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3 By Representatives Bolton, Mooney, Carns, Easterbrook,
4 Fincher, McCampbell, Travis, Reynolds, Allbright, Baker,
5 Barnes, Bedsole, Blackshear, Boyd, Bracy, Brinyark, Brown,
6 Butler, Chestnut, Clarke, Clouse, Collins, Colvin, Crawford,
7 Daniels, Datcher, Drummond, DuBose, Ellis, England, Ensler,
8 Estes, Faulkner, Fidler, Forte, Garrett, Gidley, Givan,
9 Givens, Gray, Hall, Hammett, Harrison, Hassell, Hendrix, Hill,
10 Holk-Jones, Hollis, Hulsey, Hurst, Ingram, Jackson, Jones,
11 Kiel, Kirkland, Lamb, Lands, Lawrence, Ledbetter, Lee,
12 Lipscomb, Lomax, Lovvorn, Marques, McClammy, Moore (M), Moore
13 (P), Morris, Myrex, Oliver, Paramore, Paschal, Pettus,
14 Pringle, Rafferty, Rehm, Rigsby, Robbins, Robertson, Ross,
15 Sellers, Sells, Shaver, Shaw, Shirey, Simpson, Smith,
16 Sorrells, Stadthagen, Standridge, Starnes, Stringer, Stubbs,
17 Tillman, Treadaway, Underwood, Wadsworth, Warren, Whitt,
18 Whorton, Wilcox, Wood (R), Yarbrough
19 RFD:
20 First Read: 13-Jan-26



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1 Enrolled, An Act,

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3 MOURNING THE DEATH AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF THE HONORABLE
4 SAMUEL ALAN HARPER.

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6 WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow that we note the
7 passing of our former colleague and friend, The Honorable
8 Samuel Alan Harper, of Alabaster, Alabama, on December 18,
9 2025, at the age of 68; and

10 WHEREAS, born and reared in Northport, Alabama, Alan
11 Harper earned his baccalaureate degree from The University
12 of Alabama in 1986; the university honored him as the School
13 of Communications Alumnus of the Year in 2001; among many
14 other accolades and awards, he was selected as Man of the
15 Year by the Aliceville Area Chamber of Commerce in 2009 and
16 Legislator of the Year by the Economic Development
17 Association of Alabama in 2012; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Harper's career evidenced his commitment
19 to public service; during his decade-long career with the
20 Tuscaloosa County Industrial Development Authority, his work
21 was pivotal in bringing numerous companies, more than 4,000
22 jobs, and more than \$500,000,000 in capital investment to
23 the area, including the development and launch of the
24 Tuscaloosa County Mercedes facility; and

25 WHEREAS, Mr. Harper also served as the City Manager
26 of Aliceville and as Retail Development Director for the
27 City of Northport; his public service continued as State
28 Representative to House District 61 from 2006 to 2018;



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29 during his tenure he served on many committees, including
30 Chair of the House Economic Development and Tourism
31 Committee; he also served on several civic organizations,
32 including Rotary International, which recognized him as a
33 Paul Harris Fellow; and

34 WHEREAS, Alan Harper was a highly skilled woodworker
35 and fabulous cook; he was well-known to use the outdoor
36 kitchen he built to cook the crappie that he freshly fished
37 from Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway; he was a devoted husband,
38 father, and "Pop" to his grandchildren; and

39 WHEREAS, Alan Harper was preceded in death by his
40 parents, Faye Ingram Harper and Samuel Henry Harper; he will
41 be remembered by his wife, Jean Harper; sons, Sam (Samantha)
42 and Brant (Karen); grandchildren, Tatum, Maddux, and
43 Brantley; he is also survived by the mother of his sons,
44 Mary Jean Sutton, and a host of nieces, nephews, and
45 friends; and

46 WHEREAS, Alan Harper's legacy was built on a lifetime
47 of compassion, service, and unwavering commitment to others,
48 and his presence will be missed by all those who were
49 fortunate to know him; now therefore,

50 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
51 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of The Honorable
52 Samuel Alan Harper is recorded with deep sadness, and this
53 resolution is in honor of his life and legacy and with
54 heartfelt sympathy to his family, whose grief is shared by
55 many.



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67 Speaker of the House of Representatives
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77 I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
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80 John Treadwell
81 Clerk

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87 Senate

14-Jan-26

Adopted

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