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| 2 | ENROLLED | , An | Act, |
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Relating to commerce; to establish the Alabama
Rural, Agribusiness, and Opportunity Zone Jobs Act; and to
establish a procedure for the certification of growth funds.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the Alabama Rural, Agribusiness, and Opportunity Zone Jobs Act.

Section 2. As used in this act, the following words shall have the following meanings:

- (1) AFFILIATE. An entity that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with another entity. For the purposes of this subdivision, an entity is controlled by another entity if the controlling person holds, directly or indirectly, the majority voting or ownership interest in the controlled person or has control over the day-to-day operations of the controlled person by contract or by law.
- (2) AGRIBUSINESS. A business that earns a majority of its revenues from either farming, forestry, biotechnology, fisheries, or biofuels and the processing, manufacturing, packaging, storage, distribution, marketing, and sales of those products or commodities, or the design, creation,

| L | manufacture, | marketing,  | or   | sales   | of   | technology, | equipment, | or |
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- (3) CLOSING DATE. The date the department and the growth fund execute the SSBCI loan <del>closes</del> agreement.
- (4) DEPARTMENT. A department designated by the Office of the Governor.
- (4) DEPARTMENT. The state body, department, subdivision, or agency authorized by the state to direct federal funds available under Subtitle C of Title III of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.
- (5) FOLLOW-ON CAPITAL. The sum of 50 percent of each initial growth investment, subsequent growth investments made to satisfy subdivision (a)(2) of Section 5 and any additional financing received by a growth business on or after the date of the initial growth investment, including senior debt, subordinate debt, mortgage debt, equipment financing, mezzanine debt, convertible notes, revolving lines of credit, letters of credit, capital leases, preferred equity, participating preferred equity, convertible preferred equity, common equity, warrants and simple agreements for future equity and any other financing approved by the department.
- (6) FOLLOW-ON CAPITAL PERCENTAGE. Fifty percent multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the aggregate follow-on capital reported to the department in reports submitted pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 6 and

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| 1 | the  | denomi | nator  | of   | which | is  | 10   | times  | the   | amount | of | the | SSBCI |
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| 2 | loan | . The  | percer | ntag | e may | exc | ceed | l 50 r | ercer | nt.    |    |     |       |

- 3 (7) GROWTH BUSINESS. A business to which all of the 4 following apply at the time of the initial investment in the 5 company by a growth fund:
  - a. Has fewer than 200 employees.

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- b. Has its principal business operations in one ormore growth zones in the state.
  - c. Is made in any of the following:
  - 1. Any business in North American Industry

    Classification System codes 11, 21, 22, 23, 31 through 33, 48

    through 49, 54, or 62 or, if not engaged in those industries,

    the department decides that the investment will be beneficial
    to the growth zone.
    - 2. An agribusiness.
    - 3. A minority owned business.
- 17 (8) GROWTH FUND. An entity certified by the department under subsection (g) of Section 3.
  - (9) GROWTH INVESTMENT. Any capital or equity investment in a growth business or any loan to a growth business with a stated maturity at least one year after the date of issuance, provided that with respect to any loan to a growth business secured by accounts receivable, inventory, real estate, or other tangible property, the chief executive officer or similar official of the growth business executes an

| 1 | affidavit that the business sought and was denied similar      |
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| 2 | financing from a banking institution doing business in this    |
| 3 | state. Fifty percent of a growth investment shall be comprised |
| 4 | of a draw on the SSBCI loan with the remaining 50 percent      |
| 5 | funded with the growth fund's matching capital.                |

