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9 A BILL
10 TO BE ENTITLED
11 AN ACT
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13 Relating to Jefferson County; to amend Act 2012-196
14 of the 2012 Regular Session (Acts 2012, p. 325), authorizing
15 the designated city officers or employees of cities in the
16 county to issue motor vehicle registrations; to specify that
17 issuance would not be authorized when a vehicle has not been
18 previously registered in this state by or in the name of the
19 current vehicle owner; to provide for a city issuance fee; and
20 to provide for the distribution of the proceeds.

21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

22 Section 1. Sections 1 and 2 of Act 2012-196 of the
23 2012 Regular Session (Acts 2012, p. 325), are amended to read
24 as follows:

25 "Section 1. The Legislature finds that Jefferson
26 County has reduced the number of locations where the citizens
27 of Jefferson County may ~~renew~~ be issued their motor vehicle

1 ~~tags~~ registrations due to the financial difficulties of the
2 county resulting in impediments to the citizens and to the
3 collection of state and local taxes and fees. The Legislature
4 further finds that there is a substantial local need to
5 provide additional and supplemental means for the ~~renewal~~
6 issuance of motor vehicle ~~license plates~~ registrations in
7 Jefferson County in response to a demonstrated local need in
8 the county.

9 "Section 2. (a) In Jefferson County, the mayor of
10 any city in the county may designate a city officer or
11 employee to ~~process the renewal of~~ issue motor vehicle ~~license~~
12 ~~plates for motor vehicles~~ registrations, to include the
13 issuance of license plates. The city official or employee may
14 not issue license plates when a vehicle has not been
15 previously registered in this state by or in the name of the
16 current vehicle owner. The city license plate issuing official
17 may only ~~renew~~ issue motor vehicle ~~license plates for motor~~
18 ~~vehicles~~ registrations for a resident of the city. ~~A resident~~
19 ~~of the city may renew a motor vehicle license plate with the~~
20 ~~city license plate issuing official, and the~~ The city license
21 plate issuing official, or his or her agents or employees,
22 shall collect the ~~license plate renewal~~ registration fees, ad
23 valorem taxes, and issuance fees on the vehicle and remit the
24 fees and taxes less any issuance fee and commissions retained
25 by the city, in the same manner as the county license plate
26 issuing official. The commissions for assessments and
27 collections of taxes on motor vehicles for the General Fund of

1 the state and county shall be calculated at a rate of 1
2 percent for assessments and 1 percent for collections. The
3 city shall be audited by the Examiners of Public Accounts
4 related to the ~~renewal~~ issuance of motor vehicle registrations
5 license plates pursuant to this act. The city shall be
6 responsible for any shortages as determined by the audit. The
7 city license plate issuing official and his or her employees
8 shall be bonded by a bonding company authorized to do business
9 in this state in such sums sufficient to cover the amounts set
10 out in Section 12-13-33, Code of Alabama 1975, for probate
11 judges. The bond shall be conditioned as other official bonds
12 are conditioned and shall be approved by the mayor and the
13 city council of the city.

14 "(b) The city council of a city that issues motor
15 vehicle registrations pursuant to this section may levy an
16 annual additional issuance fee, not to exceed five dollars
17 (\$5), for each motor vehicle plate issued by the city license
18 plate issuing official. The annual additional fee authorized
19 by this section shall become due at the same time the state
20 registration fee becomes due. The annual additional fee shall
21 not be collected more than once per vehicle during a
22 registration year. The local issuance fee collected pursuant
23 to this subsection shall be deposited into the general fund of
24 the city levying the fee and shall be used for the operation
25 of the city license plate issuing official's office."

1 Section 2. The provisions of this act are
2 supplemental and shall not affect any existing law except as
3 needed to implement this act.

4 Section 3. This act shall become effective April 1,
5 2014, following its passage and approval by the Governor, or
6 its otherwise becoming law.