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An act relating to the Florida Agricultural Museum; repealing s. 570.901, F.S., relating to the museum; amending ss. 570.902 and 570.903, F.S., relating to direct-support organizations for the museum and certain other programs and definitions applicable to such provisions; deleting provisions pertaining to the museum to conform to the repeal by the act of provisions establishing the museum; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 570.901, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

Section 2. Section 570.902, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

570.902 Definitions; ss. 570.902 and 570.903.—For the purpose of ss. 570.902 and 570.903:

 (1) "Designated program" means the specific departmental program which a direct-support organization has been created to support.

(2) "Direct-support organization" or "organization" means an organization which is a Florida corporation not for profit incorporated under the provisions of chapter 617 and approved by the department to operate for the benefit of a museum or a specific departmental program.

(3) "Museum" means the Florida Agricultural Museum which is designated as the museum for agriculture and rural history of the State of Florida.

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Section 3. Section 570.903, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

570.903 Direct-support organization.

- (1) When the Legislature authorizes the establishment of a direct-support organization to provide assistance for the museums, the Florida Agriculture in the Classroom Program, the Florida State Collection of Arthropods, the Friends of the Florida State Forests Program of the Division of Forestry, and the Forestry Arson Alert Program, and other programs of the department, the following provisions shall govern the creation, use, powers, and duties of the direct-support organization.
- (a) The department shall enter into a memorandum or letter of agreement with the direct-support organization, which shall specify the approval of the department, the powers and duties of the direct-support organization, and rules with which the direct-support organization shall comply.
- (b) The department may permit, without charge, appropriate use of property, facilities, and personnel of the department by a direct-support organization, subject to the provisions of ss. 570.902 and 570.903. The use shall be directly in keeping with the approved purposes of the direct-support organization and shall not be made at times or places that would unreasonably interfere with opportunities for the general public to use department facilities for established purposes.
- (c) The department shall prescribe by contract or by rule conditions with which a direct-support organization shall comply in order to use property, facilities, or personnel of the department or museum. Such rules shall provide for budget and

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audit review and oversight by the department.

(d) The department <u>may</u> shall not permit the use of property, facilities, or personnel of the <u>museum</u>, department, or designated program by a direct-support organization which does not provide equal employment opportunities to all persons regardless of race, color, religion, sex, age, or national origin.

- (2) (a) The direct-support organization shall be empowered to conduct programs and activities; raise funds; request and receive grants, gifts, and bequests of money; acquire, receive, hold, invest, and administer, in its own name, securities, funds, objects of value, or other property, real or personal; and make expenditures to or for the direct or indirect benefit of the museum or designated program.
- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 287.057, the direct-support organization may enter into contracts or agreements with or without competitive bidding for the restoration of objects, historical buildings, and other historical materials or for the purchase of objects, historical buildings, and other historical materials which are to be added to the collections of the museum, or benefit the designated program. However, before the direct-support organization may enter into a contract or agreement without competitive bidding, the direct-support organization shall file a certification of conditions and circumstances with the internal auditor of the department justifying each contract or agreement.
- (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 287.025(1)(e), the direct-support organization may enter into contracts to

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insure property of the museum or designated programs and may insure objects or collections on loan from others in satisfying security terms of the lender.

- (3) The direct-support organization shall provide for an annual financial audit in accordance with s. 215.981.
- (4) Neither a designated program or a museum, nor a nonprofit corporation trustee or employee may:

- (a) Receive a commission, fee, or financial benefit in connection with the sale or exchange of historical objects or properties to the direct-support organization, the museum, or the designated program; or
- (b) Be a business associate of any individual, firm, or organization involved in the sale or exchange of property to the direct-support organization, the museum, or the designated program.
- (5) All moneys received by the direct-support organization shall be deposited into an account of the direct-support organization and shall be used by the organization in a manner consistent with the goals of the museum or designated program.
- (6) The identity of a donor or prospective donor who desires to remain anonymous and all information identifying such donor or prospective donor are confidential and exempt from the provisions of s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution.
- (7) The Commissioner of Agriculture, or the commissioner's designee, may serve on the board of trustees and the executive committee of any direct-support organization established to benefit the museum or any designated program.

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(8) The department shall establish by rule archival	
procedures relating to museum artifacts and records. The rule	<del>) S</del>
shall provide procedures which protect the museum's artifacts	<del>}</del>
and records equivalent to those procedures which have been	
established by the Department of State under chapters 257 and	ł
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Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.