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3 By Senator Dial  
4 RFD: Agriculture, Conservation, and Forestry  
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8 SYNOPSIS: This bill would provide that any economic  
9 incentive granted to any person or entity engaged  
10 in the commercial use of raw forest products would  
11 be extended equitably to all users of raw forest  
12 products in this state so as to establish and  
13 maintain parity within that segment of the economy.

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15 A BILL  
16 TO BE ENTITLED  
17 AN ACT

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19 Relating to revenue and taxation; to define certain  
20 terms; and to provide that any economic incentive granted to  
21 any person or entity engaged in the commercial use of raw  
22 forest products would be extended equitably to all users of  
23 raw forest products.

24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

25 Section 1. (a) For the purposes of this act, the  
26 following terms shall have the following meanings:

1           (1) ECONOMIC INCENTIVE. Any direct price subsidy  
2 made available by the state directly to support the purchase  
3 of raw forest products, not to include any benefit available  
4 under statutorily provided programs.

5           (2) RAW FOREST PRODUCT. Any raw material harvested  
6 or recovered from forest wood or wood waste at its initial  
7 conversion.

8           (b) Any economic incentive granted on or after July  
9 1, 2011, to any person, company, partnership, or other entity  
10 engaged in the commercial use of raw forest products shall be  
11 extended equitably to all users of raw forest products in this  
12 state so as to establish and maintain parity within that  
13 segment of the economy.

14           Section 2. This act shall become effective on July  
15 1, 2011, following its passage and approval by the Governor,  
16 or its otherwise becoming law.