

By the Committee on Education Pre-K -12; and Senator Wright

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to patriotic organizations; creating
3 s. 1001.433, F.S.; defining the term "patriotic
4 organization"; authorizing school districts to allow
5 representatives of patriotic organizations certain
6 opportunities to speak to students, distribute certain
7 materials, and provide certain displays relating to
8 the patriotic organizations; requiring certain school
9 districts to provide a date and time for such
10 patriotic organizations to speak with students,
11 distribute materials, and provide certain displays;
12 prohibiting a school district from discriminating
13 against certain organizations in the use of a school
14 building or property under certain circumstances;
15 providing an effective date.
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17 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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19 Section 1. Section 1001.433, Florida Statutes, is created
20 to read:

21 1001.433 Patriotic organizations.-

22 (1) As used in this section, the term "patriotic
23 organization" means a youth membership organization serving
24 young people under the age of 21 which is listed in Title 36,
25 U.S.C., as it existed on January 1, 2020, with an educational
26 purpose that promotes patriotism and civic involvement.

27 (2) (a) Each school district may:

28 1. Allow a representative of a patriotic organization the
29 opportunity, during school hours and instructional time, to

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30 speaking with and distributing informational materials in a classroom
31 setting to students, to encourage participation in the patriotic
32 organization and its activities, and to inform students of how
33 the patriotic organization may further the students' educational
34 interests and civic involvement to better the students' school
35 and community and themselves.

36 2. Provide opportunities for a patriotic organization to
37 have displays at schools within the district to provide
38 opportunities for student recruitment. Such displays may include
39 informational flyers and the use of other existing communication
40 channels.

41 (b) If a school district authorizes a representative of a
42 patriotic organization to speak with and distribute
43 informational materials to students and provide displays
44 pursuant to paragraph (a), the school district must provide a
45 specific date and time for the patriotic organization to speak
46 to students at schools within the district after the patriotic
47 organization has provided reasonable notice of its intent to
48 speak to students and provide displays.

49 (3) A school district may not discriminate against an
50 organization in subsection (1) in the use of any school building
51 or property for the purposes of paragraphs (2)(a) and (b), if
52 such activities occur outside of the school day.

53 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.