Florida Senate - 2008

By the Committee on Governmental Operations; and Senator Lawson

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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to cultural and historical programs;
3	creating s. 265.7025, F.S.; providing definitions;
4	amending s. 265.703, F.S.; providing for more than one
5	citizen support organization; adding historical and museum
6	programs to those programs that can be assisted by the
7	citizen support organizations of the Division of Cultural
8	Affairs of the Department of State; revising the name of
9	the trust fund into which funds are deposited; providing
10	that information of the citizen support organization for
11	the Museum of Florida History which is confidential and
12	exempt pursuant to s. 267.17, F.S., retains its status;
13	creating s. 265.704, F.S.; providing powers and duties of
14	the Division of Cultural Affairs related to historical
15	museums; creating s. 265.705, F.S.; providing state policy
16	relating to historic properties; creating s. 265.706,
17	F.S.; authorizing the division to acquire, maintain,
18	preserve, interpret, exhibit, and make available for study
19	certain objects having historical or archaeological value;
20	vesting title of such objects in the division; requiring
21	maintenance of records; requiring inventory of objects of
22	specified value; authorizing the division to loan,
23	exchange, sell, or otherwise transfer certain objects;
24	providing exemptions from ch. 273, F.S.; providing for
25	deposit and use of funds; requiring the adoption of rules;
26	providing a penalty for certain violations by a custodian;
27	providing for insuring of certain items; amending and
28	renumbering s. 267.072, F.S., relating to the Museum of
29	Florida History and its programs; transferring the

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30 responsibility for and administration of the Museum of 31 Florida History, its programs, and the citizen support 32 organization for the museum from the Division of Historical Resources to the Division of Cultural Affairs; 33 34 providing for the operation of additional stores 35 associated with the Museum of Florida History; authorizing 36 the Division of Cultural Affairs to operate other 37 historical museums; conforming provisions to changes made 38 by the act; amending and renumbering s. 267.0619, F.S., 39 relating to historical museum grants under the Division of 40 Historical Resources of the Department of State; 41 transferring the grant program to the Division of Cultural 42 Affairs; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; 43 providing that a for-profit corporation, partnership, or 44 organization is ineligible for receipt of such grants; creating s. 265.709, F.S.; authorizing the Division of 45 Cultural Affairs to promote and encourage the writing of 46 47 Florida history through certain activities; authorizing 48 the collecting, editing, and publishing of documents 49 related to Florida history; authorizing the division to 50 establish a reasonable charge for such publications; 51 providing for such proceeds to be deposited in the Grants 52 and Donations Trust Fund or certain separate depository 53 accounts; amending s. 267.0612, F.S.; providing a uniform 54 starting date for all appointments to the Florida 55 Historical Commission; amending s. 267.071, F.S.; removing 56 the Museum of Florida History as one of the historical museums that the Division of Historical Resources is 57 58 required to encourage, promote, maintain, and operate;

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59 amending s. 267.0731, F.S.; adding representatives of the 60 Secretary of State to the list of representatives on the ad hoc committee responsible for making recommendations 61 62 for Great Floridian nominations; deleting references to 63 the citizen support organization for the Museum of Florida 64 History; deleting responsibilities of the Museum of 65 Florida History; requiring the Department of State to be 66 the repository of certain films or videotapes produced 67 concerning a Great Floridian as well as certain items 68 related to such productions; repealing s. 267.174, F.S., 69 relating to the Discovery of Florida Quincentennial 70 Commemoration Commission; amending s. 272.129, F.S.; 71 authorizing a citizen support organization for the 72 Legislative Research Center and Museum at the Historic 73 Capitol, which is known as the "center"; requiring the 74 citizen support organization to be a corporation not for 75 profit; authorizing the citizen support organization to 76 perform certain tasks for the direct and indirect benefit 77 of the center; authorizing the center to prescribe 78 conditions with which the citizen support organization 79 must comply in order to use fixed property or facilities 80 of the center; prohibiting the center from permitting a 81 citizen support organization to use the center's 82 facilities under certain conditions; requiring that the 83 citizen support organization provide for an annual audit; 84 providing that records of the organization are public 85 records; requiring that certain funds be deposited into 86 the account of the citizen support organization; providing