- (10) GROWTH ZONE. A rural county of the state with less than 50,000 in population pursuant to the 2020 Federal Decennial Census, or a qualified opportunity zone as designated pursuant to 26 U.S.C. § 1400Z-2 1400Z-1 with a poverty rate of at least 20 percent, or otherwise meeting the definition of low-income community in Section 45-D of the Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S.C. §45D).
- (11) HIGH WAGE EMPLOYMENT POSITION. An employment position that is filled, pays a wage of at least 110 percent of the county average as noted in the most recent quarterly County Employment and Wages report by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor, and requires at least 35 hours of work per week or any other period of time generally accepted by custom, industry, or practice as full-time employment.
- (12) INVESTMENT AUTHORITY. The amount stated on the notice issued under subsection (g) of Section 3 certifying the growth fund.
- (13) JOBS RETAINED. The number of high wage employment positions that existed before the initial growth

| investment and for which the growth business's chief executive |
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| officer or similar officer certifies that the high wage        |
| employment position would have been eliminated but for the     |
| initial growth investment. The retained jobs of a growth       |
| business shall be calculated each year based on the monthly    |
| average of high wage employment positions. The reported number |
| of retained jobs may not exceed the number reported on the     |
| initial report required under subsection (a) of Section 6.     |

- (14) MANAGEMENT FEE. An amount equal to three percent per annum of the growth fund's investment authority that accrues annually, but shall not be paid until the growth fund exits the program in accordance with subsection (e) of Section 5.
- (15) MATCHING CAPITAL. An amount of capital raised by the growth fund as debt or equity and invested in growth businesses. Matching capital shall only be considered debt of the growth fund and eligible for repayment pursuant to subdivision (e)(2)a. of Section 5 if the growth fund provides evidence of such direct or indirect debt to the department.
- (16) MINORITY OWNED BUSINESS. A business that is more than 50 percent owned by one or more individuals of African-American, Asian, or Hispanic origin.
- (17) NEW ANNUAL JOBS. Except as provided in paragraph c., the term means the difference between paragraphs a. and b.

| 1 |           | a.1. | The | monthly   | average   | of   | high  | wage | employment |
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| 2 | positions | for  | the | precedino | g calenda | ar v | year. |      |            |

- 2. If the preceding calendar year contains the initial growth investment, the monthly average of high wage employment positions for the months including and after the initial growth investment and before the end of the preceding calendar year.
- b. The number of high wage employment positions at the growth business on the date of the initial growth investment.
- c. If the amount calculated in subparagraph a.1. is less than zero, the new annual jobs amount is equal to zero.
- (18) NEW ANNUAL JOBS AND JOBS RETAINED PERCENTAGE.

  Fifty percent multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of new annual jobs and jobs retained reported in annual reports submitted to the department pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 6 and the denominator of which is the number of new annual jobs and jobs retained set forth in the growth fund's certification provided pursuant to subsection (g) of Section 3. The percentage may exceed 50 percent.
- (19) PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OPERATIONS. The place or places where at least 60 percent of the business's employees work or where employees that are paid at least 60 percent of the business's payroll work. A business that has agreed to

| 1 | relocate or hire new employees using the proceeds of a growth  |
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| 2 | investment to establish its principal business operations in a |
| 3 | growth zone in the state shall be deemed to have its principal |
| 4 | business operations in this new location, provided the         |
| 5 | business satisfies this requirement within 180 days after      |
| 6 | receiving the growth investment, unless the department agrees  |
| 7 | to a later date.   |

(20) PROGRAM EXIT. The process described in subsection (e) of Section 5.

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- 10 (21) SSBCI. The federal State Small Business Credit

  11 Initiative pursuant to Subtitle C of Title III of the American

  12 Rescue Plan of 2021.
- 13 (21) (22) SSBCI FUND. The SSBCI Alabama Rural,
  14 Agribusiness, and Opportunity Zone Jobs Act Account which is
  15 hereby established.
  - (22) (23) SSBCI FUNDING. An amount equal to twenty-five million dollars (\$25,000,000) of the State of Alabama's allocation of funds pursuant to Subtitle C of Title III of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 which shall be deposited in the SSBCI fund.
- 21 (23) (24) SSBCI LOAN. A loan made by this state to a
  22 SSBCI LOAN. A loan made to a growth fund using SSBCI funding.
  23 The department and the growth fund shall execute a loan
  24 agreement which shall provide for:

