

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House Comm: RCS 03/06/2014

The Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security (Altman) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Section 265.0031, Florida Statutes, is created

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8 to read: 9 265.0031 POW-MIA Chair of Honor Memorial.-(1) It is the intent of the Legislature to recognize and 10 11 honor the sacrifices endured by members of the Armed Forces of 12 the United States who were held as prisoners of war or remain 13 missing in action. 14 (2) For purposes of this section, the term "Capitol 15 Complex" has the same meaning as in s. 281.01. 16 (3) There is established the POW-MIA Chair of Honor 17 Memorial. 18 (a) The POW-MIA Chair of Honor Memorial shall be funded by 19 the Florida chapters of Rolling Thunder, Inc., without 20 appropriation of state funds. 21 (b) Pursuant to s. 267.0612(9), the Florida Historical 2.2 Commission shall approve the design and placement of the POW-MIA 23 Chair of Honor Memorial in the Capitol Complex. In addition to 24 recommendations from the Department of Management Services, the commission shall consider recommendations from the Department of 25 Veterans' Affairs and the Florida chapters of Rolling Thunder, 26 27 Inc., in determining the appropriate design and placement of the 28 memorial. 29 Section 2. Section 265.111, Florida Statutes, is created to 30 read: 31 265.111 Capitol Complex; monuments.-32 (1) For purposes of this section, the term "monument" means 33 a permanent structure such as a marker, statue, sculpture, 34 plaque, or other artifice, including living plant material, 35 placed in remembrance or recognition of a significant person or

event in Florida history.

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(2) The construction and placement of a monument on the premises of the Capitol Complex, as defined in s. 281.01, is prohibited unless authorized by general law and unless the design and placement of the monument is approved by the Florida Historical Commission, pursuant to s. 267.0612(9). The Department of Management Services shall submit recommendations to the Florida Historical Commission regarding the design and placement of an authorized monument.

(3) The Department of Management Services, in consultation with the Florida Historical Commission, shall set aside an area of the Capitol Complex and dedicate a memorial garden on which authorized monuments shall be placed. Except for historically authenticated monuments from the restoration of the Historic Capitol, monuments situated on the Capitol Complex, as of July 1, 2014, may be moved to the memorial garden as directed by the Florida Historical Commission. The memorial garden may not be placed in an area within 50 feet of the outer perimeter of the grounds surrounding the Historic Capitol.

Section 3. Subsection (9) is added to section 267.0612, Florida Statutes, to read:

267.0612 Florida Historical Commission; creation; membership; powers and duties. - In order to enhance public participation and involvement in the preservation and protection of the state's historic and archaeological sites and properties, there is created within the Department of State the "Florida Historical Commission." The commission shall serve in an advisory capacity to the director of the Division of Historical Resources to assist the director in carrying out the purposes, duties, and responsibilities of the division, as specified in



this chapter.

(9) The commission shall approve the design and placement of a monument authorized by general law to be placed on the premises of the Capitol Complex pursuant to s. 265.111. Prior to approval, the commission shall consider the recommendations of the Department of Management Services regarding the design and placement of such a monument.

Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.

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======= T I T L E AMENDMENT ===== And the title is amended as follows:

Delete everything before the enacting clause and insert:

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to monuments on the Capitol Complex; creating s. 265.0031, F.S.; providing legislative intent; defining the term "Capitol Complex"; establishing the POW-MIA Chair of Honor Memorial; requiring the Florida chapters of Rolling Thunder, Inc., to fund the memorial; subjecting the memorial to approval by the Florida Historical Commission; requiring the commission to consider recommendations of the Department of Veterans' Affairs and the Florida chapters of Rolling Thunder, Inc., regarding specific aspects of the memorial; creating s. 265.111, F.S.; defining the term "monument"; prohibiting the construction and placement of a monument on the premises of the Capitol Complex unless authorized by general law; subjecting the design and placement of a

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monument to the approval of the Florida Historical Commission; requiring the Department of Management Services to submit recommendations to the Florida Historical Commission; requiring the Department of Management Services to set aside an area of the Capitol Complex for a memorial garden; establishing requirements for the memorial garden; amending s. 267.0612, F.S.; revising the powers and duties of the Florida Historical Commission to conform to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.