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3 By Senators Marsh and Smitherman  
4 RFD: Transportation and Energy  
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8 SYNOPSIS: This bill adds two additional members to the  
9 Permanent Joint Transportation Committee.

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11 A BILL  
12 TO BE ENTITLED  
13 AN ACT  
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15 Relating to the Permanent Joint Transportation  
16 Committee, to amend Section 29-2-2, Code of Alabama 1975, as  
17 last amended by Act 2019-1 of the 2019 First Special Session,  
18 relating to the membership of the committee.

19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

20 Section 1. Section 29-2-2, Code of Alabama 1975, as  
21 last amended by Act 2019-1 of the 2019 First Special Session,  
22 is amended to read as follows:

23 "§29-2-2.

24 "(a) There is hereby created a continuing permanent  
25 joint transportation committee of the Legislature to be known  
26 as the "Joint Transportation Committee." The committee shall  
27 consist of ~~twelve~~ thirteen members of the Senate appointed by

1 the President of the Senate and ~~twelve~~ thirteen members of the  
2 House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House  
3 of Representatives, one senator and one house member to be a  
4 resident of each present United States congressional district  
5 in the state, and one senator and one house member to be a  
6 resident of each Alabama Department of Transportation region,  
7 and one senator and one house member who shall be from the  
8 minority party to serve at-large. ~~Of the total membership, a~~  
9 ~~minimum of two members shall be from the Minority party.~~

10 "(b) The members that reside in the Alabama  
11 Department of Transportation regions of the Joint  
12 Transportation Committee shall be appointed within thirty days  
13 of the effective date of this act; in subsequent years,  
14 members of the Joint Transportation Committee shall be  
15 appointed within five legislative days after the convening of  
16 the first regular session after the election of each  
17 Legislature. Members shall hold office during their terms as  
18 legislators and until their successors are appointed.  
19 Vacancies shall be filled by appointment by the respective  
20 presiding officer. Appointments shall be made in compliance  
21 with the residency requirements established by this act.

22 "(c) The appointing authorities shall coordinate  
23 their appointments to assure the committee membership is  
24 inclusive and reflects the racial, gender, geographic, urban,  
25 rural, and economic diversity of the state."

1                   Section 2. This act shall become effective  
2       immediately following its passage and approval by the  
3       Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.