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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to prohibited displays of the
3 Confederate flag or emblem; creating s. 256.101, F.S.;
4 prohibiting the display of flags and emblems
5 associated with the Confederate States of America on
6 any publicly owned or leased property; providing for
7 injunctive relief and attorney fees; providing an
8 effective date.

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

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12 Section 1. Section 256.101, Florida Statutes, is created to
13 read:

14 256.101 Display of Confederate flag or emblem on publicly
15 owned or leased property prohibited.-

16 (1) The display of the flag or emblem of the Confederate
17 States of America or any flag or emblem used by the Confederate
18 States of America or its military or naval forces at any time
19 within the years 1860 to 1865 on any building, structure, real
20 property, or personal property owned or leased by the state, a
21 county, a municipality, or other governmental unit of this state
22 is prohibited.

23 (2) An interested party may bring a civil action for
24 injunctive relief to enjoin the display of a flag or emblem
25 prohibited by this section. The prevailing party in such action
26 is entitled to recover reasonable attorney fees.

27 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.