By Senator Wright

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to patriotic organizations; creating s. 1001.433, F.S.; defining the term "patriotic organization"; requiring school districts to allow representatives of patriotic organizations certain opportunities to speak to students, distribute certain materials, and provide certain displays relating to the patriotic organizations; requiring school districts to provide the date and time for such patriotic organizations to speak with students, distribute materials, and provide certain displays; requiring patriotic organizations to be provided certain access to school buildings and properties under certain circumstances; providing an effective date.

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

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

1001.433 Patriotic organizations.-

- (1) As used in this section, the term "patriotic organization" means a youth membership organization serving young people under the age of 21 which is listed in Title 36, U.S.C., as it existed on January 1, 2020, with an educational purpose that promotes patriotism and civic involvement.
  - (2) Each school district shall:
- (a) Allow a representative of a patriotic organization the opportunity, during school hours and instructional time, to

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speak with and distribute instructional materials to students to encourage participation in the patriotic organization and its activities and inform students of how the patriotic organization may further the students' educational interests and civic involvement to better the students' school and community and themselves.

- (b) Provide opportunities for a patriotic organization to have displays at schools within the district to provide opportunities for student recruitment. Such displays may include informational flyers and the use of other existing communication channels.
- (c) Provide a specific day and time for the patriotic organization to speak to students at schools within the district after the patriotic organization has provided reasonable notice of its intent to speak to students and provide displays.
- (3) A patriotic organization must be allowed the use of any school building or property for the purposes of paragraphs
  (2) (a) and (b), if such activities occur outside of the school day.
  - Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.