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| 11 | Senator Silver moved the following amendment: | | |
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| 13 | Senate Amendment (with title amendment) | | |
| 14 | On page 4, between lines 20 and 21, | | |
| 15 | | | |
| 16 | insert: | | |
| 17 | Section 2. Section 265.2867, Florida Statutes, is | | |
| 18 | created to read: | | |
| 19 | <u>265.2867 Official Florida Treasures Program.--</u> | | |
| 20 | <u>(1) It is the intent of the Legislature to honor the</u> | | |
| 21 | <u>cultural, historical, and social treasures of Florida by</u> | | |
| 22 | <u>encouraging the preservation and public display of objects of</u> | | |
| 23 | <u>significant cultural, historical and social importance to the</u> | | |
| 24 | <u>state. Further, it is the intent of the Legislature to</u> | | |
| 25 | <u>encourage research of the cultures and histories of the</u> | | |
| 26 | <u>various groups that have settled in Florida and to encourage</u> | | |
| 27 | <u>the dissemination of information on these diverse cultures and</u> | | |
| 28 | <u>histories throughout the state. In furtherance of this goal,</u> | | |
| 29 | <u>it is the intent of the Legislature to recognize and honor the</u> | | |
| 30 | <u>museums that make significant contributions to the public by</u> | | |
| 31 | <u>preserving and displaying objects of cultural, historical or</u> | | |

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1 social significance and by disseminating important cultural,
2 historical, and social information.

3 (2) There is created within the Department of State
4 the Official Florida Treasures Program. Under this program,
5 the Department of State may designate a museum as an "Official
6 Florida Treasure."

7 (3) An "Official Florida Treasure" is a museum that
8 maintains, preserves and displays for public viewing objects
9 of significant cultural, historical, or social importance,
10 that researches and disseminates information related to the
11 culture and history of one or more of the various groups of
12 people that have settled in Florida, and that has been
13 designated by the Department of State as an organization that
14 meets the requirements of this act.

15 (4) In order for a museum to be designated as an
16 "Official Florida Treasure" by the Department of State that
17 museum must:

18 (a) Be devoted to the maintenance, preservation, and
19 public display of objects of significant cultural, historical,
20 or social value to the state;

21 (b) Be dedicated to preserving the history of any
22 racial, ethnic, or cultural group that has settled in Florida
23 and provide information and actively research or support
24 research related to the history in Florida of that racial,
25 ethnic, or cultural group;

26 (c) Provide for statewide outreach programs and
27 traveling exhibits;

28 (d) Be open to the public and, if memberships in the
29 museum or its support organization are offered, offer
30 memberships to the public regardless of race, ethnicity,
31 color, creed, gender, or national origin;

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1 (e) Have strong local and statewide support as
2 evidenced by, but not limited to, participation in the state's
3 Cultural Endowment Program and membership from throughout the
4 state.

5 (f) Be fiscally responsible and financially stable;
6 and

7 (g) Be a recipient of a designation under s. 501(c)(3)
8 of the Internal Revenue Code.

9 (5) The Department of State shall adopt rules to
10 implement this section, including rules prescribing the
11 process by which applications for the designation of "Official
12 Florida Treasure" are made, reviewed, and approved. This
13 process may include the designation of an advisory committee
14 to review applications and make recommendations to the
15 Secretary of State for final determination.

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17 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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21 And the title is amended as follows:

22 On page 1, line 17, after the semicolon,

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24 insert:

25 creating s. 265.2867, F.S.; providing
26 legislative intent; creating the Official
27 Florida Treasures Program; authorizing the
28 Department of State to designate an
29 organization that meets specific standards as
30 an Official Florida Treasure; creating the
31 standards to be followed by the department in

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1 the review process; authorizing the department
2 to adopt rules;
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