

1 HB283  
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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, members of the  
9 Legislature were given the opportunity to purchase  
10 desks or chairs for their personal use at the time  
11 the State Capitol building was renovated.

12 This bill would authorize the Secretary of  
13 the Senate and Clerk of the House of  
14 Representatives, at their discretion, to allow  
15 members of the Legislature to purchase chairs or  
16 desks used in the legislative chamber for their  
17 personal use at the full replacement cost.

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19 A BILL  
20 TO BE ENTITLED  
21 AN ACT  
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23 Relating to the Legislature; to add Section  
24 29-1-23.1 to the Code of Alabama 1975, to authorize the  
25 Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House, at their  
26 discretion, to allow members of the Legislature to purchase

1 chairs or desks used in the legislative chamber for their  
2 personal use at the full replacement cost.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

4 Section 1. Section 29-1-23.1 is added to the Code of  
5 Alabama 1975, to read as follows:

6 §29-1-23.1.

7 (a) Notwithstanding Section 29-1-23, the Secretary  
8 of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives  
9 may allow a member of the respective body of the Legislature  
10 to purchase a chair or a desk used by that member in the  
11 respective legislative chamber for his or her personal  
12 possession. The secretary and the clerk shall establish the  
13 replacement cost in accordance with subsection (b), guidelines  
14 for eligibility of members, and any restrictions on the  
15 purchase of desks and chairs.

16 (b) The Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the  
17 House of Representatives may not sell any desk or chair to a  
18 member of the Legislature at a cost below the full cost of  
19 replacement with a comparable desk or chair of the same  
20 quality.

21 (c) At the time a legislative chamber is renovated,  
22 the Secretary of the Senate or the Clerk of the House of  
23 Representatives, as the case may be, may acquire a chair or  
24 desk or both for archival purposes.

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

