

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the Honor and Remember flag;
 3 creating s. 256.16, F.S.; designating the Honor and
 4 Remember flag as the emblem of the state; authorizing
 5 the display of the flag at specified locations, on
 6 specified days, and in a specified manner; requiring
 7 the flags to be manufactured in the United States;
 8 authorizing local governments to display the flag at
 9 certain locations; authorizing certain departments,
 10 agencies, and local governments to adopt certain
 11 regulations by a specified date; providing an
 12 effective date.

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

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 16 Section 1. Section 256.16, Florida Statutes, is created to
 17 read:

18 256.16 Honor and Remember flag.-

19 (1) The Honor and Remember flag is designated as the
 20 state's emblem of the service and sacrifice of the brave men and
 21 women of the United States Armed Forces who have given their
 22 lives in the line of duty.

23 (2) The flag may be displayed:

24 (a) At the following locations:

25 1. Any state-owned building at which the United States

26 | flag is displayed.

27 | 2. Any state-owned military memorials.

28 | 3. Any other state-owned location.

29 | (b) On the following days:

30 | 1. Veterans Day, November 11.

31 | 2. Gold Star Mother's Day, the last Sunday in September.

32 | 3. A day on which a member of the United States Armed

33 | Forces who is a resident of this state loses his or her life in

34 | the line of duty.

35 | (c) In a manner designed to ensure visibility to the

36 | public.

37 | (d) With no more than two additional flags when displayed

38 | together on a flagpole.

39 | (3) A flag displayed pursuant to this section must be

40 | manufactured in the United States.

41 | (4) A local government may display the flag in accordance

42 | with paragraphs (2) (b), (c), and (d) at any local government

43 | building at which the United States flag is displayed and at any

44 | other local government location it deems appropriate.

45 | (5) By July 1, 2020, a department or an agency responsible

46 | for a location specified in paragraph (2) (a), or a local

47 | government pursuant to subsection (4), may adopt regulations as

48 | necessary to carry out this section. Such regulations may not

49 | require an employee to report to work solely to display the

50 | flag.

51 | Section 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2020. |