference with religion or promoted as a religious exercise.

Effective August 1, 2016.

(Adds R.S. 33:9682)