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3 By Representative Millican  
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9 A BILL  
10 TO BE ENTITLED  
11 AN ACT  
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13 To repeal Act 720 of the 1978 Regular Session (Acts  
14 1978, p. 1035), entitled, "An act relating to the 25th  
15 Judicial Circuit; creating the office of public defender and  
16 providing for the manner of appointment, the operation and  
17 financing of such office; providing such office for the  
18 representation and defense of persons accused of crime whom  
19 the courts declare indigent; establishing the Public Defender  
20 Commission; defining the authority, powers, duties, and  
21 limitations of the commission and defender; providing for the  
22 vacancy of the office of defender; authorizing the taxing and  
23 collecting of certain additional court costs in certain courts  
24 within the counties for financing the operation of the office  
25 of public defender and representation of indigents, such  
26 revenues to be designated for the Public Defender's Fund;  
27 continuing the opportunity for lawyers to be appointed to

1 represent such indigents; requiring that any excess money in  
2 the Public Defender's Fund be returned on a pro rata basis to  
3 the counties and municipalities which funded the office and  
4 its operation; and providing for the retroactive effect of  
5 certain provisions of this act."

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

7 Section 1. Act 720 of the 1978 Regular Session (Acts  
8 1978, p. 1035), is repealed.

9 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the  
10 first day of the third month following its passage and  
11 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.