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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, a notary public is not
9 required to maintain a journal register of his or
10 her official acts.

11 This bill would require a notary public to
12 maintain a journal register of all official acts
13 and would require that at death, resignation, or
14 removal from his or her term as notary the
15 registers would be delivered to the judge of
16 probate of the county where he or she received a
17 commission.

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19 A BILL
20 TO BE ENTITLED
21 AN ACT
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23 Relating to a notary public; to require a notary
24 public to keep a journal of official acts and in the case of
25 death, resignation, or expiration of term to deliver the
26 journal to the judge of probate of the county where he or she

1 received a commission; and in this connection, to add Section
2 36-20-74.1 to the Code of Alabama 1975.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

4 Section 1. Section 36-20-74.1 is added to the Code
5 of Alabama 1975, to read as follows:

6 §36-20-74.1.

7 (a) Each notary public shall keep a journal register
8 of all official acts performed.

9 (b) A notary public or former notary public shall
10 provide a certified copy from the journal register of notarial
11 acts, when requested, on payment of the notary's legal fees
12 and presentation of a signed written request containing the
13 name of the parties, the title or type of document, and month
14 and year the document was notarized.

15 (c) In case of the death, resignation, removal, or
16 expiration of his or her term of office, the journal registers
17 of any notary must, within 30 days thereafter, be delivered to
18 the judge of probate of the county where he or she received a
19 commission.

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