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8 ESTABLISHING THE ALABAMA STATE EMPLOYEES  
9 COMPREHENSIVE WELLNESS CENTER INITIATIVE STUDY COMMISSION.

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11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
12 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That there is established the  
13 Alabama State Employees Comprehensive Wellness Center  
14 Initiative Study Commission.

15 (a) The Alabama State Employees Comprehensive  
16 Wellness Center Initiative Study Commission shall be composed  
17 of the following members:

18 (1) The Speaker of the House of Representatives or  
19 his or her designee.

20 (2) The President Pro Tempore of the Senate or his  
21 or her designee.

22 (3) The Chair of the Senate Health Committee or his  
23 or her designee.

24 (4) The Chair of the House Health Committee or his  
25 or her designee.

1           (5) The Chair of the House Ways and Means General  
2 Fund Committee or his or her designee, who shall serve as  
3 co-chair of the commission.

4           (6) The Chair of the Senate Finance and Taxation  
5 General Fund Committee or his or her designee, who shall serve  
6 as co-chair of the commission.

7           (7) One member of the Senate and one member of the  
8 House of Representatives, each of whom shall be a member of  
9 the minority party, to be selected by the co-chairs of the  
10 commission.

11           (8) A representative of the State Employees  
12 Insurance Board to be appointed by the board.

13           (9) A representative of the Alabama State Employees  
14 Association to be appointed by the association.

15           (10) A representative of the Alabama Retired State  
16 Employees Association to be appointed by the association.

17           (b) The Alabama Law Institute (ALI) shall serve as  
18 the primary resource for researching, compiling information,  
19 and drafting the recommended changes to the Code of Alabama  
20 for the commission. The research shall include the examination  
21 of privatized or outsourced wellness centers and programs  
22 operated for the use of employees of Alabama municipalities or  
23 counties with self-funded insurance programs. The research  
24 shall also include the examination of privatized or outsourced  
25 wellness centers and programs operated by other states for the  
26 public employees with self-funded insurance programs.

1 (c) The goals of the commission are to examine and  
2 determine if Alabama's state employees and the General Fund  
3 Budget would benefit from contracting existing wellness center  
4 operations to a third party provider and by expanding access  
5 to wellness clinic services by adding additional clinic  
6 locations and services.

7 (d) The commission shall be charged with the  
8 following duties and responsibilities:

9 (1) Upon adjournment of the 2nd Special Session of  
10 2015, the commission shall schedule a public hearing within 45  
11 calendar days. The public hearing shall be held for the  
12 commission to receive input from the public and from  
13 individuals and businesses who are involved in providing  
14 wellness center management services to public employees in  
15 self-funded insurance plans.

16 (2) The commission shall visit two municipalities or  
17 counties deemed by the commission to have the most successful  
18 privatized wellness center services for public employees.

19 (3) The commission shall publish its findings and  
20 proposals for amending the laws of Alabama on the ALI website  
21 by December 31, 2015, or as soon as practicable thereafter.

22 (e) Upon request of the co-chairs, the Secretary of  
23 the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall  
24 provide necessary clerical assistance for the work of the  
25 commission. Each legislative member of the commission shall be  
26 entitled to his or her regular legislative compensation, per  
27 diem, and travel expense for each day he or she attends a

1 meeting in accordance with Amendment 871 of the Constitution  
2 of Alabama of 1901. The payments shall be paid out of any  
3 funds appropriated to the use of the Legislature.