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 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 to speak to
 6 students, distribute certain materials, and provide
 7 opportunities for certain displays relating to the
 8 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 specifying certain requirements if a school district
 13 allows a patriotic organization to present at the
 14 school; prohibiting a school district from
 15 discriminating against certain organizations in the
 16 use of a school building or property under certain
 17 circumstances; authorizing patriotic organizations to
 18 be provided certain access to school buildings and
 19 properties under certain circumstances; providing
 20 construction; providing an effective date.

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

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 24 Section 1. Section 1001.433, Florida Statutes, is created
 25 to read:

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26 1001.433 Patriotic organizations.—

27 (1) As used in this section, the term "patriotic
 28 organization" means a youth membership organization serving
 29 young people under the age of 21 with an educational purpose
 30 that promotes patriotism and civic involvement which is listed
 31 in Title 36, U.S.C. ss. 30101, 30901, 31101, 40301, 70901,
 32 80301, 130501, 140101, and 154101.

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

34 1. Allow a representative of a patriotic organization the
 35 opportunity, during school hours and instructional time, to
 36 speak with and distribute informational materials in a classroom
 37 setting to students, to encourage participation in the patriotic
 38 organization and its activities, and to inform students of how
 39 the patriotic organization may further the students' educational
 40 interests and civic involvement and better the students' school
 41 and community and themselves.

42 2. Provide opportunities for a patriotic organization to
 43 provide displays at schools within the district for student
 44 recruitment. Such displays may include informational flyers and
 45 the use of other existing communication channels.

46 (b) If a school district authorizes a representative of a
 47 patriotic organization to speak with and distribute
 48 informational materials to students and provide displays
 49 pursuant to paragraph (a), the school district:

50 1. Must provide a specific date and time for the patriotic

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51 organization to speak to students at schools within the district
 52 after the patriotic organization has provided reasonable notice
 53 of its intent to speak to students and provide displays.

54 2. Must notify parents or guardians of each patriotic
 55 organization's expected presentation and the option to withhold
 56 consent for their child participating in such presentation.

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

61 (4) A school district that allows a patriotic organization
 62 to speak with and distribute informational materials to students
 63 or use school buildings or property pursuant to this section is
 64 not required to provide equal access to an organization that is
 65 not designated as a patriotic organization.

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