- 5 RFD: Public Safety and Homeland Security
- 6 First Read: 01-MAR-11

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4	A BILL
5	TO BE ENTITLED
6	AN ACT
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8	To amend Section 32-6-9, Code of Alabama 1975,
9	relating to possession and display of a license, to authorize
10	a law enforcement officer to issue a ticket when the officer
11	has reasonable suspicion upon a totality of the circumstances
12	to believe the person was driving without a license; to allow
13	a law enforcement officer to request to see a driver's license
14	if the officer has reasonable cause to believe that the
15	individual was driving even if the officer did not witness the
16	individual driving a motor vehicle.
17	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:
18	Section 1. Section 32-6-9, Code of Alabama 1975, is
19	amended to read as follows:
20	" §32-6-9.
21	"(a) Every licensee shall have his or her license in
22	his or her immediate possession at all times when driving a
23	motor vehicle and shall display the same, upon demand of a
24	judge of any court, a peace officer or a state trooper.
25	However, no person charged with violating this section shall
26	be convicted if he or she produces in court or the office of

1	the arresting officer a driver's license theretofore issued to
2	him or her and valid at the time of his or her arrest.
3	"(b) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a law
4	enforcement officer may request that an individual display his
5	or her driver's license if the officer has reasonable
6	suspicion to believe, upon a totality of the circumstances,
7	that an individual was driving a motor vehicle even if the
8	officer did not observe the individual driving.
9	"(c) If, at the scene of an accident, a person fails
10	to display his or her valid driver's license after a request
11	by a law enforcement officer pursuant to subsection (b), he or
12	she may be issued a citation as provided by law."
13	Section 2. This act shall become effective on the
14	first day of the third month following its passage and

approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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3	House of Representatives
4 5 6 7	Read for the first time and re- ferred to the House of Representa- tives committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security
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9 10 11	Read for the second time and placed on the calendar 1 amendment
12 13	Read for the third time and passed as amended 24-MAY-11
14	Yeas 96, Nays 2, Abstains 1
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