

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to flag etiquette; creating s.
 3 256.015, F.S.; requiring that the Governor adopt a
 4 protocol on flag display; requiring the protocol to
 5 have guidelines for proper flag display and for
 6 lowering the state flag to half-staff on certain
 7 occasions; authorizing the Governor to adopt, repeal,
 8 or modify any rule or custom as the Governor deems
 9 appropriate which pertains to the display of the state
 10 flag; providing an effective date.

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 12 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 14 Section 1. Section 256.015, Florida Statutes, is created
 15 to read:

16 256.015 Display of flag.-

17 (1) The Governor shall adopt a protocol on flag display.
 18 The protocol must provide guidelines for the proper display of
 19 the state flag and for the lowering of the state flag to half-
 20 staff on appropriate occasions, such as on holidays and upon the
 21 death of high-ranking state officials, uniformed law enforcement
 22 and fire service personnel, military servicemembers, and
 23 prominent citizens.

24 (2) The Governor may adopt, repeal, or modify any rule or
 25 custom as the Governor deems appropriate which pertains to the
 26 display of the state flag.

27 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.