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8 CREATING THE AUBURN AQUARIUM AND ZOO FEASIBILITY
9 STUDY COMMITTEE.

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11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
12 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the Auburn Aquarium and Zoo
13 Feasibility Study Committee is created.

14 (a) The committee shall be composed of the
15 following:

16 (1) All of the members of the Lee County legislative
17 delegation.

18 (2) The mayor of Auburn, or his or her designee.

19 (3) The mayor of Opelika, or his or her designee.

20 (4) A member appointed by the Auburn Chamber of
21 Commerce.

22 (5) A member of the Lee County Commission appointed
23 by the Lee County legislative delegation.

24 (6) A member with experience in the administration
25 of a zoo, aquarium, or wildlife sanctuary, appointed by the
26 Lee County legislative delegation.

(b) The appointing authorities shall coordinate their appointments to assure the committee membership is inclusive and reflects the racial, gender, geographic, urban, rural, and economic diversity of the state.

(c) The chair and vice chair of the committee shall be elected at the first meeting by the members of the committee.

(d) The committee shall study all facets of establishing an aquarium and a zoo in the City of Auburn, including, but not limited to, the interest of the community, the economic impact, the location, the construction cost and ownership, and any other issues or challenges that relate to establishing an aquarium and a zoo in the City of Auburn.

(e) Upon the request of the chair, the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall provide necessary clerical assistance for the work of the committee.

(f) The committee shall report its findings, conclusions, and recommendations to the Legislature not later than the fifteenth legislative day of the 2018 Regular Session, whereupon the committee shall stand dissolved and discharged of any further duties and liabilities.

(g) (1) Non-legislative members of the committee shall serve without compensation but may be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred for attending a meeting of the committee in accordance with the policies and procedures of their respective appointing authorities.

