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3 By Senator Pittman
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4 ENROLLED, SJR71,

5 URGING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY TO
6 ALLOW ADECA TO IDENTIFY NEW OR ADDITIONAL SUBGRANTEES FOR THE
7 WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR LOW INCOME PERSONS.
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9 WHEREAS, Governor Bob Riley Designated the Alabama
10 Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA) as the
11 lead agency for the State of Alabama for the implementation of
12 a weatherization assistance program to increase the energy
13 efficiency of dwellings owned or occupied by low income
14 persons; and

15 WHEREAS, ADECA received approximately \$75 million in
16 a grant award from the United States Department of Energy
17 (US/DOE) to provide such persons renewable energy systems or
18 technologies, reduce their total residential expenditure, and
19 improve their health and safety, especially low income persons
20 who are particularly vulnerable, such as the elderly, persons
21 with disabilities, families with children, high residential
22 energy users, and households with high energy burdens; and

23 WHEREAS, as the US/DOE grantee, ADECA had to ensure
24 in a state application that, in selecting a subgrantee,
25 preference is given to any Community Action Agency (CAA) that

1 is currently administering an effective weatherization program
2 under Part 440 - Weatherization Assistance for Low Income
3 Persons - or under Title II of the Economic Opportunity Act of
4 1964; and

5 WHEREAS, authorization for the identification of new
6 or additional subgrantees is necessary in order for ADECA to
7 administer an effective program; now therefore,

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
9 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we urge the United States
10 Department of Energy to allow the Alabama Department of
11 Economic and Community Affairs to identify new or additional
12 subgrantees at a hearing in accordance with the US/DOE
13 regulations published on January 1, 2009.

14 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
15 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That copies of this resolution will
16 be provided to the United States Secretary of Energy and the
17 Director of the Alabama Department of Economic and Community
18 Affairs.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution
originated in and was adopted by the Senate.

McDowell Lee
Secretary

House of Representatives
Adopted: 25-FEB-10

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