| 1  | a. An interest rate of one percent interest                    |
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| 2  | compounding annually which shall be due upon program exit or   |
| 3  | acceleration pursuant to Section 5.                            |
| 4  | b. Forgiveness at exit of a percentage of principal            |
| 5  | and interest due on the SSBCI loan equal to the sum of the     |
| 6  | follow-capital percentage and the new annual and jobs retained |
| 7  | percentage, provided forgiveness shall not be available with   |
| 8  | respect to SSBCI loans accelerated pursuant to Section 5.      |
| 9  | c. Subordination to matching capital funded directly           |
| 10 | or indirectly as debt, which subordination may be revoked      |
| 11 | pursuant to Section 5.   |
| 12 | d. Draws in connection with growth investments in              |
| 13 | accordance with subsection (c) of Section 4.                   |
| 14 | Section 3. (a) Upon receipt of an allocation of                |
| 15 | funds pursuant to Subtitle C of Title III of the American      |
| 16 | Rescue Plan Act of 2021, the department shall cause the SSBCI  |
| 17 | funding to be deposited in the SSBCI fund.                     |
| 18 | (b) Within 30 days of this state's receipt of an               |
| 19 | allocation of funds pursuant to Subtitle C of Title III of the |
| 20 | (b) Within 30 days of the approval of the state's              |
| 21 | application for federal funds pursuant to Subtitle C of Title  |
| 22 | III of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, the department    |

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shall accept applications for certification as a growth fund

on a form prescribed by the department. The application shall

include all of the following:

| 1 | (1)            | The total  | investmen | nt authority | and SSBCI | [ loan  |
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| 2 | sought by the  | applicant  | not to ex | ceed fifteen | million   | dollars |
| 3 | (\$15,000,000) | and seven  | million f | five hundred | thousand  | dollars |
| 4 | (\$7,500,000), | respective | ely.      |              |           |         |

- (2) Evidence that the applicant, or an affiliate of the applicant, is licensed as a rural business investment company under 7 U.S.C. § 2009cc or as a small business investment company under 15 U.S.C. § 681, including a certificate executed by an executive officer of the applicant attesting that the license remains in effect and has not been revoked, and that at least one principal in a rural business investment company or a small business investment company is, and has been for at least five years, an officer or employee of the applicant or an affiliate of the applicant on the date the application is submitted.
- (3) Evidence that as of the date the application is submitted, the applicant or affiliates of the applicant have invested at least one hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) in, or lent at least fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) to, nonpublic companies located in nonmetropolitan counties, as defined by the Office of Management and Budget within the Office of the President of the United States, on the basis of county or county-equivalent units and invested at least twenty-five million dollars

| L | (\$25,000,000) | in <u>,</u> | or lent  | at l | .east | twenty-five | million | dollars |
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| 2 | (\$25,000,000) | to,         | minority | own  | ed bu | sinesses.   |         |         |

- (4) An estimate of the number of aggregate new annual jobs that will be created and jobs retained in this state because of the applicant's growth investments.
- (5) A business plan that includes a revenue impact assessment projecting state and local tax revenue, as well as reduced state expenditures, to be generated by the applicant's proposed growth investments prepared by a nationally recognized third-party independent economic forecasting firm using a dynamic economic forecasting model that analyzes the applicant's business plan over the 10 years following the date the application is submitted to the department.
- (6) A letter of credit issued to the applicant from a depository institution equal to at least 50 percent of the amount of investment authority requested or similar evidence that the applicant has secured matching capital equal to such amount.
- (7) A nonrefundable application fee of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) payable to the department.
- (8) An education and marketing plan to educate growth businesses regarding the availability of funds and requirements for participation pursuant to this act.
- (c) Within 30 days after receipt of a completed application containing the information set forth in subsection

| 1  | (b), the department shall grant or deny the application. The   |
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| 2  | department shall deem applications received on the same day to |
| 3  | have been received simultaneously. The department shall        |
| 4  | approve investment authority up to an amount that would allow  |
| 5  | not more than fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) of          |
| 6  | investment authority and twenty-five million dollars           |
| 7  | (\$25,000,000) of SSBCI loans. If requests for investment      |
| 8  | authority and SSBCI loans exceed this limitation, the          |
| 9  | department shall proportionally reduce the investment          |
| 10 | authority and SSBCI loan for each approved application as      |
| 11 | necessary to avoid exceeding the limit.                        |

- (d) The department shall deny an application if any of the following are true:
  - (1) The application is incomplete.

