

## CHAPTER 2013-165

### Senate Bill No. 230

An act relating to flag etiquette; creating s. 256.015, F.S.; requiring that the Governor adopt a protocol on flag display; requiring the protocol to have guidelines for proper flag display and for lowering the state flag to half-staff on certain occasions; authorizing the Governor to adopt, repeal, or modify any rule or custom as the Governor deems appropriate which pertains to the display of the state flag; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 256.015, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

256.015 Display of flag.—

(1) The Governor shall adopt a protocol on flag display. The protocol must provide 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.

(2) The Governor may adopt, repeal, or modify any rule or custom as the Governor deems appropriate which pertains to the display of the state flag.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.

Approved by the Governor June 14, 2013.

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