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3 By Senator Allen (N & P)  
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9 A BILL  
10 TO BE ENTITLED  
11 AN ACT  
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13 Relating to Tuscaloosa County; to abolish the  
14 position of medical examiner; to establish the office of  
15 coroner; to provide for the appointment of a person to serve  
16 as coroner until the election of the coroner; and to provide  
17 for the election of a coroner; to provide for the duties of  
18 the coroner; and to repeal Act 86-373, 1986 Regular Session  
19 (Acts 1986, p. 555).

20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

21 Section 1. (a) Effective December 31, 2012, the  
22 position of medical examiner is abolished and the office of  
23 the coroner is reestablished in Tuscaloosa County. Initially,  
24 before January 1, 2013, the Governor shall appoint a person to  
25 serve as coroner effective on January 1, 2013, until a coroner  
26 is elected and qualified at the General Election in 2014. An

1 election for the office of coroner shall be held every four  
2 years thereafter as provided by general law.

3 (b) Following the reestablishment of the office of  
4 coroner pursuant to subsection (a), the position of medical  
5 examiner in the county is abolished and all powers and duties  
6 performed by the medical examiner shall be exercised and  
7 performed by the coroner as provided in Chapter 5 of Title 11  
8 of the Code of Alabama 1975.

9 (c) Within 30 days of the effective date of this  
10 act, the county commission by resolution shall establish the  
11 salary for the coroner.

12 Section 2. Act 86-373, 1986 Regular Session (Acts  
13 1986, p. 555), is repealed following the appointment of a  
14 coroner pursuant to Section 1.

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