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3 By Representatives Scott, Allen, Baker (A), Baker (L), Ball,
4 Bandy, Barton, Beasley, Beck, Beech, Bentley, Black, Boothe,
5 Boyd, Bridges, Buskey, Canfield, Clouse, Coleman, Collier,
6 Curtis, Davis, DeMarco, Drake, Dukes, England, Faust, Fields,
7 Fincher, Ford, Galliher, Gaston, Gipson, Gordon, Graham,
8 Grantland, Greeson, Grimes, Guin, Hall, Hammett, Hammon,
9 Harper, Hill, Hilliard, Hinshaw, Holmes, Howard, Hubbard,
10 Hurst, Irons, Ison, Jackson, Johnson, Kennedy, Knight, Laird,
11 Letson, Lewis, Lindsey, Love, Martin, Mask, McAdory,
12 McCampbell, McClammy, McClendon, McClurkin, McCutcheon,
13 McDaniel, McLaughlin, McMillan, Millican, Mitchell, Moore (M),
14 Moore (P), Morrow, Newton (C), Newton (D), Oden, Page, Payne,
15 Robinson (J), Robinson (O), Rogers, Salaam, Sanderford,
16 Sherer, Shiver, Spicer, Taylor, Thigpen, Thomas (E), Thomas
17 (J), Todd, Treadaway, Vance, Ward, Warren, White, Williams
18 (J), Williams (P), Wood and Wren
19 RFD: Rules
20 First Read: 28-JAN-10

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8 MOURNING THE DEATH OF MRS. ETHEL MAE JONES BIAS.
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10 WHEREAS, it is with profound sorrow and regret that
11 news is received of the death of a beloved and esteemed
12 Alabamian, Mrs. Ethel Mae Jones Bias, on January 21, 2010, at
13 the age of 92 years; and

14 WHEREAS, born January 10, 1918, in Livingston,
15 Alabama, she was the daughter of Lilart and Sophia Abrams
16 Jones, and her early life was spent in a Christian home, an
17 influence that remained with her until her death; and

18 WHEREAS, after moving to Fairfield, Alabama, in
19 1942, she joined Crumbey Bethel Primitive Baptist Church,
20 where she served in many capacities, including Sanctuary
21 Choir, Missionary Society, Sunday School, and prayer meetings;
22 she also directed the Baptist Training Union and helped with
23 the Little Angels Choir; in addition, she was affiliated with
24 the local, state, and national conventions; and

25 WHEREAS, Mrs. Bias was a dedicated worker at Lloyd
26 Noland Hospital for 30 years, first on the children's ward and
27 later in the nursery, a position she held until her

1 retirement; she was also a leader in community affairs,
2 including membership in the Alabama Silver-Haired Legislature
3 as well as the Fairfield Democratic Women, the Voters' League,
4 the F.D.R. Democratic Club, the Fairfield Civic Leagues, and
5 the Corine Chapter 257 of the Order of the Eastern Star;
6 through the years, she was a conscientious worker in voter
7 registration and in assisting voters who found it difficult to
8 get to the polls; and

9 WHEREAS, she leaves to mourn her death her beloved
10 and loving husband, Leroy Bias, Sr.; three daughters, Mary
11 Elizabeth Robinson, Leona Bias, and Deborah (William)
12 Ginwright; a brother, Clarence Jones; sister-in-law, Rena
13 Bestor; eight grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren; four
14 great-great-grandchildren; and a host of additional caring
15 relatives and friends; and

16 WHEREAS, in addition to her parents, she was
17 preceded in death by a brother, Johnnie Jones; sister,
18 Ernestine Jones Myles; son, Leroy Bias, Jr., and grandson,
19 Christopher Michael Robinson; and

20 WHEREAS, devoted to family, faith, and her
21 fellowman, Mrs. Bias was a valued member of the community
22 whose presence will be greatly missed by those who were
23 privileged to know her during her long and productive life;
24 now therefore,

25 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
26 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the death of Mrs. Ethel Mae
27 Jones Bias is recorded with deep sadness, and this resolution

1 is offered in highest tribute to her life of achievement and
2 service, along with heartfelt sympathy to her grieving family.