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3 By Senator Mitchell
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4 ENROLLED, SJR38,

5 REQUESTING THE ADOPTION OF RESIDENTIAL AND

6 COMMERCIAL ENERGY CODES WHEN A STATEWIDE BUILDING CODE IS

7 ADOPTED.

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9 WHEREAS, conservation of energy reduces our

10 dependence on, and the impact of, the consumption of

11 nonrenewable, foreign energy sources; and

12 WHEREAS, recognizing that a building's initial

13 construction costs represent less than half of the building's

14 entire costs over its 30 to 40 year life, emphasis should be

15 placed on the "life cycle costs" of a building in addition to

16 its initial capital costs; and

17 WHEREAS, energy efficiency and conservation can help

18 reduce Alabama's water and air pollution; and

19 WHEREAS, energy efficiency and conservation can help

20 meet the growing demand for electricity in Alabama; and

21 WHEREAS, Alabama has the highest rate of residential

22 per capita electricity usage in the United States; and

23 WHEREAS, building an energy efficient home can save

24 the homeowner money on energy costs and make the home more

25 comfortable; now therefore,

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
2 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we hereby request that when
3 Alabama adopts codes for commercial and residential structures
4 as named by proposed legislation for a statewide building
5 code, that an energy code based on the 2006 International
6 Energy Conservation Code (IECC) for residential buildings and
7 the ANSI/ASHRAE/IESNA Standard 90.1-2007 for commercial
8 buildings, or subsequent editions, changes, or recom compilations
9 thereof, be included as a component of the building code or
10 codes that Alabama adopts, and that future consideration be
11 given to create an internal statewide process to amend the
12 code and increase the stringency, triennially, as new editions
13 of the IECC are published.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this
15 resolution be transmitted to each member of the Alabama
16 Building Commission.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution
originated in and was adopted by the Senate.

McDowell Lee
Secretary

House of Representatives
Adopted: 13-APR-10

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