- (2) The applicant does not satisfy all the criteria described in subdivisions (2), (3),  $\underline{(6)}$ , and (7) of subsection (b).
  - (3) The revenue impact assessment submitted under subdivision (b) (6) (5) does not demonstrate that the applicant's business plan will result in an economic impact on this state over a 10-year period that exceeds the growth fund's SSBCI loan.
- (4) The department has already approved the maximum amount of investment authority and SSBCI loans allowed under subsection (c).

| (e) If the department denies an application, the                         |
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| applicant may provide additional information to the department           |
| to complete, clarify, or cure defects in the application                 |
| identified by the department, except for failure to comply               |
| with subdivision (b) $\frac{(7)}{(6)}$ , within 15 days of the notice of |
| denial for reconsideration and determination. The department             |
| shall review and reconsider the applications for which                   |
| additional information is provided within the 15-day period              |
| within 30 days and, if approved, the application shall be                |
| considered complete as of its original submission date.                  |

- (f) The department may not reduce the requested investment authority or deny a growth fund application for reasons other than those described in subsections (c) and (d).
- (g) Upon approval of an application, the department shall certify the applicant as a growth fund, specifying the amount of the applicant's investment authority, SSBCI loan, aggregate required matching capital, and the number of new annual jobs and jobs retained that will be required of the growth fund, which shall match those projected in the growth fund's application, prorated on the basis of the investment authority awarded to the growth fund.
- (h) An approved growth fund may apply for additional investment authority and SSBCI loans once it has invested 100 percent of its outstanding investment authority.

Section 4. (a) Within 30 days of certification of a growth fund, the department shall enter into the SSBCI loan agreement with the growth fund and segregate for draws by the growth fund in the SSBCI fund an amount of SSBCI funding equal to the SSBCI loan awarded to such growth fund.

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- (b) A growth fund, before making a growth investment, shall request from the department a written opinion as to whether the business in which it proposes to invest satisfies the definition of a growth business. The department, not later than 15 business days after the date of receipt of the request, shall notify the growth fund of its determination. If the department fails to notify the growth fund of its determination within 15 business days, the business in which the growth fund proposes to invest shall be considered a growth business. Each request for a written opinion shall be accompanied by a five hundred dollar (\$500) opinion fee payable to the department.
- (c) At least five business days prior to a growth investment, a growth fund shall make a draw request on the SSBCI loan to the department. The draw on the SSBCI loan shall not exceed 50 percent of the proposed growth investment. At least two business days prior to a growth investment, a growth fund shall notify the department of the date of the closing of the growth investment and the department shall transfer the amount of draw requested from the SSBCI fund to an account

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designated by the growth fund on the following day. The growth fund shall return the proceeds of the draw if the growth investment is not made within the three business days of receipt of the draw unless the return is waived by the department.

Section 5. (a) A growth fund shall forfeit its

Management Fee and the SSBCI loan shall be immediately due and

Management Fee, the SSBCI loan shall be immediately due and

its subordination immediately revoked, and remaining draws on
the SSBCI loan forfeited if:

- (1) Within 12 months of the closing date:
- a. The growth fund does not invest 100 percent of its investment authority in growth investments in this state, of which at least 25 percent shall be invested in agribusiness and at least 25 percent shall be invested in minority owned businesses, and of which at least 50 percent shall be invested in growth businesses located in rural areas and at least 25 percent shall be invested in growth businesses located in Qualified Opportunity Zones.
- b. With respect to awards of investment authority less than seven million five hundred thousand dollars (\$7,500,000), the growth fund does not invest 100 percent of its investment authority in this state, of which at least 50 percent of growth investments shall be made in agribusiness or

minority owned businesses and at least 75 percent of growth
investments shall be made in rural areas or opportunity zones.