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87	for reversion of funds to the state under certain
88	circumstances; providing an effective date.
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90	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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92	Section 1. Section 265.7025, Florida Statutes, is created
93	to read:
94	265.7025 Definitions relating to historic programsFor
95	the purposes of ss. 265.7025-265.709, the term:
96	(1) "Agency" means any state, county, or municipal officer,
97	department, division, board, bureau, commission, or other
98	separate unit of government created or established by law.
99	(2) "Division" means the Division of Cultural Affairs of
100	the Department of State.
101	(3) "Florida history museum" means a public or private
102	nonprofit institution that is established permanently in this
103	state for the purpose of promoting and encouraging knowledge and
104	appreciation of Florida history through the collection,
105	preservation, exhibition, and interpretation of artifacts and
106	other historical properties related to Florida history and the
107	primary role of which is to collect and care for artifacts and
108	other objects of intrinsic historical or archaeological value and
109	exhibit them regularly through a facility or facilities owned or
110	operated by the institution.
111	(4) "Historic property" or "historic resource" means any
112	prehistoric or historic district, site, building, object, or
113	other real or personal property of historical, architectural, or
114	archaeological value, and folklife resources. These properties or
115	resources may include, but are not limited to, monuments,

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116 memorials, Indian habitations, ceremonial sites, abandoned 117 settlements, sunken or abandoned ships, engineering works, 118 treasure troves, artifacts, or other objects having intrinsic historical or archaeological value, or any part thereof, relating 119 120 to the history, government, or culture of the state. 121 (5) "Preservation" or "historic preservation" means the 122 identification, evaluation, recordation, documentation, analysis, 123 recovery, interpretation, curation, acquisition, protection, 124 management, rehabilitation, restoration, stabilization, 125 maintenance, or reconstruction of historic properties. 126 Section 2. Section 265.703, Florida Statutes, is amended to 127 read: 128 265.703 Citizen support organizations organization; use of 129 state administrative services and property; audit .--(1) CITIZEN SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS ORGANIZATION. -- The 130 131 division may support the establishment of a citizen support 132 organizations organization to provide assistance, funding, and 133 promotional support for the cultural, and arts, historical, and 134 museum programs of the division. For the purposes of this section, a "citizen support organization" means an organization 135 136 which is: 137 (a) A Florida corporation not for profit incorporated under 138 the provisions of chapter 617 and approved by the Department of 139 State. 140 Organized and operated to conduct programs and (b) 141 activities; raise funds; request and receive grants, gifts, and 142 bequests of money; acquire, receive, hold, invest, and 143 administer, in its own name, securities, funds, objects of value, or other property, real or personal; and make expenditures to or 144

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145 for the direct or indirect benefit of the division or individual 146 program units of the division.

147 (c) Determined by the division to be consistent with the148 goals of the division and in the best interests of the state.

(d) Approved in writing by the division to operate for the
direct or indirect benefit of the division. Such approval shall
be given in a letter of agreement from the division.

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(2) USE OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND PROPERTY.--

153 The division may fix and collect charges for the rental (a) 154 of facilities and properties managed by the division and may 155 permit, without charge, appropriate use of administrative services, property, and facilities of the division by a citizen 156 157 support organization, subject to the provisions of this section. 158 Such use must be directly in keeping with the approved purposes 159 of the citizen support organization and may not be made at times 160 or places that would unreasonably interfere with opportunities 161 for the general public to use such facilities for established 162 purposes. Any moneys received from rentals of facilities and properties managed by the division may be held in the Grants and 163 164 Donations Trust Fund operating trust fund of the division or in a 165 separate depository account in the name of the citizen support 166 organization and subject to the provisions of the letter of 167 agreement with the division. The letter of agreement shall 168 provide that any funds held in the separate depository account in 169 the name of the citizen support organization shall revert to the 170 division if the citizen support organization is no longer 171 approved by the division to operate in the best interests of the 172 state.

