

By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability;
and Senators Hill and Joyner

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Florida Civil Rights Hall of
3 Fame; creating s. 760.065, F.S.; providing legislative
4 intent; providing for the establishment and location
5 of the hall of fame; providing for the selection of
6 hall-of-fame members by the Governor upon
7 recommendations by the Florida Commission on Human
8 Relations; providing criteria for such
9 recommendations; authorizing the commission to set
10 time periods for the nomination and selection of hall-
11 of-fame members; providing that the Commission on
12 Human Relations is responsible for costs relating to
13 the Civil Rights Hall of Fame; providing that the
14 Department of Management Services is responsible for
15 the costs to operate, repair, and maintain the public
16 area for the Civil Rights Hall of Fame; providing an
17 effective date.

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

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21 Section 1. Section 760.065, Florida Statutes, is created to
22 read:

23 760.065 Florida Civil Rights Hall of Fame.—

24 (1) It is the intent of the Legislature to recognize and
25 honor those persons, living or dead, who have made significant
26 contributions to this state as leaders in the struggle for
27 equality and justice for all persons.

28 (2) (a) There is hereby established the Florida Civil Rights
29 Hall of Fame. The Department of Management Services shall set

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30 aside an appropriate public area of the Capitol Building for the
31 Florida Civil Rights Hall of Fame and shall consult with the
32 commission regarding the design and theme of such area.

33 (b) Each person who is selected as a member shall have a
34 designation placed in the Florida Civil Rights Hall of Fame,
35 which designation shall provide information regarding the
36 member's particular discipline or contribution and any vital
37 information relating to the member.

38 (3) (a) The commission shall annually accept nominations for
39 persons to be recommended as members of the Florida Civil Rights
40 Hall of Fame. The commission shall recommend 10 persons from
41 which the Governor shall select up to three hall-of-fame
42 members.

43 (b) In making recommendations pursuant to this subsection,
44 the commission shall recommend persons who are 18 years of age
45 or older, who were born in Florida or adopted Florida as their
46 home state and base of operation, and who have made a
47 significant contribution and provided exemplary leadership
48 toward Florida's progress and achievements in civil rights.

49 (4) The commission may set specific time periods for
50 acceptance of nominations and the selection of members to
51 coincide with the appropriate activities of the Florida Civil
52 Rights Hall of Fame.

53 (5) The commission shall be responsible for costs relating
54 to the Florida Civil Rights Hall of Fame. However, the costs to
55 operate, repair, and maintain the public area designated for the
56 Florida Civil Rights Hall of Fame are the responsibility of the
57 Department of Management Services.

58 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010.