

By Senator Silver

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Official Florida
3 Treasures Program; creating s. 265.2867, F.S.;
4 providing legislative intent; creating the
5 Official Florida Treasures Program; authorizing
6 the Department of State to designate an object
7 or organization as an Official Florida
8 Treasure; authorizing the department to adopt
9 rules; providing an effective date.

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

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13 Section 1. Section 265.2867, Florida Statutes, is
14 created to read:15 265.2867 Official Florida Treasures Program.--16 (1) It is the intent of the Legislature to honor the
17 cultural, historical, and social treasures of this state and
18 to recognize those organizations that provide significant
19 contributions to preserving these treasures.20 (2)(a) There is created within the Department of State
21 the Official Florida Treasures Program.22 (b) Under this program, the Department of State may
23 designate an object that is of significant cultural,
24 historical, or social value to this state, or an organization
25 that provides significant contributions to preserving such an
26 item, as an "Official Florida Treasure." The Department of
27 State shall establish, by rule, criteria for the designation
28 of an object or organization as an "Official Florida
29 Treasure."30 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
31 law.

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SENATE SUMMARY

Creates the Official Florida Treasures Program. Provides legislative intent. Authorizes the Department of State to designate an object or organization as an Official Florida Treasure. Authorizes the department to adopt rules.