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(b) The division may prescribe by rule any condition with

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174	which a citizen support organization shall comply in order to use
175	division administrative services, property, or facilities.
176	(c) The division shall not permit the use of any
177	administrative services, property, or facilities of the state by
178	a citizen support organization which does not provide equal
179	membership and employment opportunities to all persons regardless
180	of race, color, religion, sex, age, or national origin.
181	(3) ANNUAL AUDITThe citizen support organization shall
182	provide for an annual financial audit in accordance with s.
183	215.981. Information of the Museum of Florida History citizen
184	support organization which is confidential and exempt pursuant to
185	s. 267.17 shall retain its confidential and exempt status.
186	Section 3. Section 265.704, Florida Statutes, is created to
187	read:
188	265.704 Historical museums; powers and duties of the
189	Division of Cultural Affairs
190	(1) The division shall adopt rules pursuant to s.
191	120.536(1) and s. 120.54 to administer the provisions of ss.
192	265.7025-265.709.
193	(2) The division may make and enter into all contracts and
194	agreements with other agencies, organizations, associations,
195	corporations, and individuals or with federal agencies as it may
196	determine are necessary, expedient, or incidental to the
197	performance of its duties or the execution of its powers under
198	<u>ss. 265.7025-265.709.</u>
199	(3) The division may accept gifts, grants, bequests, loans,
200	and endowments for purposes not inconsistent with its
201	responsibilities under this chapter. The division may also
202	establish an endowment that is consistent with the

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(4) It is the duty of the division to:

responsibilities under ss. 265.7025-265.709.

205 (a) Promote and encourage throughout the state knowledge 206 and appreciation of Florida history by encouraging the people of 207 the state to engage in the preservation and care of artifacts, 208 museum items, treasure troves, and other historical properties; 209 the collection, research, fabrication, exhibition, preservation, and interpretation of historical materials; the publicizing of 210 211 the state's history through public information media; and other 212 activities in historical and allied fields.

(b) Encourage, promote, maintain, and operate historical museums, including, but not limited to, mobile museums, junior museums, and the Museum of Florida History in the state capital.

(c) Plan and develop, in cooperation with other state
 agencies and with municipalities, programs to promote and
 encourage the teaching of Florida's history and heritage in
 Florida schools and other educational institutions and other such
 educational programs as may be appropriate.

221 (d) Establish professional standards for the preservation, 222 exclusive of acquisition, of historical resources in state 223 ownership or control.

(e) Take such other actions as are necessary or appropriate
 to locate, acquire, protect, preserve, operate, interpret, and
 promote the location, acquisition, protection, preservation,
 operation, and interpretation of historical resources to foster
 an appreciation of Florida history and culture.

229 Section 4. Section 265.705, Florida Statutes, is created to 230 read:

265.705 State policy relative to historical

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232	propertiesThe rich and unique heritage of historical
233	properties in this state, representing more than 10,000 years of
234	human presence, is an important legacy to be valued and conserved
235	for present and future generations. The destruction of these
236	nonrenewable historical resources will engender a significant
237	loss to the state's quality of life, economy, and cultural
238	environment. It is therefore declared to be state policy to
239	provide leadership in the preservation of the state's historical
240	resources and to administer state-owned or state-controlled
241	historical resources in a spirit of stewardship and trusteeship.
242	Section 5. Section 265.706, Florida Statutes, is created to
243	read:
244	265.706 Objects of historical or archaeological valueThe
245	division shall acquire, maintain, preserve, interpret, exhibit,
246	and make available for study objects that have intrinsic
247	historical or archaeological value relating to the history,
248	government, or culture of the state. Such objects may include
249	tangible personal property of historical or archaeological value.
250	Objects acquired under this section belong to the state and title
251	to such objects is vested in the division.
252	(1) Notwithstanding s. 273.02, the division shall maintain
253	an adequate record of all objects in its custody which have a
254	historical or archaeological value. Once each year, on July 1 or
255	as soon thereafter as practicable, the division shall take a
256	complete inventory of all such objects in its custody the current
257	value or cost of which is \$1,000 or more and a sample inventory
258	of such objects the current value or cost of which is less than
259	\$1,000. Each inventory shall be compared with the property record
260	and all discrepancies shall be traced and reconciled. Objects of

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261 historical or archaeological value are not required to be

262 identified by marking or other physical alteration of the

263 objects.

