

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to the POW-MIA Vietnam Veterans  
 3           Bracelet Memorial; creating s. 265.008, F.S.;  
 4           providing legislative intent; establishing the POW-MIA  
 5           Vietnam Veterans Bracelet Memorial; providing for the  
 6           funding and administration of the memorial; directing  
 7           the Department of Management Services to designate  
 8           space for the memorial's construction and placement by  
 9           a specified date; requiring the department to consider  
 10          recommendations of, and coordinate with, specified  
 11          entities regarding the memorial's placement and  
 12          design; providing an effective date.

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

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 16           Section 1.   Section 265.008, Florida Statutes, is created  
 17   to read:

18           265.008   POW-MIA Vietnam Veterans Bracelet Memorial.-

19           (1)   It is the intent of the Legislature to memorialize the  
 20           sacrifices and experiences of those captured or missing in  
 21           combat during the Vietnam War era.

22           (2)   There is established the POW-MIA Vietnam Veterans  
 23           Bracelet Memorial.

24           (3)   The memorial shall be funded and administered by the  
 25           Big Bend Chapter 96 of the Vietnam Veterans of America, without

26 appropriation of state funds.

27 (4) By July 1, 2022, the Department of Management Services  
28 shall identify and make an appropriate public area available for  
29 the construction and the placement of the POW-MIA Vietnam  
30 Veterans Bracelet Memorial in Tallahassee, along South Monroe  
31 Street and on or near the premises of the Capitol Complex. The  
32 department shall consider recommendations by the Vietnam  
33 Veterans of America, and the Florida Historical Commission as  
34 required pursuant to ss. 265.111(2) and 267.0612(9), regarding  
35 the monument's design and placement. In addition, the department  
36 shall coordinate with the Division of Historical Resources of  
37 the Department of State in determining the monument's design and  
38 placement as required under s. 265.111(2).

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