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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
150th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE BILL NO. 271

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

1 Section 1. Amend § 408, Title 29 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and
2 insertions as shown by underline as follows:

3 § 408. Display of POW/MIA flag.

4 State agencies, including all public schools, shall cause a POW/MIA flag to be displayed out-of-doors (weather
5 permitting) on its installation, grounds or campus at each location on Armed Forces Day, the third Saturday in May;
6 Memorial Day, the last Monday in May; Flag Day, June 14th, Independence Day, July 4th, National POW/MIA Recognition
7 Day, and Veterans Day, November 11th. This section shall apply only where public buildings, including school buildings
8 are equipped with flagpoles.

SYNOPSIS

The National League of Families POW/MIA flag, is "a symbol of our Nation's concern and commitment to resolving as fully as possible the fates of Americans still prisoners, missing, or unaccounted for in all U.S. wars" 36. U.S.C. 902. In 1989 the United States required the National League of Families POW/MIA flag be flown on Armed Forces Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, National POW/MIA Recognition Day, and Veterans Day. In 2012, Delaware required the National POW/MIA flag to be flown on National POW/MIA Recognition Day. This bill expands the dates on which the flag shall be flown, consistent with federal law and Delawareans' commitment to our veterans.