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ENROLLED, An Act,

Relating to Jefferson County; to amend Act 2012-196 of the 2012 Regular Session (Acts 2012, p. 325), authorizing the designated city officers or employees of cities in the county to issue motor vehicle registrations; to specify that issuance would not be authorized when a vehicle has not been previously registered in this state by or in the name of the current vehicle owner; to provide for a city issuance fee; and to provide for the distribution of the proceeds.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Sections 1 and 2 of Act 2012-196 of the 2012 Regular Session (Acts 2012, p. 325), are amended to read as follows:

"Section 1. The Legislature finds that Jefferson County has reduced the number of locations where the citizens of Jefferson County may ~~renew~~ be issued their motor vehicle ~~tags~~ registrations due to the financial difficulties of the county resulting in impediments to the citizens and to the collection of state and local taxes and fees. The Legislature further finds that there is a substantial local need to provide additional and supplemental means for the ~~renewal~~ issuance of motor vehicle ~~license plates~~ registrations in Jefferson County in response to a demonstrated local need in the county.

1 "Section 2. (a) In Jefferson County, the mayor of
2 any city in the county may designate a city officer or
3 employee to ~~process the renewal of issue motor vehicle license~~
4 ~~plates for motor vehicles registrations, to include the~~
5 issuance of license plates. The city official or employee may
6 not issue license plates when a vehicle has not been
7 previously registered in this state by or in the name of the
8 current vehicle owner. The city license plate issuing official
9 may only ~~renew issue motor vehicle license plates for motor~~
10 ~~vehicles registrations~~ for a resident of the city. ~~A resident~~
11 ~~of the city may renew a motor vehicle license plate with the~~
12 ~~city license plate issuing official, and the~~ The city license
13 plate issuing official, or his or her agents or employees,
14 shall collect the ~~license plate renewal~~ registration fees, ad
15 valorem taxes, and issuance fees on the vehicle and remit the
16 fees and taxes less any issuance fee and commissions retained
17 by the city, in the same manner as the county license plate
18 issuing official. The commissions for assessments and
19 collections of taxes on motor vehicles for the General Fund of
20 the state and county shall be calculated at a rate of 1
21 percent for assessments and 1 percent for collections. The
22 city shall be audited by the Examiners of Public Accounts
23 related to the ~~renewal~~ issuance of motor vehicle registrations
24 ~~license plates~~ pursuant to this act. The city shall be
25 responsible for any shortages as determined by the audit. The

1 city license plate issuing official and his or her employees
2 shall be bonded by a bonding company authorized to do business
3 in this state in such sums sufficient to cover the amounts set
4 out in Section 12-13-33, Code of Alabama 1975, for probate
5 judges. The bond shall be conditioned as other official bonds
6 are conditioned and shall be approved by the mayor and the
7 city council of the city.

8 "(b) The city council of a city that issues motor
9 vehicle registrations pursuant to this section may levy an
10 annual additional issuance fee, not to exceed five dollars
11 (\$5), for each motor vehicle plate issued by the city license
12 plate issuing official. The annual additional fee authorized
13 by this section shall become due at the same time the state
14 registration fee becomes due. The annual additional fee shall
15 not be collected more than once per vehicle during a
16 registration year. The local issuance fee collected pursuant
17 to this subsection shall be deposited into the general fund of
18 the city levying the fee and shall be used for the operation
19 of the city license plate issuing official's office."

20 Section 2. The provisions of this act are
21 supplemental and shall not affect any existing law except as
22 needed to implement this act.

23 Section 3. This act shall become effective April 1,
24 2014, following its passage and approval by the Governor, or
25 its otherwise becoming law.

