- 1 HJR133
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- 3 By Representative Lee
- 4 RFD: Rules
- 5 First Read: 01-FEB-18

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| 2 | ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution, |
| 3 | URGING THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO CONTINUE |
| 4 | DELIVERY SERVICE TO INDIVIDUALIZED CURBSIDE BOXES IN NEW |
| 5 | RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS. |
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| 7 | WHEREAS, the Postal Operations Manual sets forth the |
| 8 | policies, regulations, and procedures of the United States |
| 9 | Postal Service (USPS) governing, among other things, the |
| 10 | collection, processing, transportation, and delivery of the |
| 11 | United States Mail; and |
| 12 | WHEREAS, the Postal Operations Manual was last |
| 13 | issued in July 2002; and |
| 14 | WHEREAS, the Postal Operations Manual has from |
| 15 | time-to-time been updated with various Postal Bulletin |
| 16 | Revisions; and |
| 17 | WHEREAS, delivery of mail by the USPS to single |
| 18 | family detached residential housing is governed by Part 631.3 |
| 19 | of the Postal Operations Manual; and |
| 20 | WHEREAS, curbside delivery is governed by Part |
| 21 | 631.32 which provides for delivery to individual boxes in |
| 22 | detached residential developments at the curb of a street |
| 23 | which may be grouped, two to a property line where possible; |

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| 1 | WHEREAS, representatives of the USPS have |
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| 2 | communicated to the residential development and construction |
| 3 | industry a desire to eliminate or restrict individualized |
| 4 | curbside delivery of mail in new residential developments in |
| 5 | favor of centralized box units; and |
| 6 | WHEREAS, delivery of the mail by the USPS in |
| 7 | residential developments has traditionally been done by |
| 8 | individualized curbside delivery in accordance with its rules |
| 9 | and policies; and |
| 10 | WHEREAS, centralized box units are costlier to |
| 11 | install and maintain than boxes for individualized curbside |
| 12 | delivery; and |
| 13 | WHEREAS, centralized box units detract aesthetically |
| 14 | from new residential developments; and |
| 15 | WHEREAS, centralized box units are more inconvenient |
| 16 | to access and use than boxes for individualized curbside |
| 17 | delivery; and |
| 18 | WHEREAS, centralized box units are more likely to |
| 19 | cause damage or loss of mail than boxes for individualized |
| 20 | curbside delivery; and |
| 21 | WHEREAS, centralized box units create an atmosphere |
| 22 | conducive to criminal activity; and |
| 23 | WHEREAS, individualized curbside delivery has |
| 24 | provided a safe and efficient means for the delivery of mail |
| 25 | for generations of Americans; and |

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| 1 | WHEREAS, the cost of centralized boxes comes at the |
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| 2 | expense of the consumer's finances and safety; now therefore, |
| 3 | BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH |
| 4 | HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we urge the United States |
| 5 | Postal Service to cease and abandon any efforts to require |
| 6 | centralized box units for the delivery of mail in any |
| 7 | residential development and to encourage the installation and |
| 8 | use of boxes for individualized curbside delivery. |
| 9 | BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this |
| 10 | resolution be provided to the Postmaster General and Chief |
| 11 | Executive Officer of the United States Postal Service, the |
| 12 | Board of Governors of the United States Postal Service, and |
| 13 | the Vice President for Southern Area Operations of the United |
| 14 | States Postal Service. |

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| 4 | Speaker of the House of Representatives |
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| 6 | President and Presiding Officer of the Senate |
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| 8 9 10 | I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and was adopted by the House $08\text{-}\text{FEB-}18$. |
| 11 12 13 | Jeff Woodard Clerk |
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| 16 | Senate 13-FEB-18 Adopted |
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