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8 URGING THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE TO USE A NOTICE PROCESS  
9 TO REDUCE TRAVEL EXPENSES.  
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11 WHEREAS, various boards and commissions are created  
12 by the Legislature; and

13 WHEREAS, each board and commission has specific  
14 duties and obligations, which, at times, require out-of-state  
15 travel that must be approved by the Governor; and

16 WHEREAS, some boards and commissions collect dues  
17 and fees for the purpose of carrying out duties, including  
18 out-of-state travel; and

19 WHEREAS, no General Fund monies are used for travel  
20 by boards and commissions having their own funds for  
21 out-of-state travel and the approval process places  
22 restrictions and increased costs on all parties; and

23 WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Legislature that  
24 boards and commissions using in-house funds for travel should  
25 make their own travel arrangements and provide notice to the  
26 Governor's Office; and

1               WHEREAS, the Governor's Office shall maintain  
2 records for travel notices for at least six months; and

3               WHEREAS, the reduction in paperwork by using travel  
4 notices will reduce costs for all parties involved and permits  
5 the Governor's Office to fulfill requirements regarding travel  
6 approval; now therefore,

7               BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
8 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we urge the Governor's Office  
9 to use a notice process for travel involving boards and  
10 commission utilizing their own funds rather than a costly  
11 pre-approval process.