

1 HB332  
2 127747-2  
3 By Representatives Ison, Gaston, Barton, Buskey, Kennedy,  
4 Bracy, Fincher and Davis  
5 RFD: Education Policy  
6 First Read: 24-MAR-11

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4 A BILL  
5 TO BE ENTITLED  
6 AN ACT  
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8 Relating to the University of South Alabama Board of  
9 Trustees; to allow the board of trustees to participate in  
10 meetings by telephone conference or video conference if notice  
11 of the meetings is given pursuant to the Open Meetings Act and  
12 the members of the public are given the opportunity to  
13 simultaneously listen to or observe such meetings.

14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

15 Section 1. Members of the Board of Trustees of the  
16 University of South Alabama (USA) may participate in a meeting  
17 of the board or committee by means of telephone conference,  
18 video conference, or similar communications equipment by means  
19 of which all persons participating in the meeting may hear  
20 each other at the same time. Participation by such means shall  
21 constitute presence in person at a meeting for all purposes,  
22 including the establishment of a quorum. However, a majority  
23 of a quorum of the members of the board of trustees, or, in  
24 the event of a meeting of only the executive committee, a  
25 majority of a quorum of the executive committee of the board  
26 of trustees must be physically present at the location noticed  
27 and called for the meeting in order to conduct any business or

1 deliberation. Members of the board of trustees and any  
2 committees of the board of trustees may not utilize electronic  
3 communications except as in compliance with the Alabama Open  
4 Meetings Act. Notice of USA board meetings shall be provided  
5 in accordance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act and telephone  
6 or video conference or similar communications equipment shall  
7 also allow members of the public the opportunity to  
8 simultaneously listen to or observe such meetings.

9           Section 2. This act shall become effective  
10 immediately following its passage and approval by the  
11 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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House of Representatives

Read for the first time and re-  
ferred to the House of Representa-  
tives committee on Education Policy  
..... . . . . 24-MAR-11

Read for the second time and placed  
on the calendar 1 amendment ..... . . . . 31-MAR-11

Read for the third time and passed  
as amended..... . . . . 26-APR-11

Yeas 80, Nays 2, Abstains 2

Greg Pappas  
Clerk