



285186

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
Comm: RCS	.	
04/11/2019	.	
	.	
	.	
	.	

Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development (Book) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Section 267.0618, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

267.0618 The Women's Suffrage Centennial Commission.-

(1) The Women's Suffrage Centennial Commission, a commission as defined in s. 20.03(10) is created adjunct to the



285186

10 Department of State for the express purpose of ensuring a
11 suitable statewide observance of the centennial of women's
12 suffrage in 2020. Except as otherwise provided in this section,
13 the commission shall operate in a manner consistent with s.
14 20.052.

15 (2) The commission is composed of the following members:

16 (a) The chair of the commission, appointed by the Governor.

17 (b) The Secretary of State, or his or her designee.

18 (c) The director of the Division of Historical Resources of
19 the Department of State.

20 (d) Two members of the Senate, appointed by the President
21 of the Senate.

22 (e) Two members of the House of Representatives, appointed
23 by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

24 (f) A women's history scholar from a postsecondary
25 educational institution in this state, appointed by the
26 Governor.

27 (g) A member of the Florida Historical Commission,
28 appointed by the Governor.

29 (h) Two members of the Florida Commission on the Status of
30 Women, appointed by the Governor.

31 (i) A member of the Florida Women's Hall of Fame, appointed
32 by the Governor.

33 (j) A representative of the League of Women Voters of
34 Florida, appointed by the Governor.

35 (k) A historian, appointed by the Governor.

36 (l) Two citizen members, appointed by the Governor.

37 (3) Appointed members of the commission shall serve at the
38 pleasure of the appointing authority and any vacancies shall be



285186

39 filled in the same manner as the initial appointment. The
40 commission may meet as often as it deems necessary to fulfill
41 the duties prescribed in this section.

42 (4) In ensuring a suitable statewide observance of the
43 centennial of the passage and ratification of the Nineteenth
44 Amendment to the United States Constitution, the commission has
45 the following duties:

46 (a) Advise on the development of programs and activities
47 appropriate to commemorate the centennial of women's suffrage,
48 and encourage the development of such programs and activities to
49 ensure that the commemoration results in a positive legacy and
50 has long-term benefits.

51 (b) Facilitate the observance of women's suffrage-related
52 activities throughout the state.

53 (c) Encourage civic, historical, educational, economic, and
54 other organizations throughout the state to organize and
55 participate in activities to expand the understanding and
56 appreciation of women's suffrage while also recognizing the
57 racial disparities that interfered with the exercise of the
58 right to vote by women of color upon the enfranchisement of
59 women.

60 (d) Coordinate and facilitate the public distribution of
61 scholarly research, publication, and interpretation of women's
62 suffrage.

63 (e) Coordinate with the Department of Education regarding
64 the manner in which the centennial of women's suffrage will be
65 commemorated in the state's public secondary schools.

66 (f) Assist the Department of State in developing a
67 statewide public awareness campaign on the centennial of women's



285186

68 suffrage through such means as, but not limited to, public
69 service announcements, outdoor advertising, and a website.

70 (g) Encourage local organizations and nonprofit
71 organizations to further the commemoration of the centennial of
72 women's suffrage.

73 (5) The commission may establish a youth working group to
74 advise and provide recommendations to the commission in
75 fulfilling its duties and responsibilities. Members of the youth
76 working group shall serve on a volunteer basis and must be
77 residents of this state between 15 and 30 years of age who
78 identify as women and demonstrate an interest in history. The
79 chair of the commission shall appoint members of the working
80 group upon review of applications.

81 (6) The Division of Historical Resources of the Department
82 of State shall provide administrative and staff support for the
83 commission.

84 (7) This section expires December 31, 2020.

85 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.

86
87 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

88 And the title is amended as follows:

89 Delete everything before the enacting clause
90 and insert:

91 A bill to be entitled
92 An act relating to the Women's Suffrage Centennial
93 Commission; creating the commission adjunct to the
94 Department of State; providing for the purpose of the
95 commission; specifying the composition of the
96 commission and requirements of commission members;



285186

97 prescribing duties of the commission in order to
98 ensure a suitable statewide observance of the
99 centennial of women's suffrage; providing for the
100 establishment of a youth working group; requiring the
101 Division of Historical Resources of the department to
102 provide administrative and staff support; providing
103 for expiration of the act; providing an effective
104 date.