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184721-1:n:04/05/2017:MA/cj LRS2017-1540 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, there is no provision for the castration of certain convicted sex 9 10 offenders. 11 This bill would provide that any person over 12 the age of 21 years who is convicted of certain sex 13 offenses against a child 12 years of age or younger 14 be chemically castrated before his or her release 15 from the custody of the Department of Corrections. 16 This bill would require that the cost of the 17 procedure be paid by the adult criminal sex 18 offender. 19 20 A BILL 21 TO BE ENTITLED 22 AN ACT 23 24 Relating to punishment of sex offenders; to provide 25 that any person over the age of 21 years who is convicted of 26 certain sex offenses against a child 12 years of age or younger be chemically castrated before his or her release from 27

the custody of the Department of Corrections; and to require the cost of the procedure to be paid by the adult criminal sex offender.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

5 Section 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any time a victim is 12 years old or less and the adult 6 7 sex offender, as defined in Section 15-20A-4, Code of Alabama 8 1975, is 21 years or older at the time of the offense, the 9 criminal sex offender shall be chemically castrated before 10 being released from the custody of the Department of 11 Corrections. The cost of the procedure shall be paid by the adult criminal sex offender. 12

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