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3 By Representatives Williams (JD), Ainsworth, Alexander, Baker,
4 Ball, Bandy, Beckman, Beech, Black, Boothe, Boyd, Bracy,
5 Brown, Buskey, Butler, Carns, Chesteen, Clarke, Clouse,
6 Coleman, Collins, Daniels, Davis, Drake, Drummond, England,
7 Farley, Faulkner, Faust, Fincher, Ford, Forte, Fridy, Garrett,
8 Gaston, Givan, Greer, Grimsley, Hall, Hammon, Hanes, Harbison,
9 Harper, Henry, Hill (J), Hill (M), Holmes (A), Holmes (M),
10 Howard, Hubbard, Hurst, Ingram, Jackson, Johnson (K), Johnson
11 (R), Jones, Knight, Lawrence, Ledbetter, Lee, Lindsey, Martin,
12 McCampbell, McClammy, McCutcheon, McMillan, Melton, Millican,
13 Mooney, Moore (B), Moore (M), Morrow, Nordgren, Patterson,
14 Pettus, Polizos, Poole, Pringle, Rich, Robinson, Rogers, Rowe,
15 Sanderford, Scott, Sells, Sessions, Shedd, Shiver, South,
16 Standridge, Todd, Treadaway, Tuggle, Vance, Wadsworth, Warren,
17 Weaver, Whorton (I), Whorton (R), Wilcox, Williams (JW),
18 Williams (P), Wingo and Wood
19 RFD:
20 First Read: 10-SEP-15

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8 COMMENDING COACH BILL CLARK, UAB FOOTBALL, AND ITS
9 SUPPORTERS.

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11 WHEREAS, the Alabama Legislature recognizes the
12 tremendous success of UAB Football during the 2014 Season; and

13 WHEREAS, the Alabama Legislature recognizes that UAB
14 had nine consecutive losing seasons, winning only five games
15 in the two previous seasons; and

16 WHEREAS, the Alabama Legislature recognizes that UAB
17 Football Program compiled a record of six wins and six losses,
18 culminating with a 45-24 victory over the University of
19 Southern Mississippi which made the Blazers bowl eligible; and

20 WHEREAS, the Alabama Legislature recognizes that
21 UAB's home football attendance increased by 130 percent in
22 2014; and

23 WHEREAS, the Alabama Legislature applauds the
24 success of Coach Bill Clark who was recognized as Conference
25 USA's Coach of the Year in 2014 by a landslide margin in a
26 poll of Conference USA Media Association Members and commends
27 him for this honor; and

1 WHEREAS, the Alabama Legislature finds that a strong
2 UAB football program benefits the City of Birmingham,
3 Jefferson County, and the state as a whole; and

4 WHEREAS, the Alabama Legislature recognizes the
5 support provided by the City of Birmingham and its business
6 community towards ensuring the continued and renewed success
7 of UAB and commends them for this support; now therefore,

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
9 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the Alabama Legislature
10 encourages the University of Alabama System Board of Trustees
11 to ensure the smooth transition of the UAB football program to
12 the Football Bowl Subdivision of the NCAA and further
13 encourages them to approve a multi-year contract for Coach
14 Bill Clark,