

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the Florida Space Exploration
 3 Monument; creating s. 265.008, F.S.; providing
 4 legislative intent; establishing the Florida Space
 5 Exploration Monument; providing for the administration
 6 of the monument; providing that the design shall be
 7 chosen by a committee from entries submitted by the
 8 public; requiring certain entities to establish
 9 procedures and criteria for such submissions;
 10 directing the Department of Management Services to
 11 develop a specified plan for the placement and cost of
 12 the monument and submit the plan to the Governor and
 13 Legislature by a specified date; providing an
 14 effective date.

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

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 18 Section 1. Section 265.008, Florida Statutes, is created
 19 to read:

20 265.008 Florida Space Exploration Monument.—

21 (1) It is the intent of the Legislature to recognize the
 22 importance that space exploration has had, and continues to
 23 have, in shaping the history, culture, and industry of Florida,
 24 and to honor the contributions of all the men and women who have
 25 gone unrecognized for their part in this endeavor.

26 (2) There is established the Florida Space Exploration
 27 Monument.

28 (a) The monument is administered by the Department of
 29 Management Services.

30 (b) Notwithstanding s. 265.111(2), the Department of
 31 Management Services, in consultation with Space Florida, shall
 32 select members of a committee whose purpose is to select the
 33 design of the monument from entries submitted by the public. The
 34 department and Space Florida shall determine the procedure and
 35 criteria for such submissions.

36 (c) After the selection of the design, the department
 37 shall develop a plan for the placement and cost of the monument.
 38 The plan shall include the designation of an appropriate public
 39 area for the monument on the premises of the Capitol Complex, as
 40 defined in s. 281.01, not including the State Capital Circle
 41 Office Complex. The department shall consider the
 42 recommendations of the Florida Historical Commission as required
 43 pursuant to ss. 265.111 and 267.0612(9) and coordinate with the
 44 Division of Historical Resources of the Department of State in
 45 developing the plan. The department shall submit the plan to the
 46 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the
 47 House of Representatives by March 9, 2021.

48 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.