

By Senator Gruters

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Gulf of America; requiring
3 state agencies to update geographic materials to
4 reflect the new federal designation of the "Gulf of
5 Mexico" as the "Gulf of America"; requiring district
6 school boards and charter school governing boards to,
7 beginning on a specified date, adopt and acquire
8 specified materials and collections that reflect the
9 new federal designation of the "Gulf of Mexico" as the
10 "Gulf of America"; providing an honorary designation
11 of a certain transportation facility in specified
12 counties; directing the Department of Transportation
13 to erect suitable markers; providing an effective
14 date.

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

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18 Section 1. (1) Each state agency shall update its
19 geographic materials to reflect the new federal designation of
20 the "Gulf of Mexico" as the "Gulf of America."

21 (2) Each district school board and charter school governing
22 board, beginning July 1, 2025, shall adopt and acquire
23 instructional materials, as defined in s. 1006.28(1)(a), Florida
24 Statutes, and library media center collections that reflect the
25 new federal designation of the "Gulf of Mexico" as the "Gulf of
26 America."

27 Section 2. Gulf of America Trail designated; Department of
28 Transportation to erect suitable markers.-

29 (1) That portion of U.S. 41 between S.R. 60 and U.S. 1 in

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30 Miami-Dade, Collier, Lee, Charlotte, Sarasota, Manatee, and
31 Hillsborough Counties is designated as "Gulf of America Trail."

32 (2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect
33 suitable markers designating the Gulf of America Trail as
34 described in subsection (1).

35 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.