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3 By Representatives Galliher and Hill
4 RFD: Rules
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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 CREATING THE JOINT INTERIM LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON
4 OPEN MEETINGS LEGISLATION.

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6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
7 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the Joint Interim Legislative
8 Committee on Open Meetings Legislation is created. The
9 committee shall be composed of three members of each house, to
10 be appointed by the presiding officer of each house. The
11 membership of the committee shall be inclusive and reflect the
12 racial, gender, geographic, urban and rural, and economic
13 diversity of the state. The committee at its discretion may
14 invite interested members of the public or affected industry
15 and institutions to participate in drafting language for this
16 purpose. The committee shall report to the Legislature by the
17 2nd legislative day of the 2012 regular session the extent to
18 which the committee has complied with the diversity provisions
19 provided for in this resolution. The chair and vice chair of
20 the committee shall be elected at the first meeting by the
21 members of the committee, which shall be held not later than
22 10 days after the effective date of this resolution. The
23 committee shall meet no more than four times following the
24 initial meeting of the committee. The committee shall study
25 all facets of Alabama's Open Meetings Law, to include the

1 drafting of a new or revised Act that will allow for meetings
2 of public boards and agencies by teleconference.

3 Upon the request of the chair, the Secretary of the
4 Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall
5 provide necessary clerical assistance for the work of the
6 committee. The committee shall report its findings,
7 conclusions, and recommendations, including delivery of the
8 new proposed legislation, as agreed upon and authored by the
9 committee, to the Legislature not later than the 5th
10 legislative day of the 2012 Regular Session, whereupon the
11 committee shall stand dissolved and discharged of any further
12 duties and liabilities. Each member of the committee shall be
13 entitled to his or her regular legislative compensation, his
14 or her per diem, and travel expenses for each day he or she
15 attends a meeting of the committee. Upon requisitions signed
16 by the chair of the committee, these payments shall be paid
17 out of any funds appropriated to the use of the Legislature by
18 means of warrants drawn on the State Treasury. Notwithstanding
19 the foregoing, no member shall receive additional legislative
20 compensation or per diem when the Legislature is in session or
21 if a member is being paid any other payments on the same dates
22 for attendance on other state business. The total expenditures
23 of the committee shall not exceed \$1,000.

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4 Speaker of the House of Representatives

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6 President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

7 House of Representatives

8 I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
9 and was adopted by the House 24-MAR-11.

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Greg Pappas
Clerk

Senate

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