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3 By Senator Jones
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4 ENROLLED, An Act,

5 To amend Section 17-3-8, Code of Alabama 1975, as
6 last amended by Act 2021-243 of the 2021 Regular Session,
7 relating to meeting days of boards of registrars; to increase
8 the number of working days that the Etowah County Board of
9 Registrars may meet each week.

10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

11 Section 1. Section 17-3-8, Code of Alabama 1975, as
12 last amended by Act 2021-243 of the 2021 Regular Session, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 "§17-3-8.

15 "(a) Each member of the board of registrars in the
16 Counties of Clay, Cleburne, Coosa, Dallas, Escambia, Geneva,
17 Lowndes, Perry, Sumter, and Wilcox may meet a maximum of 120
18 working days each fiscal year; each member of the board of
19 registrars in the Counties of Barbour, Blount, Butler,
20 Fayette, Greene, Marengo, Pickens, Pike, Randolph, and Winston
21 may meet a maximum of 168 working days each fiscal year,
22 except in Pike County each board of registrars may meet up to
23 an additional 30 session days each fiscal year, at the
24 discretion of the chair of the county commission, and such
25 days shall be paid from the respective county funds; each

1 member of the board of registrars in the Counties of Coffee,
2 Talladega, and Tallapoosa may meet a maximum of 220 working
3 days each fiscal year, except that in Talladega County the
4 board of registrars may meet up to an additional 30 session
5 days each fiscal year, at the discretion of the chair of the
6 county commission; each member of the board of registrars in
7 the Counties of Dale, Franklin, Houston, Marion, Marshall,
8 Bullock, Macon, and Tuscaloosa may meet a maximum of 216
9 working days each fiscal year; each member of the board of
10 registrars in the Counties of Limestone and Shelby may meet a
11 maximum of 167 working days each fiscal year; and each member
12 of the board of registrars in Russell County may meet a
13 maximum of 177 working days each fiscal year.

14 "(b) In the Counties of Choctaw, Colbert, Cullman,
15 Lauderdale, and Monroe, each member of the board of registrars
16 may meet a maximum of 199 working days each fiscal year.

17 "(c) Each member of the Board of Registrars of
18 Autauga, Elmore, and Bibb Counties may meet a maximum of 187
19 working days each fiscal year. Each member of the Board of
20 Registrars of Walker County may meet a maximum of 200 days
21 each fiscal year, and each member of the Board of Registrars
22 of Lamar, Cherokee, Clarke, Conecuh, Crenshaw, Hale, and
23 Washington Counties may meet a maximum of 140 days each fiscal
24 year. Each member of the board of registrars in the following
25 counties may meet the following maximum number of working days

1 each fiscal year: Henry - 140 working days; Covington - 188
2 working days; DeKalb - 207 working days; Jackson - 207 working
3 days; ~~Etowah - 207 working days;~~ Chambers - 180 working days;
4 and Lawrence - 140 working days.

5 "(d) Each member of the board of registrars in the
6 Counties of Baldwin, Calhoun, Chilton, Etowah, Lee, Madison,
7 Mobile, Montgomery, St. Clair, and Morgan are authorized to
8 meet not more than five days each week for the purpose of
9 carrying out their official duties. Jefferson County, which is
10 now operating under the provisions of local laws, shall be
11 exempted from this section. Provided, however, that where the
12 term each year is used in the local laws the term means each
13 fiscal year.

14 "(e) The actual number of working days to be used as
15 session days shall be determined by a quorum of the board of
16 registrars according to the needs of the county.

17 "(f) As many as 25 of the allotted working days may
18 be used for special registration sessions (i.e., those
19 sessions held away from the courthouse in the several
20 precincts of the county or sessions held on Saturday or
21 between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.). Notice of any
22 special session scheduled by the board shall be given at least
23 10 days prior to the special session by: (1) Bills posted at
24 three or more public places in each election precinct
25 affected, if the session involves precinct visits; and (2)

1 advertisement once a week for two successive weeks in a
2 newspaper published in the county or by radio or television
3 announcements on a local station, or both by newspaper or
4 announcement."

5 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the
6 first day of the third month following its passage and
7 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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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 Act originated in and passed
the Senate.

Patrick Harris,
Secretary.

House of Representatives
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By: Senator Jones