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9 A BILL
10 TO BE ENTITLED
11 AN ACT
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13 Relating to Jefferson County; to amend Act 2012-196
14 of the 2012 Regular Session (Acts 2012, p. 325), as amended by
15 Act 2014-7 of the 2014 Regular Session, authorizing the
16 designated city officers or employees of cities in the county
17 to issue motor vehicle registrations; to specify the
18 collection and retention of issuance fees; to specify the
19 deduction and retention of commissions on the collection of
20 certain taxes; and to provide for retroactive effect.

21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

22 Section 1. Section 2 of Act 2012-196 of the 2012
23 Regular Session (Acts 2012, p. 325), as amended by Act 2014-7
24 of the 2014 Regular Session, is amended to read as follows:

25 "Section 2. (a) In Jefferson County, the mayor of
26 any city in the county may designate a city officer or
27 employee to issue motor vehicle registrations, to include the

1 issuance of license plates. The city license plate issuing
2 ~~official or employee~~ may not issue license plates when a
3 vehicle has not been previously registered in this state by or
4 in the name of the current vehicle owner. The city license
5 plate issuing official may only issue motor vehicle
6 registrations for a resident of the city. The city license
7 plate issuing official, or his or her agents or employees,
8 shall collect the registration fees, and ad valorem taxes, ~~and~~
9 ~~issuance fees~~ on the vehicle and remit the registration fees
10 and taxes ~~less any issuance fee and commissions retained by~~
11 ~~the city,~~ in the same manner as the county license plate
12 issuing official. ~~The~~ In addition, the city license plate
13 issuing official, or his or her agents or employees, shall
14 collect the same issuance fees as provided for the county
15 license plate issuing official, which fees shall be retained
16 by the city and credited to the city general fund. In
17 addition, the city may levy and collect an additional issuance
18 fee as provided in subsection (b). The city shall also deduct
19 and retain in the city general fund all commissions on the
20 assessment and collection of ad valorem taxes in the same
21 manner as the county license issuing official, except that the
22 calculation of commissions for assessments and collections of
23 taxes on motor vehicles for the General Fund of the state and
24 the general fund of the county shall be ~~calculated~~ at a rate
25 of 1 percent for assessments and 1 percent for collections.
26 The city shall be audited by the Examiners of Public Accounts
27 related to the issuance of motor vehicle registrations

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

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

22 Section 2. The provisions of this act are remedial
23 and curative to clarify legislative intent of Act 2012-196, as
24 amended.

25 Section 3. This act shall be retroactive to April 1,
26 2014, following its passage and approval by the Governor, or
27 its otherwise becoming law.