264 (2) The division may arrange for the temporary or permanent 265 loan of any object that has historical or archaeological value in 266 its custody. Such loans shall be for the purpose of assisting 267 historical, archaeological, or other studies; providing objects 268 relating to interpretive exhibits and other educational programs 269 that promote knowledge and appreciation of Florida history and 270 the programs of the division; or assisting the division in 271 carrying out its responsibility to ensure proper curation of the 272 objects.

273 (3) The division may determine from time to time that an 274 object in its custody and owned by the state has no further use 275 or value for the research, exhibit, or educational programs of 276 the division, or that such an object will receive more 277 appropriate maintenance and preservation by another agency, 278 institution, or organization, and may loan, exchange, sell, or 279 otherwise transfer ownership and custody of such object to 280 another agency, institution, or organization for the purpose of 281 ensuring the continued maintenance and preservation of such 282 object, or for the purpose of acquiring another object that 283 better serves the interests of the state and is more appropriate 284 for promoting knowledge and appreciation of Florida history and 285 the programs of the division.

286 (4) For the purpose of the exchange, sale, or other 287 transfer of objects of historical or archaeological value, the 288 division is exempt from chapter 273. 289

(5) All moneys received from the sale of an object that has

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290 historical or archaeological value pursuant to subsection (3) 291 shall be deposited in the Grants and Donations Trust Fund and 292 shall be used exclusively for the acquisition of additional 293 historical and archaeological objects or the preservation and 294 maintenance of any such objects in the custody of the division. 295 (6) The division shall adopt rules pursuant to ss. 296 120.536(1) and 120.54 which prescribe criteria for the inventory 297 and for the loan, exchange, sale, transfer, or other disposal of 298 state-owned objects of historical or archaeological value. 299 (7) Any custodian as defined in s. 273.01(1) who violates 300 any provision of this section or any rule adopted pursuant to 301 this section commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, 302 punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. 303 (8) Notwithstanding any provision of s. 287.022 or s. 287.025(1)(e), the division may enter into contracts to insure 304 305 museum collections, artifacts, exhibitions, relics, and fine arts 306 that are loaned to it or to which it holds title. Section 6. Section 267.072, Florida Statutes, is renumbered 307 308 as section 265.707, Florida Statutes, and amended to read: 309 265.707 267.072 Museum of Florida History and programs; 310 other historical museums. --311 (1) The division is authorized to operate the Museum of 312 Florida History and other historical museums. 313 (2) (1) The division shall establish and administer a museum 314 store in the Museum of Florida History to provide information and materials relating to museum exhibits, collections, and programs 315 316 to the public and may operate additional stores associated with 317 the museum. The store may produce, acquire, and sell craft products, replicas and reproductions of artifacts, documents, and 318

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319 other merchandise relating to historical and cultural resources 320 and may make a reasonable charge for such merchandise. All 321 proceeds received from sales must be deposited into the Grants 322 and Donations Historical Resources Operating Trust Fund or, funds 323 in excess of the amount required to pay employees involved in the 324 direct management of the museum store, may be deposited into a 325 bank account of the citizen support organization created pursuant to s. 265.703 s. 267.17 and may only be used only to support the 326 327 programs of the Museum of Florida History. The museum store may 328 enter into agreements and accept credit-card payments as 329 compensation for goods and products sold. The division may 330 establish accounts in credit-card banks for the deposit of 331 credit-card sales invoices and to pay discounts and service 332 charges in connection with the use of credit cards.

333 (3) (2) The division shall support the establishment and 334 operation of a nonprofit organization or association established pursuant to s. 265.703 s. 267.17 to promote and encourage 335 336 knowledge and appreciation of Florida history and the programs of 337 the Museum of Florida History and to cooperate with historical 338 societies and other organizations to provide funding and 339 promotional support for the programs of the museum. Such 340 organization or association may, with the consent of the 341 division, operate the museum store or conduct special events and 342 programs in the museum. All proceeds must be used to support the 343 programs of the Museum of Florida History.

