

THE FLORIDA SENATE  
2013 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED  
**Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability**

**SB 230 — Flag Etiquette**

by Senator Ring

The bill requires the Governor to adopt a protocol on flag display that provides guidelines for the proper display of the state flag and for the lowering of the state flag to half-staff on appropriate occasions, such as on holidays and upon the death of high-ranking state officials, uniformed law enforcement and fire service personnel, and prominent citizens.

The bill also provides that the Governor may adopt, repeal, or modify any rule or custom pertaining to the display of the state flag, as the Governor deems appropriate.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2013.

*Vote: Senate 40-0; House 118-0*