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3       By Senator Keahey  
4       RFD:  
5       First Read: 01-MAR-11

8 COMMENDING CUMBERLAND SCHOOL OF LAW ON THE SUCCESS  
9 OF ITS TEAMS AS REGIONAL WINNERS OF THE NATIONAL TRIAL  
10 COMPETITION.  
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12 WHEREAS, we note with great pride the success of the  
13 Cumberland School of Law teams as regional winners in the  
14 prestigious National Trial Competition in February 2011; and

15 WHEREAS, the National Trial Competition is sponsored  
16 annually by the Texas Young Lawyers Association and the  
17 American College of Trial Lawyers; the Cumberland Trial  
18 Advocacy Board hosted Region 6 of the competition at the  
19 Jefferson County Civil Courthouse, with 26 teams competing  
20 from 13 law schools in Alabama, Florida, and Mississippi; and

21 WHEREAS, Cumberland teams placed first and second,  
22 both winning the right to compete in the National Championship  
23 Round in Houston, Texas, on April 6, 2011; and

24 WHEREAS, the winning Cumberland team was composed of  
25 Ross Massey, of Birmingham; Carrie Hodge, of Wetumpka; and  
26 Samantha Nicolle, of New Market; and

1               WHEREAS, also undefeated and finishing second was  
2     the Cumberland team of Alyson Hood, of Chattanooga, Tennessee;  
3     Todd Buchanan of Englewood, Colorado; and SeTara Foster, of  
4     Birmingham; and

5               WHEREAS, the teams were coached by Jim Roberts,  
6     1994, and Sara Williams, 2006; and

7               WHEREAS, the success of the Cumberland trial teams  
8     is the source of justifiable pride to the students, the  
9     faculty, and the entire State of Alabama; now therefore,

10              BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
11     HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we heartily congratulate the  
12     Trial Teams from Cumberland School of Law on winning the  
13     Regional Championship of the American Trial Competition and,  
14     by copy of this resolution, we extend our warm best wishes for  
15     continued excellence in the study and practice of law.