344 <u>(4)(3)</u> The division shall deposit gifts and donations for 345 the purpose of assisting the Museum of Florida History and its 346 programs in the <u>Grants and Donations</u> Historical Resources 347 Operating Trust Fund to be used exclusively for the benefit of

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348 programs of the museum and in a manner consistent with any terms 349 or conditions agreed to by the division in accepting such gifts.

350 Section 7. Section 267.0619, Florida Statutes, is 351 renumbered as section 265.708, Florida Statutes, and amended to 352 read:

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265.708 267.0619 Historical Museum Grants.--

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(1) The division may conduct a program to provide:

355 (1)(a) Grants from the Historical Resources Operating Trust 356 Fund, including matching grants, to a department or agency of the 357 state; a unit of county, municipal, or other local government; or 358 a public or private profit or nonprofit corporation, partnership, 359 or other organization to assist in the development of public 360 educational exhibits relating to the historical resources of 361 Florida; and

(b) Grants from the Historical Resources Operating Trust
 Fund to Florida history museums that are not state-operated to
 assist such museums in paying for operating costs.

365 (2) In order to be eligible to receive a grant from the
366 trust fund to assist in paying operating costs, a Florida history
367 museum must fulfill the following criteria:

(a) The mission of the museum must relate directly and
primarily to the history of Florida. If the museum has more than
one mission, the museum is eligible to receive a grant for that
portion of the operating costs which is reasonably attributable
to its mission relating to the history of Florida;

(b) The museum must have been operating and open to the public for at least 180 days each year during the 2-year period immediately preceding the date upon which the museum applies for the grant;

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377 (c) The museum must be open and providing museum services378 to the public for at least 180 days each year; and

(d) The museum must currently employ, and must have employed during the 2-year period immediately preceding the date upon which the museum applies for the grant, at least one fulltime staff member or the equivalent thereof whose primary responsibility is to acquire, maintain, and exhibit to the public objects that are owned by, or are on loan to, the museum.

385 An application for a grant must be made to the division (3) on a form provided by the division. The division shall adopt 386 387 rules prescribing categories of grants, application requirements, 388 criteria and procedures for the review and evaluation of 389 applications, and other procedures necessary for the 390 administration of the program, subject to the requirements of 391 this section. Grant review panels appointed by the Secretary of 392 State and chaired by a member of the Florida Historical 393 Commission or a designee appointed by the commission's presiding 394 officer shall review each application for a museum grant-in-aid. 395 The review panel shall submit to the Secretary of State for 396 approval lists of all applications that are recommended by the 397 panel for the award of grants, arranged in order of priority. The 398 division may award a grant to a Florida history museum only if 399 the award has been approved by the Secretary of State.

400 (4) <u>Grants</u> Money received as an appropriation or
401 contribution to the grants program must be deposited into the
402 Historical Resources Operating Trust Fund. Money appropriated
403 from general revenue to the trust fund for the program may not be
404 <u>awarded</u> granted to a private for-profit museum <u>or used</u>. Money
405 appropriated from any source to the trust fund for the program

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585-06004-08 20082660c1 406 may not be granted to pay the cost of locating, identifying, 407 evaluating, acquiring, preserving, protecting, restoring, 408 rehabilitating, stabilizing, or excavating an archaeological or historic site or a historic building or the planning of any of 409 those activities. 410 411 (5) The division may grant moneys quarterly from the 412 Historical Resources Operating Trust Fund to history museums in 413 advance of an exhibit or program for which the moneys are 414 granted. 415 Section 8. Section 265.709, Florida Statutes, is created to 416 read: 417 265.709 Publications. -- The division may promote and 418 encourage the writing of Florida history and collect, edit, publish, and print pamphlets, papers, manuscripts, documents, 419 420 books, monographs, and other materials relating to Florida 421 history. The division may establish a reasonable charge for such 422 publications and shall hold any moneys received from the sale of 423 publications in the Grants and Donations Trust Fund or in a 424 separate depository account in the name of a citizen support 425 organization formed pursuant to s. 265.703 and subject to the 426 provision of a letter of agreement with the division. 427 Section 9. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 428 267.0612, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 429 267.0612 Florida Historical Commission; creation; membership; powers and duties. -- In order to enhance public 430 431 participation and involvement in the preservation and protection

