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The Committee on Military Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security (Bennett) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment**

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Section 265.003, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

265.003 Florida Veterans' Hall of Fame.—

(1) It is the intent of the Legislature to recognize and honor those military veterans who, through their works and lives during or after military service, have made a significant contribution to the State of Florida.

(2) There is established the Florida Veterans' Hall of



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13 Fame.

14 (a) The Florida Veterans' Hall of Fame shall be  
15 administered by the Department of Veterans' Affairs without  
16 appropriation of state funds.

17 (b) The Department of Management Services shall set aside  
18 an area on the Plaza Level of the Capitol Building along the  
19 northeast front wall and shall consult with the Department of  
20 Veterans' Affairs regarding the design and theme of the area.

21 (c) Each person who is inducted into the Florida Veterans'  
22 Hall of Fame shall have his or her name placed on a plaque  
23 displayed in the designated area of the Capitol.

24 (3) (a) The Department of Veterans' Affairs shall annually  
25 accept nominations of persons to be considered for induction  
26 into the Florida Veterans' Hall of Fame and shall transmit its  
27 recommendations to the Governor and the Cabinet who shall select  
28 the nominees to be inducted.

29 (b) In making such recommendations, the department shall  
30 give precedence to veterans who were born in Florida or adopted  
31 this state as their home state or base of operation and who have  
32 made a significant contribution to this state in civic,  
33 business, public service, or other pursuits.

34 (4) The Department of Veterans' Affairs may establish  
35 criteria and set specific time periods for acceptance of  
36 nominations and for the process of selecting nominees for  
37 membership and establish a formal induction ceremony to coincide  
38 with the annual commemoration of Veterans' Day.

39 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.