An act relating to the Art in the Capitol Competition; creating the Art in the Capitol Competition for students in specified grades; providing procedures for student participation, notification, and the selection and display of winning submissions; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. (1) There is created the Art in the Capitol Competition, a statewide visual arts competition for students in grades 6 through 8, to be administered by the Department of Management Services and the Department of Education.

(2) Each school district shall annually hold an Art in the Capitol Competition for all public, private, and home education students in grades 6 through 8. Submissions shall be judged by a selection committee consisting of art teachers whose students have not submitted artwork for consideration.

(3)(a) A submission may not violate copyright laws and must:

1. Be two dimensional.
2. Be no larger than 28 inches wide by 28 inches long by 4 inches thick.
3. Weigh less than 15 pounds.
4. Be original in concept, design, and execution.

(b) Each submission must include the student’s name, grade, and school of enrollment and the city in which the school is located.

(4) Each winning submission shall be provided to the legislator of the legislative district in which the student resides no later than 60 days before the start of each regular legislative session. The legislator shall provide the winning submission to the Department of Management Services.

(5) The Department of Management Services shall collect the winning submissions and arrange to have them displayed in the Capitol Building during the regular legislative session. Upon adjournment of the legislative session, the legislator shall return the winning submission to the student.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.

Approved by the Governor March 24, 2016.

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