

1 HB57  
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3 By Representative Jones  
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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, there is no specific  
9 provision for compelling testimony or the  
10 production of evidence in an impeachment  
11 investigation conducted pursuant to rules of the  
12 House of Representatives.

13 This bill would require the Circuit Court  
14 for the 15th Judicial Circuit to issue a subpoena  
15 to compel testimony and the production of evidence  
16 upon application by the committee.

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18 A BILL  
19 TO BE ENTITLED  
20 AN ACT

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22 Requiring the Circuit Court for the 15th Judicial  
23 Circuit to compel testimony and the production of evidence  
24 upon application of a committee of the House of  
25 Representatives conducting an impeachment investigation.

26 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

1                   Section 1. If, pursuant to the Rules of the House of  
2 Representatives or a House Resolution adopted by the House of  
3 Representatives, a committee of the House of Representatives  
4 is conducting an impeachment investigation, the Circuit Court  
5 for the 15th Judicial Circuit, upon application by the chair  
6 of the committee or his or her representative, shall issue a  
7 subpoena or order requiring the person to appear before the  
8 committee, its counsel, or investigator and produce all  
9 evidence and give all testimony relating to the matter in  
10 issue. A person failing to obey the order may be punished by  
11 the court for contempt.

12                   Section 2. This act shall become effective  
13 immediately following its passage and approval by the  
14 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.