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8 TO RECREATE THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON STATEWIDE TRAUMA
9 SYSTEM FUNDING.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(b) All appointing authorities shall coordinate their appointments to assure membership 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 by the members of the committee at the first meeting.

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

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

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