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8 RESOLVING TO WORK WITH THE GOVERNOR AND THE STATE
9 SUPERINTENDENT TO APPROVE FUNDING FOR TORNADO DAMAGED SCHOOLS.
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11 WHEREAS, the storms that ravaged our state on
12 Wednesday, April 27, 2011, caused unprecedented levels of
13 destruction to property as well as the loss of the lives of
14 more than 250 Alabamians; and

15 WHEREAS, among the damaged and destroyed pieces of
16 property are numerous school buildings owned by local boards
17 of education; and while rebuilding these damaged properties
18 will be funded in part by insurance proceeds and possible
19 other sources of funds, such as government-provided
20 reimbursements, additional state funds will likely be needed
21 to fully finance the repair and rebuilding of these damaged
22 school properties; and

23 WHEREAS, the State of Alabama recognizes the
24 importance of providing an environment in which our children
25 can receive a first class education; and

26 WHEREAS, the state will always be ready and willing
27 to assist local boards of education in their rebuilding

1 efforts to make whole the school properties that were damaged,
2 yet it is impossible to currently ascertain what amount of
3 state funding will be needed to provide for school districts
4 suffering from storm damage; now therefore,

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
6 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the Legislature commits to
7 working with Governor Bentley and State Superintendent of
8 Education Morton to determine what funding resources are
9 needed and how best to provide them to ensure that those
10 school properties affected by the tornado outbreak of
11 Wednesday, April 27, 2011, may be rebuilt and made whole in a
12 timely manner.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Legislature expects
14 insurance reimbursements, FEMA, and other sources to cover the
15 bulk of the replacement value costs to make the affected
16 systems whole, and the difference, if any, will be addressed
17 by the Legislature.