

HOUSE FIRST READINGS

2026 REGULAR SESSION

TWENTY- FIFTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

March 31, 2026

By Representatives Jones, Bracy, Clarke, Drummond and Pringle (With Notice and Proof):

HB646 Relating to Mobile County; to alter, rearrange, and extend the boundary lines and corporate limits of the City of Semmes in Mobile County.

Committee on Mobile County Legislation

By Representatives Shaw, DuBose, Rehm, Rigsby, Lomax, Hulsey, Moore (P), Simpson, Robertson, Holk-Jones, Carns, Brown, Pettus, Marques and Clouse:

HB647 Relating to sales and use taxes; to amend Sections 40-23-2, 40-23-40, and 40-23-61, as last amended by Act 2025-305, 2025 Regular Session, Code of Alabama 1975, to decrease the state sales and use tax rate on food by one-half percent each year, and to allow counties and municipalities to adopt local exemptions of food from sales and use tax; and to add Section 40-23-4.11 to the Code of Alabama 1975, to exempt food from state sales and use tax beginning on September 1, 2029.

Committee on Ways and Means Education

By Representative Clarke:

HB648 Relating to the Alabama Tourism Department; to establish the Tourism Revenue Recovery and Global Promotion Act; to create a grant program for certain eligible tourism businesses; to create international marketing campaigns; to create a competitive grant program to fund tourism-related infrastructure; to coordinate a domestic advertising effort; and to create the Tourism Sector Economic Monitoring Council.

Committee on Ways and Means General Fund

By Representative Datcher (With Notice and Proof):

HB649 Relating to Class 1 municipalities; to authorize a Class 1 municipality to create a housing trust fund; to promote the development of affordable housing; to specify how the housing trust may be funded; to establish an advisory board for the housing trust; and to authorize allowable uses for the housing trust funds.

Committee on Jefferson County Legislation

By Representative Paschal:

HB650 Relating to the Legislature; to create the Permanent Joint Legislative Advisory Commission on Alabama Boys and Men; to provide for the membership and duties of the commission; and to provide a sunset date for the commission.

Committee on Children and Senior Advocacy

By Representatives Yarbrough and Oliver:

HB651 Relating to distinctive license plates; to amend Section 32-6-64, Code of Alabama 1975, to exempt individuals who qualify for military, veteran, or gold star family distinctive license plates from recertification in certain circumstances.

Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs

By Representative Barnes:

HB652 Relating to crimes; to amend Section 13A-6-3, Code of Alabama 1975, as last amended by Act 2026-64, 2026 Regular Session, to provide that the crime of manslaughter is committed if a person furnishes any controlled substance that is the proximate cause of death of the recipient; and to increase the penalty associated with the violation.

Committee on Judiciary

By Representative Barnes:

HB653 Relating to human trafficking; to amend Section 13A-6-152, Code of Alabama 1975, to establish a minimum sentence for the crime of human trafficking in the first degree when the victim is subjected to sexual servitude.

Committee on Judiciary

By Representative Hammett:

HB654 Relating to the Alabama Administrative Procedure Act; to amend Section 41-22-3, Code of Alabama 1975, to remove the exemption of hunting and fishing seasons and bag and creel limits adopted by the Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources from the definition of "rule" for purposes of the Alabama Administrative Procedure Act and the procedural process for adopting and amending rules established therein; and to make nonsubstantive, technical revisions to update the existing code language to current style.

Committee on State Government

By Representatives Lawrence, Datcher, Clarke, Forte, Ensler, Lands, McClammy, Gray, Hollis, England, Rafferty, McCampbell and Sellers:

HB655 Relating to gasoline and motor fuels taxes; to suspend the state excise taxes on gasoline and motor fuels from April 15, 2026 to June 15, 2026.

Committee on Ways and Means General Fund

By Representative Pringle:

HB656 Relating to boards of water and sewer commissioners; to amend Section 11-50-343, Code of Alabama 1975; to require that before boards located in counties with a Class 2 municipality may sell or develop real property owned by the board, local governments with

jurisdiction over the real property must approve; and to make nonsubstantive, technical revisions to update the existing code language to current style.

Committee on Transportation, Utilities and Infrastructure

By Representatives Datcher and Lawrence:

HB657 Relating to income taxes; to add Section 40-18-513 to the Code of Alabama 1975, to provide a one-time tax credit to certain individual income taxpayers for the 2025 tax year.

Committee on Ways and Means Education

By Representative Warren (With Notice and Proof):

HB658 Relating to Macon County; to levy a local privilege tax on the net gambling revenues collected from pari-mutuel wagering activities.

Committee on Local Legislation

By Representatives Chestnut, Daniels and Lawrence:

HB659 Relating to public K-12 education; to establish the Bill of Rights in the Classroom Act; to require the State Department of Education to publish a standardized version of the Bill of Rights for use by local boards of education; to require display of the Bill of Rights in public school classrooms and on the websites of local boards of education; to provide a process for the reporting of noncompliant schools; to provide a remedy for continued noncompliance; and to permit courts to award reasonable attorney fees and costs.

Committee on Education Policy

By Representatives Gray, Forte, Lands, Warren, Chestnut and Jackson:

HB660 Relating to commerce; to establish the Beginning Farmer and Succession Continuity Act;

to provide definitions; to establish a refundable income tax credit to an owner for the sale or long-term lease of agricultural land to a qualified beginning farmer; to require the Department of Agriculture and Industries to guarantee loans for beginning farmers; to establish the Beginning Farmer Assistance Fund in the State Treasury; to create an online registry for the transfer of agricultural land; to allow program participants to be audited; and to establish penalties for noncompliance with program requirements.

Committee on Ways and Means General Fund

By Representatives Garrett, Moore (M), Tillman, Datcher, Givan, Collins, Baker, Holk-Jones, Kiel, Givens, Drummond, Warren, Shaw, Shaver, Nelson, DuBose, Crow, Sellers, Wilcox, England, Rafferty and McCampbell:

HB661 Relating to state symbols; to amend Section 1-2-16, Code of Alabama 1975; to designate "Stars Fell on Alabama" as the official state song.

Committee on State Government

By Representative Whorton (With Notice and Proof):

HB662 Relating to Madison County, to alter, rearrange, and extend the boundary lines and corporate limits of the City of Owens Cross Roads in Madison County.

Committee on Madison County Legislation

By Representative Faulkner:

HB663 Relating to consumable vapor products; to amend Section 40-25-81, Code of Alabama 1975, as added by Act 2025-377, 2025 Regular Session, to further provide for the excise tax on consumable vapor products based on quantity of nicotine; to provide product labeling requirements for consumable vapor products; to require the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board to assess fines against e-liquid manufacturers for labeling violations; and to require the board to assess fines for retail violations concerning improperly labeled consumable vapor products.

Committee on Ways and Means General Fund

