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3 By Senator Bussman (N & P)  
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9 A BILL  
10 TO BE ENTITLED  
11 AN ACT  
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13 Relating to Cullman County; to amend Section  
14 45-22-222 of the Code of Alabama 1975, relating to parks owned  
15 by the county; to further provide for the remaining funds in  
16 the Cullman County Park Event Disbursement Fund after all  
17 funds due to event winners have been disbursed.

18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

19 Section 1. Section 45-22-222 of the Code of Alabama  
20 1975, is amended to read as follows:

21 "§45-22-222.

22 "(a) Cullman County currently owns or operates  
23 several parks, more specifically described as follows:  
24 Agricultural Trade Center, Clarkson Covered Bridge, Smith Lake  
25 Park, Sportsman Lake Park, and Stony Lonesome OHV Park. The  
26 Cullman County Commission or the authorized agents of the

1 Cullman County Commission or Cullman County may operate all  
2 parks now owned or hereafter owned by Cullman County.

3 "(b) The Legislature recognizes that the operation  
4 of parks mentioned in subsection (a) by Cullman County  
5 provides and serves a substantial public purpose and has a  
6 significant economic impact and benefit to Cullman County.

7 "(c) Given the economic impact, the Cullman County  
8 Commission or an authorized agent of the Cullman County  
9 Commission or Cullman County may conduct events requiring the  
10 collection of fees and disbursements to the winners of the  
11 events.

12 "(d) The Cullman County Commission shall establish  
13 and maintain a Cullman County Park Event Disbursement Fund in  
14 a bank located in Cullman County. All monies collected as  
15 provided above pursuant to this section shall be deposited  
16 into the Cullman County Park Event Disbursement Fund. The fund  
17 may be drawn upon by the Cullman County Commission or the  
18 authorized agent of the Cullman County Commission or Cullman  
19 County for disbursements to the winners of a conducted event.  
20 Any funds remaining in the Cullman County Park Event  
21 Disbursement Fund after disbursement to the winners of an  
22 event ~~shall immediately~~ may be transferred to the individual  
23 park fund responsible for the event and thereafter are  
24 considered public funds or may be held in reserve in the  
25 Cullman County Park Event Disbursement Fund for the payment of  
26 future disbursements.

1                   "(e) The Cullman County Commission shall keep an  
2 account of all fees collected and disbursements for audit by  
3 the Department of Examiners of Public Accounts. The Cullman  
4 County Park Event Disbursement Fund shall be audited at the  
5 same time other accounts of the Cullman County Commission are  
6 audited.

7                   "(f) This section is not intended to affect the  
8 immunity granted to Cullman County or any of its authorized  
9 agencies or agents."

10                   Section 2. This act shall become effective  
11 immediately following its passage and approval by the  
12 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.