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- (2) The growth fund, after satisfying subdivision

  (1), fails to maintain growth investments equal to 100 percent of its investment authority until the sixth anniversary of the closing date in accordance with the levels set forth in subdivision (1). For the purposes of this subdivision, a growth investment is maintained even if it is sold or repaid so long as the growth fund reinvests an amount equal to the capital returned or recovered from the original investment, exclusive of any profits realized, in other growth investments in this state within 12 months of the receipt of the capital. Amounts received periodically by a growth fund shall be treated as continuously invested in growth investments if the amounts are reinvested in one or more growth investments by the end of the following calendar year.
- (3) The growth fund, before program exit, makes a distribution or payment that results in the growth fund having less than 100 percent of its investment authority invested in growth investments in this state or available for investment in growth investments and held in cash and other marketable securities. securities, or makes a distribution or payment to an equity holder, other than to fund payments with respect to matching capital funded indirectly as debt, without consent of the department.

| (4) The growth fund makes a growth investment in a             |
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| growth business that directly or indirectly through an         |
| affiliate owns, has the right to acquire an ownership interest |
| in, makes a loan to, or makes an investment in the growth      |
| fund, an affiliate of the growth fund, or an investor in the   |
| growth fund. This subdivision does not apply to investments in |
| publicly traded securities by a growth business or an owner or |
| affiliate of the growth business. For purposes of this         |
| subdivision, a growth fund will not be considered an affiliate |
| of a growth business solely because of its growth investment.  |

- (b) The maximum amount of growth investments in a growth business including amounts invested in affiliates of the growth business, that may be counted towards its satisfaction of the requirements of subdivisions (a) (1) and (2) is the greater of three million dollars (\$3,000,000) or 20 percent of its total investment authority, exclusive of repaid or redeemed growth investments.
- (c) Upon violation of this section, the department shall notify the growth fund. The growth fund shall have 90 days from the date the notice was received to correct any violation outlined in the notice to the satisfaction of the department and to avoid the penalties set forth in subsection (a).
- (d) If an SSBCI loan is accelerated, the remaining draws on the SSBCI loan and associated investment authority

shall not count toward the limit on the SSBCI loans and total investment authority described by subsection (c) of Section 3. The department shall first award reverted investment authority and SSBCI loans pro rata basis to each growth fund that was awarded less than the amount requested in an application. The department may award any remaining investment authority and SSBCI loans to new applicants.

- (e) (1) On or after the seventh anniversary of the closing date, a growth fund may apply to the department to exit the program and no longer be subject to regulation except as set forth in subdivision (2). The application shall include a calculation of the follow-on percentage and the new jobs and retained jobs percentage. The department shall respond to the application within 30 days of receipt. In evaluating the application, the fact that the SSBCI loan has not been violated and that the growth fund has not received a notice of revocation that has not been cured under subsection (c) shall be sufficient evidence to prove that the growth fund is eligible for exit. The department may not unreasonably deny an application submitted under this subsection. If the application is denied, the notice shall include the reasons for the determination.
- (2) On or after an exit under this subsection, the growth fund may make distributions and payments as follows:

| 1  | a. First, to pay principal and interest on matching           |
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| 2  | capital funded directly or indirectly as debt.                |
| 3  | b. Second, to pay management fees unless prohibited           |
| 4  | under Section 5.  |
| 5  | c. Third, to pay principal and interest on the SSBCI          |
| 6  | <del>loan, if applicable.</del>                               |
| 7  | c. Third, to pay any principal and interest on the            |
| 8  | SSBCI loan not deemed to be forgiven pursuant to paragraph    |
| 9  | (24)b. of Section 2.  |
| 10 | d. Fourth, to make distributions to its equity                |
| 11 | holders.  |
| 12 | Section 6. (a) Each growth fund shall submit a                |
| 13 | report to the department on or before the fifth business day  |
| 14 | after the first anniversary of the closing date prior to      |
| 15 | program exit and include all of the following:                |
| 16 | (1) A bank statement evidencing each growth                   |
| 17 | investment.   |
| 18 | (2) The name, location, and industry of each growth           |
| 19 | business receiving a growth investment, including the written |
| 20 | opinion if provided by the department pursuant to subsection  |
| 21 | (b) of Section 4.   |
| 22 | (3) The number of high wage employment positions at           |
| 23 | each growth business on the date of the growth fund's initial |
| 24 | growth investment as evidenced on a payroll report certified  |

by the growth business.

| 1 | (b) Thereafter, if not previously provided pursuant          |
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| 2 | to subsection (a), each growth fund shall submit a report to |
| 3 | the department on or before April 15 of each year prior to   |
| 4 | program exit and include all of the following unless         |
| 5 | previously provided:   |

(1) A bank statement evidencing each growth investment.

