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8 SYNOPSIS: This bill would require the Alabama Law
9 Enforcement Agency (ALEA) to implement a program to
10 promote organ donation through the application and
11 renewal process for driver's licenses.

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13 A BILL
14 TO BE ENTITLED
15 AN ACT

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17 Relating to driver's licenses; to require the
18 Alabama Law Enforcement Agency to promote organ donation
19 through the application and renewal process for the licenses.

20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

21 Section 1. This act shall be named "Angelynn and
22 Courtney's Law."

23 Section 2. The Legislature finds:

24 (1) There is an acute need for organ donors in
25 Alabama and throughout the nation.

26 (2) According to the United Network for Organ
27 Sharing, more than 121,000 people are waiting for an organ

1 transplant nationally, and a new person is added to the
2 waiting list every 18 minutes.

3 (3) In Alabama, more than 3,300 people are waiting
4 for an organ transplant.

5 (4) For an average of 19 people per day, the wait is
6 too long and they die before a suitable organ is available.

7 (5) The Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act
8 currently provides for notice of intent to make an organ
9 donation upon the donor's death.

10 (6) A checkoff on a driver's license to be an organ
11 donor has been a very successful way to encourage organ
12 donation, but more can be done to provide greater education
13 and public awareness regarding the decision to become an organ
14 donor.

15 Section 3. Effective by January 1, 2017, the Alabama
16 Law Enforcement Agency shall create and implement a program
17 promoting organ donation through the application or renewal
18 process for driver's licenses. ALEA shall provide brochures
19 and other information on organ donation at all driver's
20 license offices as provided by the federally certified Alabama
21 Organ Procurement Organization or as otherwise determined by
22 ALEA.

23 Section 4. The provisions of this act are
24 supplemental and shall not be construed to repeal any law not
25 in direct conflict with this act.

1 Section 5. This act shall become effective
2 immediately following its passage and approval by the
3 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.