432 of the state's historic and archaeological sites and properties,
433 there is created within the Department of State the "Florida
434 Historical Commission." The commission shall serve in an advisory

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435 capacity to the director of the Division of Historical Resources
436 to assist the director in carrying out the purposes, duties, and
437 responsibilities of the division, as specified in this chapter.

438 (1) (a)1. The commission shall be composed of 11 members. 439 Seven members shall be appointed by the Governor in consultation 440 with the Secretary of State, two members shall be appointed by 441 the President of the Senate, and two members shall be appointed 442 by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Of the seven 443 members appointed by the Governor, one member must be a licensed 444 architect who has expertise in historic preservation and 445 architectural history; one member must be a professional 446 historian in the field of American history; one member must be a 447 professional architectural historian; one member must be an archaeologist specializing in the field of prehistory; and one 448 449 member must be an archaeologist specializing in the historic 450 period. The remaining two members appointed by the Governor and 451 the two members appointed by the President of the Senate and the 452 Speaker of the House of Representatives, respectively, must be representatives of the general public with demonstrated interest 453 454 in the preservation of Florida's historical and archaeological 455 heritage. At least one member of the commission shall be a 456 resident of a county that has a population of 75,000 or fewer.

457 <u>2. After June 30, 2008, terms of appointment shall begin on</u>
 458 <u>January 1 of the year of appointment.</u>

459 Section 10. Subsection (2) of section 267.071, Florida460 Statutes, is amended to read:

461 267.071 Historical museums.--It is the duty of the division 462 to:

(2) Encourage, promote, maintain, and operate historical

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464 museums, including, but not limited to, mobile museums <u>and</u>, 465 junior museums, and the Museum of Florida History in the state 466 capital.

467 Section 11. paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (1) and 468 paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 267.0731, Florida 469 Statutes, are amended to read:

470 267.0731 Great Floridians Program.--The division shall 471 establish and administer a program, to be entitled the Great 472 Floridians Program, which shall be designed to recognize and 473 record the achievements of Floridians, living and deceased, who 474 have made major contributions to the progress and welfare of this 475 state.

476 (1)The division shall nominate present or former citizens 477 of this state, living or deceased, who during their lives have 478 made major contributions to the progress of the nation or this 479 state and its citizens. Nominations shall be submitted to the 480 Secretary of State who shall select from those nominated not less 481 than two persons each year who shall be honored with the 482 designation "Great Floridian," provided no person whose 483 contributions have been through elected or appointed public 484 service shall be selected while holding any such office.

(b) In formulating its nominations, the division shall also seek the assistance of the organization acting in the capacity as a citizen support organization of the division, pursuant to s. 267.17 and approved to act on behalf of the Museum of Florida History.

490 (b) (c) Annually, the division shall convene an ad hoc
491 committee composed of representatives of the Governor, each
492 member of the Florida Cabinet, the President of the Senate, the

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493 Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the <u>Secretary of</u> 494 <u>State organization described in paragraph (b)</u>. This committee 495 shall meet at least twice. The committee shall nominate not fewer 496 than two persons whose names shall be submitted to the Secretary 497 of State with the recommendation that they be honored with the 498 designation "Great Floridian."

(2) Upon designation of a person as a Great Floridian by
the Secretary of State, the division shall undertake appropriate
activities intended to achieve wide public knowledge of the
person designated.

(a) The division may seek to initiate production of a film or videotape depicting the life and contributions of the designee to this state and to the nation. If technology surpasses the use of film or videotape, another medium of equal quality may be used.

508 1. In the production of such films, the division shall seek 509 cooperation from local volunteers throughout the state and, in 510 particular, shall seek fundraising and other assistance of the 511 citizen support organization created pursuant to s. 267.17 to 512 support the programs of the Museum of Florida History.

