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ENROLLED, An Act,

To amend Section 17-3-8, Code of Alabama 1975, relating to the meeting days of boards of registrars, to allow the Elmore County Board of Registrars to meet 187 days each fiscal year.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Section 17-3-8, Code of Alabama 1975, is amended to read as follows:

"§17-3-8.

"(a) Each member of the board of registrars in the Counties of Chambers, Clay, Cleburne, Coosa, Dallas, Escambia, Geneva, Lowndes, Perry, Sumter, and Wilcox may meet a maximum of 120 working days each fiscal year; each member of the board of registrars in the Counties of Barbour, Blount, Butler, Fayette, Greene, Lee, Marengo, Pickens, Pike, Randolph, Talladega, and Winston may meet a maximum of 168 working days each fiscal year, except in the Counties of Lee and Pike each board of registrars may meet up to an additional 30 session days each fiscal year, at the discretion of the chair of the county commission, and such days shall be paid from the respective county funds; each member of the board of registrars in Tallapoosa County may meet a maximum of 220 working days each fiscal year; each member of the board of registrars in the Counties of Dale, Franklin, Houston, Marion,

1 Marshall, Bullock, Macon, and Tuscaloosa may meet a maximum of
2 216 working days each fiscal year; and each member of the
3 board of registrars in the Counties of DeKalb, ~~Elmore,~~
4 Limestone, Russell, and Shelby may meet a maximum of 167
5 working days each fiscal year.

6 "(b) In the Counties of Choctaw, Coffee, Colbert,
7 Cullman, Lauderdale, and Monroe, each member of the board of
8 registrars may meet a maximum of 199 working days each fiscal
9 year.

10 "(c) Each member of the Board of Registrars of
11 Autauga, Elmore, and Bibb Counties may meet a maximum of 187
12 working days each fiscal year. Each member of the Board of
13 Registrars of Walker County may meet a maximum of 200 days
14 each fiscal year and each member of the Board of Registrars of
15 Lamar, Cherokee, Clarke, Conecuh, Crenshaw, Hale, and
16 Washington Counties may meet a maximum of 140 days each fiscal
17 year. Each member of the board of registrars in the following
18 counties may meet the following maximum number of working days
19 each fiscal year: Henry - 140 working days; Covington - 188
20 working days; Jackson - 207 working days; Etowah - 207 working
21 days; and Lawrence - 140 working days.

22 "(d) Each member of the board of registrars in the
23 Counties of Baldwin, Calhoun, Chilton, Madison, Mobile,
24 Montgomery, St. Clair, and Morgan are authorized to meet not
25 more than five days each week for the purpose of carrying out

1 their official duties. Jefferson County, which is now
2 operating under the provisions of local laws, shall be
3 exempted from the provisions of this section. Provided,
4 however, that where the words "each year" are used in the
5 local laws the words mean "each fiscal year."

6 "(e) The actual number of working days to be used as
7 session days shall be determined by a quorum of the board of
8 registrars according to the needs of the county.

9 "(f) As many as 25 of the allotted working days may
10 be used for special registration sessions (i.e., those
11 sessions held away from the courthouse in the several
12 precincts of the county or sessions held on Saturday or
13 between the hours of 5:00 P.M. and 9:00 P.M.). Notice of any
14 special session scheduled by the board shall be given at least
15 10 days prior to the special session by (1) bills posted at
16 three or more public places in each election precinct
17 affected, if the session involves precinct visits, and (2)
18 advertisement once a week for two successive weeks in a
19 newspaper published in the county or by radio or television
20 announcements on a local station, or both by newspaper or
21 announcement."

22 Section 2. This act shall become effective
23 immediately following its passage and approval by the
24 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

