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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE	ACTION
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Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Community & Military

Affairs Subcommittee

Representative Metz offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert: Section 1. Subsections (1) and (2) of section 267.12, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

267.12 Research permits; procedure.-

(1) The division may issue permits for excavation and
surface reconnaissance on <u>land owned or controlled by the</u> state
lands, including state sovereignty submerged land, land owned by
<u>a political subdivision as defined by s. 1.01(8)</u>, or <u>land lands</u>
within the boundaries of designated state archaeological
landmarks or landmark zones to institutions which the division
<u>deems shall deem to be</u> properly qualified to conduct such
activity, subject to such rules and regulations as the division
may prescribe, provided such activity is undertaken by reputable
museums, universities, colleges, or other historical,

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20 scientific, or educational institutions or societies that 21 possess or will secure the archaeological expertise for the 22 performance of systematic archaeological field research, 23 comprehensive analysis, and interpretation in the form of 24 publishable reports and monographs, such reports to be submitted 25 to the division.

(2)Those state institutions considered by the division 26 27 permanently to possess the required archaeological expertise to conduct the archaeological activities allowed under the 28 29 provisions of the permit may be designated as accredited 30 institutions which will be allowed to conduct archaeological field activities on land owned or controlled by the state, 31 32 including state sovereignty submerged land, land owned by a political subdivision as defined by s. 1.01(8), state-owned or 33 34 controlled lands or land within the boundaries of any designated state archaeological landmark or any landmark zone without 35 36 obtaining an individual permit for each project, except that 37 those accredited institutions will be required to give prior written notice of all anticipated archaeological field 38 39 activities on land owned or controlled by the state, including state sovereignty submerged land, land owned by a political 40 subdivision as defined by s. 1.01(8), state-owned or controlled 41 42 lands or land within the boundaries of any designated state 43 archaeological landmark or landmark zone to the division, together with such information as may reasonably be required by 44 45 the division to ensure the proper preservation, protection, and excavation of the archaeological resources. However, no 46 47 archaeological activity may be commenced by the accredited 621279 - h591-strike (2).docx Published On: 1/17/2012 7:07:49 PM Page 2 of 7

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73 archaeological field investigations on, or removes or attempts 74 to remove, or defaces, destroys, or otherwise alters any 75 archaeological site or specimen located upon, any land owned or 621279 - h591-strike (2).docx Published On: 1/17/2012 7:07:49 PM

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94 Any person who offers for sale or exchange any object (C) 95 with knowledge that it has previously been collected or excavated in violation of any of the terms of ss. 267.11-267.14, 96 97 or who procures, counsels, solicits, or employs any other person 98 to violate any prohibition contained in ss. 267.11-267.14 or to 99 sell, purchase, exchange, transport, receive, or offer to sell, purchase, or exchange any archaeological resource excavated or 100 removed from any land owned or controlled by the state, 101 including state sovereignty submerged land, land owned by a 102 political subdivision as defined by s. 1.01(8), or land within 103 621279 - h591-strike (2).docx

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104 the boundaries of a designated state archaeological landmark or 105 landmark zone, except with the express consent of the division, 106 commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in 107 s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084, and any vehicle or equipment of any person used in connection with the violation is 108 109 subject to forfeiture to the state if it is determined by any court of law that such vehicle or equipment was involved in the 110 violation. All specimens, objects, and material collected or 111 excavated, together with all photographs and records relating to 112 such material, shall be forfeited to the state. The court may 113 114 also order the defendant to make restitution to the state for 115 the archaeological or commercial value and cost of restoration 116 and repair as defined in subsection (4).

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117 (2) (a) The division may institute an administrative proceeding to impose an administrative fine of not more than 118 \$500 a day on any person or business organization that, without 119 120 written permission of the division, explores for, salvages, or 121 excavates treasure trove, artifacts, sunken or abandoned ships, 122 or other objects having historical or archaeological value 123 located upon land owned or controlled by the state on state-124 owned or state-controlled lands, including state sovereignty 125 submerged land, or land owned by a political subdivision as 126 defined by s. 1.01(8) lands.

(b) The division shall institute an administrative proceeding by serving written notice of a violation by certified mail upon the alleged violator. The notice shall specify the law or rule allegedly violated and the facts upon which the allegation is based. The notice shall also specify the amount of 621279 - h591-strike (2).docx Published On: 1/17/2012 7:07:49 PM Page 5 of 7

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the administrative fine sought by the division. The fine <u>is</u> shall not become due until after service of notice and an administrative hearing. However, the alleged violator <u>has</u> shall have 20 days <u>after from</u> service of notice to request an administrative hearing. Failure to respond within that time <u>constitutes</u> shall constitute a waiver, and the fine <u>becomes</u> shall become due without a hearing.

(c) The division may enter its judgment for the amount of the administrative penalty imposed in a court of competent jurisdiction, pursuant to s. 120.69. The judgment may be enforced as any other judgment.

143 The division may apply to a court of competent (d) 144 jurisdiction for injunctive relief against any person or business organization that explores for, salvages, or excavates 145 treasure trove, artifacts, sunken or abandoned ships, or other 146 objects having historical or archaeological value located upon 147 148 on state-owned or state-controlled land owned or controlled by 149 the state, including state sovereignty submerged land, or land 150 owned by a political subdivision as defined by s. 1.01(8) 151 without the written permission of the division.

(e) The division shall adopt rules pursuant to ss.
120.536(1) and 120.54 to <u>administer</u> implement the provisions of
this section.

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Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012.

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TITLE AMENDMENT

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160	Amendment No. Remove the entire title and insert:
161	A bill to be entitled
162	An act relating to archeological sites and specimens; amending
163	s. 267.12, F.S.; providing that the Division of Historical
164	Resources of the Department of State may issue permits for
165	excavation and surface reconnassance on land owned by political
166	subdivisions; amending s. 267.13, F.S.; providing that specified
167	activities relating to archaeological sites and specimens
168	located upon land owned by a political subdivision are
169	prohibited and subject to penalties; authorizing the Division to
170	impose an administrative fine on and seek injunctive relief
171	against certain entities; providing an effective date.

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