513 <u>1.2.</u> The <u>Department of State</u> <u>Museum of Florida History</u> 514 shall be the repository of the original negative, the original 515 master tape, and all cuttings, of any film or videotape produced 516 under the authority of this paragraph. The division also may 517 exercise the right of trademark over the terms "Great Floridian" 518 or "Great Floridians" pursuant to s. 286.031.

519 <u>2.3</u>. The division shall arrange for the distribution of 520 copies of all films to the general public, public television 521 stations, educational institutions, and others and may establish

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522	a reasonable charge to recover costs associated with production
523	and to provide a source of revenue to assist with reproduction,
524	marketing, and distribution of Great Floridians films. Proceeds
525	from such charges shall be deposited into the Historical
526	Resources Operating Trust Fund.
527	Section 12. Section 267.174, Florida Statutes, is repealed.
528	Section 13. Subsection (4) is added to section 272.129,
529	Florida Statutes, to read:
530	272.129 Florida Historic Capitol; space allocation;
531	maintenance, repair, and security
532	(4)(a) The Legislative Research Center and Museum at the
533	Historic Capitol, hereinafter referred to as "center," may
534	support the establishment of a citizen support organization to
535	provide assistance, funding, and promotional support for the
536	center. For the purposes of this subsection, "citizen support
537	organization" means an organization that is:
538	1. A Florida corporation not for profit incorporated under
539	the provisions of chapter 617 and approved by the Department of
540	State.
541	2. Organized and operated to conduct programs and
542	activities, raise funds, request and receive grants, gifts, and
543	bequests of money, acquire, receive, hold, invest, and administer
544	in its own name securities, funds, objects of value, or other
545	real and personal property, and make expenditures to or for the
546	direct or indirect benefit of the center.
547	3. Determined by the center to be consistent with the goals $\frac{1}{2}$
548	of the center and in the best interests of the state.
549	4. Annually approved in writing by the center to operate
550	for the direct or indirect benefit of the center. Such approval

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551	shall be given in a letter of agreement from the center.
552	(b)1. The Legislative Research Center and Museum at the
553	Historic Capitol may permit, without charge, appropriate use of
554	fixed property and facilities of the center by the citizen
555	support organization, subject to the provisions of this
556	subsection. Such use must be directly in keeping with the
557	approved purposes of the citizen support organization and may not
558	be made at times or places that would unreasonably interfere with
559	normal operations of the center.
560	2. The center may prescribe by rule any condition with
561	which the citizen support organization must comply in order to
562	use fixed property or facilities of the center.
563	3. The center may not permit the use of any fixed property
564	or facilities by any citizen support organization if such
565	organization does not provide equal membership and employment
566	opportunities to all persons regardless of race, color, religion,
567	gender, age, or national origin.
568	(c) A citizen support organization shall provide for an
569	annual financial audit in accordance with s. 215.981.
570	(d) All records of a citizen support organization
571	constitute public records for the purposes of chapter 119.
572	(e) The citizen support organization for the Legislative
573	Research Center and Museum at the Historic Capitol is authorized
574	to collect rental fees, apply for and receive grants, and receive
575	gifts and donations for the direct or indirect benefit of the
576	center.
577	(f) All funds obtained through rental fees, grants, gifts,
578	and donations to the citizen support organization shall be
579	deposited into the account of the citizen support organization

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580 and used for the direct or indirect benefit of the Legislative 581 Research Center and Museum at the Historic Capitol unless the 582 citizen support organization is no longer authorized as required 583 by this subsection, fails to comply with the requirements of this 584 subsection, fails to maintain its tax-exempt status pursuant to 585 s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or ceases to exist. If 586 the citizen support organization is no longer authorized as 587 required by this subsection, fails to comply with the 588 requirements of this subsection, fails to maintain its tax-exempt 589 status pursuant to s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or 590 ceases to exist, all funds obtained through rental fees, grants, 591 gifts, and donations in the citizen support organization account 592 shall revert to the state and be deposited into an account 593 designated by the Legislature. 594 Section 14. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.