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3 By Representatives Pettus, Greer, Patterson, Rowe, Henry,
4 South, Garrett, Fincher, Ball, Nordgren, Boothe, Martin, Hill
5 (M), Weaver, Harper, Fridy, Chesteen, Lee, Wood, Hill (J),
6 Wingo, Mooney, Tuggle, Johnson (R), Butler, Millican, Collins,
7 Johnson (K), Brown, Sessions, Williams (JW), Wilcox,
8 Treadaway, Standridge, Shedd, Ingram, Williams (JD), Clouse,
9 Drake, Carns, Wadsworth, Whorton (I), Harbison, Hanes, Whorton
10 (R), Ledbetter, McCutcheon, Beckman, Jones, Baker, Poole,
11 Hubbard and Faulkner
12 RFD: Rules
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8 URGING THE ALABAMA CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO
9 OPPOSE RECENT EXECUTIVE ORDERS OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED
10 STATES RELATING TO GUN CONTROL.

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12 WHEREAS, the Second Amendment to the Constitution of
13 the United States conveys an inalienable right to all American
14 citizens to keep and bear arms, a right that occupies the same
15 preferred position as all other constitutional rights and
16 supersedes the power of any government; and

17 WHEREAS, the framers and ratifiers of the Second
18 Amendment to the Constitution intended that individuals retain
19 the right to keep and bear arms in order to protect life,
20 liberty, and property and to protect our Nation from those who
21 would attempt to destroy our freedom; and

22 WHEREAS, Article 1, Section 1 of the Constitution of
23 the United States provides, "All legislative Powers herein
24 granted shall be vested in congress of the United States"; and

25 WHEREAS, on January 5, 2016, President Barack Obama
26 defied Article 1, Section 1 of the Constitution of the United
27 States by implementing unconstitutional executive orders

1 without congressional consideration, debate, or approval in
2 order to infringe on the Second Amendment right of the
3 American people to keep and bear arms; and

4 WHEREAS, Congress must go on record to reassert its
5 status as an equal branch of government and to oppose the
6 President's blatant Executive overreach, which may be one of
7 the most egregious violations of the separation of powers
8 found in the Constitution of the United States; now therefore,

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
10 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the Alabama Congressional
11 Delegation is urged to oppose the January 5, 2016, Executive
12 Orders of President Barack Obama relating to gun control and
13 to ardently protect citizens' right to bear arms by
14 confronting any further attempts of Executive overreach.

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this
16 resolution be provided to each member of the Alabama
17 Congressional Delegation as an expression of the sentiment of
18 the Legislature.