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| 2 | An act relating to monuments on the Capitol Complex; |
| 3 | creating s. 265.0031, F.S.; providing legislative |
| 4 | intent; defining the term "Capitol Complex"; |
| 5 | establishing the POW-MIA Chair of Honor Memorial; |
| 6 | authorizing the Florida chapters of Rolling Thunder, |
| 7 | Inc., to fund the memorial; requiring the Department |
| 8 | of Management Services to consider recommendations of |
| 9 | the Department of Veterans' Affairs, the Florida |
| 10 | chapters of Rolling Thunder, Inc., and the Florida |
| 11 | Historical Commission, regarding specific aspects of |
| 12 | the memorial; requiring the Department of Management |
| 13 | Services to coordinate with the Division of Historical |
| 14 | Resources regarding design and placement; creating s. |
| 15 | 265.111, F.S.; defining the term "monument"; |
| 16 | prohibiting the construction and placement of a |
| 17 | monument on the premises of the Capitol Complex unless |
| 18 | authorized by general law and approved by the |
| 19 | Department of Management Services; requiring the |
| 20 | Department of Management Services to coordinate with |
| 21 | the Division of Historical Resources regarding design |
| 22 | and placement of a monument; requiring the Department |
| 23 | of Management Services to set aside an area of the |
| 24 | Capitol Complex for a memorial garden; establishing |
| 25 | requirements for the memorial garden; amending s. |
| 26 | 267.0612, F.S.; revising the powers and duties of the Page1of4 |

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| 27 | Florida Historical Commission to conform to changes |
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| 28 | made by the act; providing for applicability; |
| 29 | providing an effective date. |
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| 31 | Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: |
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| 33 | Section 1. Section 265.0031, Florida Statutes, is created |
| 34 | to read: |
| 35 | 265.0031 POW-MIA Chair of Honor Memorial |
| 36 | (1) It is the intent of the Legislature to recognize and |
| 37 | honor the sacrifices endured by members of the Armed Forces of |
| 38 | the United States who were held as prisoners of war or remain |
| 39 | missing in action. |
| 40 | (2) For purposes of this section, the term "Capitol |
| 41 | Complex" has the same meaning as in s. 281.01. |
| 42 | (3) There is established the POW-MIA Chair of Honor |
| 43 | Memorial. |
| 44 | (a) The POW-MIA Chair of Honor Memorial shall be funded by |
| 45 | the Florida chapters of Rolling Thunder, Inc., without |
| 46 | appropriation of state funds. |
| 47 | (b) The Department of Management Services shall approve |
| 48 | the design and placement of the POW-MIA Chair of Honor Memorial |
| 49 | in the Capitol Complex. The Department of Management Services |
| 50 | must consider recommendations from the Department of Veterans' |
| 51 | Affairs, the Florida chapters of Rolling Thunder, Inc., and the |
| 52 | Florida Historical Commission in determining the appropriate |
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| 53 | design and placement of the memorial. The Department of |
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| 54 | Management Services shall coordinate with the Division of |
| 55 | Historical Resources of the Department of State regarding the |
| 56 | memorial's design and placement subject to the division's powers |
| 57 | and duties under s. 267.031. |
| 58 | Section 2. Section 265.111, Florida Statutes, is created |
| 59 | to read: |
| 60 | 265.111 Capitol Complex; monuments |
| 61 | (1) For purposes of this section, the term "monument" |
| 62 | means a permanent structure such as a marker, statue, sculpture, |
| 63 | plaque, or other artifice, including living plant material, |
| 64 | placed in remembrance or recognition of a significant person or |
| 65 | event in Florida history. The term does not include any |
| 66 | "Official Florida Historical Marker" as defined in s. 267.021. |
| 67 | (2) The construction and placement of a monument on the |
| 68 | premises of the Capitol Complex, as defined in s. 281.01, is |
| 69 | prohibited unless authorized by general law and unless the |
| 70 | design and placement of the monument is approved by the |
| 71 | Department of Management Services after considering the |
| 72 | recommendations of the Florida Historical Commission, pursuant |
| 73 | to s. 267.0612(9). The Department of Management Services shall |
| 74 | coordinate with the Division of Historical Resources of the |
| 75 | Department of State regarding a monument's design and placement |
| 76 | subject to the division's powers and duties under s. 267.031. |
| 77 | (3) The Department of Management Services, in consultation |
| 78 | with the Florida Historical Commission, shall set aside an area |
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| 79 | of the Capitol Complex, not including the State Capital Circle |
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| 80 | Office Complex, and dedicate a memorial garden on which |
| 81 | authorized monuments shall be placed. |
| 82 | Section 3. Subsection (9) is added to section 267.0612, |
| 83 | Florida Statutes, to read: |
| 84 | 267.0612 Florida Historical Commission; creation; |
| 85 | membership; powers and dutiesIn order to enhance public |
| 86 | participation and involvement in the preservation and protection |
| 87 | of the state's historic and archaeological sites and properties, |
| 88 | there is created within the Department of State the "Florida |
| 89 | Historical Commission." The commission shall serve in an |
| 90 | advisory capacity to the director of the Division of Historical |
| 91 | Resources to assist the director in carrying out the purposes, |
| 92 | duties, and responsibilities of the division, as specified in |
| 93 | this chapter. |
| 94 | (9) The commission shall provide recommendations to the |
| 95 | Department of Management Services on the design and placement of |
| 96 | monuments authorized by general law to be placed on the premises |
| 97 | of the Capitol Complex pursuant to s. 265.111. |
| 98 | Section 4. The provisions of s. 265.111, Florida Statutes, |
| 99 | as created by this act, do not apply to a monument constructed |
| 100 | and placed on the premises of the Capitol Complex before July 1, |
| 101 | 2014. |
| 102 | Section 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014. |
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