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- (2) The name, location, and industry of each growth business receiving a growth investment, including the written opinion if provided by the department pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 4.
- (3) The number of high wage employment positions at each growth business on the date of the growth fund's initial growth investment as evidenced on a payroll report certified by the growth business.
- (4) The number of new annual jobs and jobs retained at each growth business as of December 31 of the prior calendar year as evidenced on a payroll report certified by the growth business.
- (5) The average annual salary of the positions described in subdivisions (3) and (4).
- (6) The cumulative amount of growth investments made in growth businesses.
- (7) Financial statements for the preceding calendar year audited by an independent certified public accounting

| L | firm, which shall include an opinion of, or an agreed upon    |
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| 2 | procedures letter issued by, the independent certified public |
| 3 | accounting firm as to the growth fund's compliance with the   |
| 1 | requirements of this act                                      |

- (8) The amount of follow-on capital attracted by the growth business as certified by the growth business.
- (9) Any other information required by the department.

- (10) A five thousand dollar (\$5,000) annual fee.
- (c) The growth fund shall use best efforts to obtain and provide information with respect to growth investments that have been redeemed or repaid as part of the annual report set forth in subsection (b) and shall provide the information if available.

Section 7. The department shall report to the Legislature beginning in 2023, pursuant to the provisions of Section 40-1-50, Code of Alabama 1975, and rules adopted by the Department of Revenue, providing an assessment of the incentives allowed in this.

Section 8. (a) The department may adopt rules to implement and administer this act.

(b) The department shall issue all forms and notices required by this act in accordance with the requirements of this act.

|           | Section 9. <u>Under Subtitle C of Title III of the</u>  |
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| American  | Rescue Plan Act of 2021, the United States Treasury     |
| has been  | appropriated certain funds to use for the support of    |
| private b | ousinesses in each of the states. Each state is given   |
| the oppos | rtunity to apply for a certain amount of these funds,   |
| provided  | the funds are directly invested or used to support      |
| private e | enterprises pursuant to financing structures that are   |
| approved  | by the Treasury after application by the state. It is   |
| expected  | that the State of Alabama will be entitled to request   |
| more than | n twenty-five million dollars (\$25,000,000) under this |
| federal p | orogram. It is the intent of the Legislature that the   |
| program s | set forth in this act be included as part of the State  |
| of Alabar | ma's application to the United States Treasury as a     |
| Venture ( | Capital Program, and if the application is approved,    |
| that the  | funds provided by the Treasury be used as set forth     |
| in this a | act. The Legislature notes that the program requires a  |
| dollar fo | or dollar private capital match to the dollars          |
| invested  | by the Treasury, no reduction for administrative        |
| costs, an | nd incentives to help ensure that the federal dollars   |
| are event | tually leveraged on a ten-to-one basis. The provisions  |
| of this a | act shall not become operative until guidance is        |
| released  | by the United States Treasury regarding the State       |
| Small Bus | siness Credit Initiative pursuant to Subtitle C of      |
| Title III | I of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.              |

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| 1 |            | Section | 10.   | This a | act  | shall  | become   | effective  | on  | the |
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| 4              |   | Speaker of the House of Repr   | resentatives                       |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 6              | I   | President and Presiding Office | er of the Senate                   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7              |   | House of Representative        | es                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8<br>9<br>10   | I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and was passed by the House 20-APR-21, as amended. |                                |                                    |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11<br>12<br>13 |   | Jeff Woodard<br>Clerk          | d                                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14             |   |                                | _                                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15             | Senate  | Amended and Passed             |                                    |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16             | House   | 17-MAY-21                      | Concurred in Sen-<br>ate Amendment |  |  |  |  |  |