CHAPTER 2023-242

Senate Bill No. 2506

An act relating to the Capitol Complex; amending s. 265.111, F.S.; requiring the Department of Management Services to set aside and dedicate a specific area of the Capitol Complex for the placement of memorials; amending ss. 272.09, 281.01, and 943.60, F.S.; revising the definition of the term “Capitol Complex”; defining the term “Memorial Park”; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 265.111, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

265.111 Capitol Complex; monuments.—

(3) The Department of Management Services, in consultation with the Florida Historical Commission, shall set aside and dedicate the area of the Capitol Complex described as “Memorial Park” in s. 281.01, not including the State Capital Circle Office Complex, and dedicate a memorial garden on which authorized monuments shall be placed, including. The memorial garden must include a monument in remembrance of the 241 members of the United States Armed Forces who lost their lives on October 23, 1983, in Beirut, Lebanon.

Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 272.09, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

272.09 Management, maintenance, and upkeep of Capitol Center.—

(1) For purposes of this section, the term “Capitol Complex” means the portion of the Capitol Center commonly referred to as the Capitol, the Historic Capitol, the Senate Office Building, the House Office Building, the Knott Building, the Pepper Building, the Holland Building, the Elliot Building, the R.A. Gray Building, and the associated parking garages and the curtilage of each, including the state-owned lands and public streets adjacent thereto within an area bounded by and including Calhoun Street, East Pensacola Street, Monroe Street, Jefferson Street, West Pensacola Street, Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, Duval Street, and Gaines Street. The term does not include the Supreme Court Building or the public streets adjacent thereto. The portion of the Capitol Complex existing between and including the Elliot Building and the Holland Building within an area bounded by and including Monroe Street, Gaines Street, Calhoun Street, and East Pensacola Street shall be known as “Memorial Park.”

Section 3. Section 281.01, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1 CODING: Words stricken are deletions; words underlined are additions.
281.01 Definitions.—For the purposes of ss. 281.01-281.08, the term “Capitol Complex” means includes that portion of Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida, commonly referred to as the Capitol, the Historic Capitol, the Senate Office Building, the House Office Building, the Knott Building, the Pepper Building, the Holland Building, the Elliot Building, the R.A. Gray Building, and the associated parking garages and the curtilage of each, including the state-owned lands and public streets adjacent thereto within an area bounded by and including Calhoun Street, East Pensacola Street, Monroe Street, Jefferson Street, West Pensacola Street, Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard Duval Street, and Gaines Street. The term includes shall also include the State Capital Circle Office Complex located in Leon County, Florida. The term does not include the Supreme Court Building or the public streets adjacent thereto. The portion of the Capitol Complex existing between and including the Elliot Building and the Holland Building within an area bounded by and including Monroe Street, Gaines Street, Calhoun Street, and East Pensacola Street shall be known as “Memorial Park.”

Section 4. Section 943.60, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

943.60 Definitions.—For the purposes of ss. 943.60-943.68, the term “Capitol Complex” means includes that portion of Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida, commonly referred to as the Capitol, the Historic Capitol, the Senate Office Building, the House Office Building, the Knott Building, the Pepper Building, the Holland Building, the Elliot Building, the R.A. Gray Building, and the associated parking garages and the curtilage of each, including the state-owned lands and public streets adjacent thereto within an area bounded by and including Calhoun Street, East Pensacola Street, Monroe Street, Jefferson Street, West Pensacola Street, Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard Duval Street, and Gaines Street. The term includes shall also include the State Capital Circle Office Complex located in Leon County, Florida. The term does not include the Supreme Court Building or the public streets adjacent thereto. The portion of the Capitol Complex existing between and including the Elliot Building and the Holland Building within an area bounded by and including Monroe Street, Gaines Street, Calhoun Street, and East Pensacola Street shall be known as “Memorial Park.”

Section 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.

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