

By Senator Rouson

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Florida Slavery Memorial;
3 creating s. 265.006, F.S.; providing legislative
4 intent; establishing the Florida Slavery Memorial;
5 providing for administration of the memorial by the
6 Department of Management Services; directing the
7 department to develop a specified plan for the design,
8 placement, and cost of the memorial and submit the
9 plan to the Governor and Legislature; providing an
10 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 265.006, Florida Statutes, is created to
15 read:

16 265.006 Florida Slavery Memorial.-

17 (1) It is the intent of the Legislature to recognize the
18 fundamental injustice, cruelty, brutality, and inhumanity of
19 slavery in the United States and the American Colonies and to
20 honor the nameless and forgotten men, women, and children who
21 have gone unrecognized for their undeniable and weighty
22 contributions to the United States.

23 (2) There is established the Florida Slavery Memorial.

24 (a) The memorial is administered by the Department of
25 Management Services.

26 (b) The Department of Management Services shall develop a
27 plan for the design, placement, and cost of the memorial. The
28 plan shall include the designation of an appropriate public area
29 for the memorial on the premises of the Capitol Complex, as

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30 defined in s. 281.01, not including the State Capital Circle
31 Office Complex. The department shall consider the
32 recommendations of the Florida Historical Commission as required
33 pursuant to ss. 265.111 and 267.0612(9) and shall coordinate
34 with the Division of Historical Resources of the Department of
35 State in developing the plan. By November 1, 2018, the
36 department shall submit the plan to the Governor, the President
37 of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

38 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.