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Senators Jones of the 10th and Jackson of the 2nd offered the following amendment:

- Amend the Senate Regulated Industries and Utilities Committee substitute to HB 487 (LC 34
 3830ER-ECS) by inserting after "cross-references;" on line 15 the following:
- to establish a division within the corporation to monitor and encourage minority business
 participation;
- 5 By inserting between lines 1067 and 1068 the following:

6 **SECTION 2-6.** 7 Said article is further amended by revising paragraph (3) of subsection (1) of Code Section 8 50-27-14, relating to participation by minority businesses, as follows: 9 "50-27-14. 10 (a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the corporation encourage participation by 11 minority businesses. Accordingly, the board of directors shall adopt a plan which achieves 12 to the greatest extent possible a level of participation by minority businesses taking into 13 account the total number of all retailers and vendors, including any subcontractors. 14 (b) There is hereby created within the corporation the Minority Business Participation Division to monitor and encourage participation by minority businesses. The division shall 15 undertake a study of minority business participation with the corporation and shall 16 17 complete a report with findings and recommendations. Such report shall be submitted to the corporation no later than December 31, 2013, and shall include current participation 18 19 rates and proposed participation goals. 20 (c) The corporation, through the division, is authorized and directed to undertake training 21 programs and other educational activities to enable such minority businesses to compete 22 for contracts on an equal basis. The board division shall monitor the results of minority 23 business participation and shall report the results of minority business participation to the 24 Governor at least on an annual basis."