

1 SB488  
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3 By Senator Bedford  
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8 SYNOPSIS: This bill would require the Emergency  
9 Management Agency to issue standard photo  
10 identification cards to certain first responders  
11 who request identification cards for the purpose of  
12 assisting with on-site relief efforts in a disaster  
13 stricken area.  
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17 AN ACT  
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20 standard photo identification cards to certain first  
21 responders who request identification cards for the purpose of  
22 assisting with on-site relief efforts in a disaster stricken  
23 area.

24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

25 Section 1. (a) The Emergency Management Agency shall  
26 issue standard photo identification cards to active and  
27 retired firefighters, law enforcement officers, or emergency

1 medical personnel employed or retired from a state or local  
2 governmental entity who request an identification card for the  
3 purpose of assisting with on-site relief efforts in a disaster  
4 stricken area and who are certified as provided herein. The  
5 standard photo identification card shall contain the following  
6 information:

7 (1) Name.

8 (2) Name of the agency where the first responder is  
9 employed or is retired from.

10 (3) Active or retired status.

11 (b) The Firefighters' Personnel Standards and  
12 Education Commission shall be the certifying authority for  
13 firefighters and emergency medical technicians.

14 (c) The Peace Officers Standards and Training  
15 Commission shall be the certifying authority for law  
16 enforcement officers.

17 (d) The standard photo identification cards shall be  
18 valid for two years.

19 (e) The cost of the standard photo identification  
20 cards shall be paid by the Emergency Management Agency.

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