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3 By Representative Collier
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8 URGING THE ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO
9 ENFORCE ACT 2009-582.

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11 WHEREAS, enacted by the Legislature and signed into
12 law by the Governor on May 20, 2009, Act 2009-582, now
13 appearing as Article 1, Chapter 20 of Title 22, Code of
14 Alabama 1975, states the following: "Under Alabama law, the
15 consumer has the right to know, upon request to the food
16 service establishment, the country of origin of farm-raised
17 fish or wild fish; and

18 WHEREAS, in order to ensure that food service
19 establishments fulfill their obligation to the consumer, Act
20 2009-582 charges the Alabama Department of Public Health with
21 the duty of ensuring that country or origin information is
22 displayed as required by the act, and the act requires the
23 department, as chief enforcer, to investigate complaints and
24 levy fines for repeat violations; now therefore,

25 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
26 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the Legislature urges the

1 Alabama Department of Public Health to fulfill its obligation
2 to consumers by enforcing Act 2009-582 in its entirety.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we direct a copy of
4 this resolution be forwarded to the State Health Officer so
5 that the Department of Public Health is informed of our
6 expectations regarding this critical issue.