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9 A BILL  
10 TO BE ENTITLED  
11 AN ACT  
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13 Relating to Dale County; authorizing the sheriff to  
14 operate a jail store for prisoners in county custody;  
15 providing for the deposit, distribution, and auditing of  
16 monies earned; and confirming and ratifying certain prior  
17 actions.

18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

19 Section 1. The Sheriff of Dale County or the  
20 authorized agents of the sheriff may operate a jail store for  
21 prisoners within the confines of the county jail. The jail  
22 store shall be operated to serve the needs of the jail  
23 population.

24 Section 2. (a) The sheriff shall establish and  
25 maintain a Sheriff's Law Enforcement Fund in a bank located in  
26 Dale County. All proceeds collected under this act shall be  
27 tax exempt and deposited by the sheriff into the Sheriff's Law

1 Enforcement Fund. All jail store transactions shall be  
2 accounted for in the fund.

3 (b) The sheriff shall keep an account of all jail  
4 store sales and transactions of the Sheriff's Law Enforcement  
5 Fund for audit by the Department of Examiners of Public  
6 Accounts. The jail store account and Sheriff's Law Enforcement  
7 Fund shall be audited at the same time other accounts of the  
8 sheriff are audited. The Department of Examiners of Public  
9 Accounts shall submit a copy of the audit to the sheriff  
10 within 30 days of its completion.

11 Section 3. All profits realized in the operation of  
12 the jail store shall be expended at the discretion of the  
13 sheriff for law enforcement purposes in Dale County that are  
14 in the interest of the public.

15 Section 4. The establishment of the Sheriff's Law  
16 Enforcement Fund and the use of the proceeds shall not  
17 diminish or take the place of any other source of income  
18 established for the sheriff or the operation of the office.

19 Section 5. Any actions relating to the operation of  
20 a jail store in the county jail prior to the effective date of  
21 this act are ratified and confirmed. Any existing proceeds  
22 derived from the operation of a jail store in the county jail  
23 prior to the effective date of this act shall be deposited  
24 into the Sheriff's Law Enforcement Fund created by this act.

25 Section 6. This act shall become effective  
26 immediately following its passage and approval by the  
27 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

