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3 By Senators Marsh, Beason, Pittman, Preuitt, Butler, Orr,

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5 URGING CONGRESS TO CONTINUE FUNDING THE E-VERIFY6 PROGRAM.

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8 WHEREAS, E-Verify is an Internet-based program that 9 allows an employer, using information reported on an 10 employee's Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification, to 11 determine the eligibility of the employee to work in the 12 United States; and

WHEREAS, there is no charge to employers to use E-Verify and the system is operated by the Department of Homeland Security in partnership with the Social Security Administration; and

WHEREAS, more than 175,000 employers are enrolled in the program, and the number of registered employers is increasing by over 1,200 per week; and

20 WHEREAS, there were over 8.5 million queries run 21 through the system in fiscal year 2009 and as of December 12, 22 2009, there has been over 2.5 million queries run through the 23 system in fiscal year 2010; and

24 WHEREAS, E-Verify is mandatory for some employers, 25 such as employers with federal contracts or subcontracts that SJR31

contain the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) E-Verify
 clause, and some states have made using E-Verify mandatory for
 employers; and

WHEREAS, with over 444 million records in the database of the Social Security Administration and more than 6 60 million records in the Department of Homeland Security 7 immigration databases, the E-Verify program is an essential 8 tool for states and employers committed to maintaining a legal 9 workforce; now therefore,

10 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH 11 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we respectfully urge Congress 12 to continue funding the E-Verify program so as to provide 13 employers with the necessary tools to verify the employment 14 eligibility of its employees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this
resolution be provided to each member of the Alabama
Congressional Delegation.

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4	President and Presiding Officer of the Senate
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7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14	SJR31 Senate 19-JAN-10 I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution originated in and was adopted by the Senate. McDowell Lee Secretary
16 17 18 19	House of Representatives Adopted: 21-JAN-10
20 21	By: Senator Marsh

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