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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, there is no requirement
9 for departments and agencies of the Alabama
10 Legislature to notify each member of the
11 Legislature whenever a legal action is instituted
12 against the department or agency or any of their
13 employees acting in their official capacity.

14 This bill would require each department and
15 agency of the Alabama Legislature to notify in
16 writing each member of the Legislature whenever a
17 legal action is instituted against the department
18 or agency or any of their employees acting in their
19 official capacity, and to post the notice on the
20 Internet website of the Alabama Legislature.

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22 A BILL
23 TO BE ENTITLED
24 AN ACT

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26 To require each department and agency of the Alabama
27 Legislature to notify in writing each member of the

1 Legislature whenever a legal action is instituted against the
2 department or agency or any of their employees acting in their
3 official capacity.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

5 Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited
6 as the Legislative Litigation Accountability Act.

7 Section 2. (a) Each department and agency of the
8 Alabama Legislature shall notify in writing each member of the
9 Legislature whenever a legal action is instituted against the
10 department or agency or any employee of a department or agency
11 acting in his or her official capacity.

12 (b) The notice shall consist of the following:

13 (1) The nature of the legal action.

14 (2) The relief sought.

15 (c) The notice of the legal action shall be posted
16 on the Internet website of the Alabama Legislature.

17 Section 3. This act shall become effective on the
18 first day of the third month following its passage and
19 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.