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3 By Representative Oliver  
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TO RECREATE THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON STATEWIDE TRAUMA  
SYSTEM FUNDING.

WHEREAS, ACT 2019-255 created the Statewide Trauma  
System Funding Committee to investigate the revenue measures  
needed to support the continuance and expansion of the Alabama  
Statewide Trauma System, and to make recommendations to the  
Legislature to address this important issue; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has unequivocally  
impeded efforts to accomplish the goals of the task force,  
thus necessitating a recreation of the task force; now  
therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the Statewide Trauma System  
Funding Committee, created in Act 2019-255, is recreated to  
continue its investigation of revenue measures needed to  
support the continuance and expansion of the Alabama Statewide  
Trauma System and to make recommendations to the Legislature  
to address this important issue.

1                   (a) The committee shall be composed of the following  
2 members:

3                   (1) The Chair of the House Ways and Means General  
4 Fund Committee, or his or her designee.

5                   (2) The Chair of the Senate Finance and Taxation  
6 General Fund Committee, or his or her designee.

7                   (3) One representative of the Office of the  
8 Governor, appointed by the Governor.

9                   (4) Two representatives of the Alabama Office of  
10 Emergency Medical Services, appointed by the State Health  
11 Officer.

12                   (5) One representative of the Alabama Department of  
13 Economic and Community Affairs, appointed by the director of  
14 the department.

15                   (6) Two representatives of designated trauma  
16 hospitals, appointed by the Alabama Hospital Association.

17                   (7) Two trauma surgeons and one emergency physician,  
18 appointed by the Medical Association of the State of Alabama.

19                   (8) One representative of the private Emergency  
20 Medical Services (EMS) transport providers and one  
21 representative of the public EMS transport providers, both  
22 appointed by the Alabama Association of Ambulance Services.

23                   (b) All appointing authorities shall coordinate  
24 their appointments to assure membership reflects the racial,  
25 gender, geographic, urban, rural, and economic diversity of  
26 the state.

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

4                   (d) The committee shall study all facets of revenue  
5 measures to support the continuance and expansion of the  
6 Alabama Statewide Trauma System.

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

11                  (f) Each legislative member of the committee shall  
12 be entitled to his or her regular legislative compensation,  
13 per diem, and travel expenses for each day he or she attends a  
14 meeting of the committee in accordance with Amendment 871 of  
15 the Constitution of Alabama 1901.

16                  (g) The committee shall present a report of its  
17 findings, conclusions, and recommendations to the Legislature  
18 no later than the final legislative day of the 2023 Regular  
19 Session, whereupon the committee shall stand dissolved and  
20 discharged of any further duties and liabilities.