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9 A BILL  
10 TO BE ENTITLED  
11 AN ACT  
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13 Relating to Morgan County; to provide for the  
14 allocation and expenditure of money received from the  
15 Tennessee Valley Authority distributed to Morgan County  
16 pursuant to Act 2010-135, 2010 Regular Session, to the  
17 Hartselle, Decatur, and Morgan County Boards of Education for  
18 fiscal years 2012 and 2013.

19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

20 Section 1. The Legislature hereby finds, determines,  
21 and declares all of the following:

22 (1) The current economic climate in the United  
23 States and in Alabama in particular has created an environment  
24 of hardship in the public and private sectors.

25 (2) The comprehensive effect of economic hardship on  
26 the education system is a detriment to the interests of

1 students, as a result of the potential for proration of  
2 education funds and cuts in education services.

3 (3) It is in the best interest of Morgan County  
4 schools that the Morgan County Legislative Delegation cause to  
5 be delivered temporary additional funds to the school systems  
6 for the purpose of alleviating budget stresses that otherwise  
7 may result in a deterioration in the quality of education for  
8 the youth of Morgan County.

9 Section 2. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law,  
10 the proceeds allocated to Morgan County pursuant to Act  
11 2010-135, 2010 Regular Session, from the in-lieu-of-taxes  
12 payments made by the Tennessee Valley Authority for fiscal  
13 years 2012 and 2013 shall be distributed as follows:

14 (1) The first \$125,000 shall be distributed among  
15 the school systems in Hartselle, Decatur and Morgan County to  
16 be used expressly for the support and benefit of each system's  
17 robotics programs as follows:

18 a. Decatur -- \$55,000

19 b. Morgan County -- \$50,000

20 c. Hartselle -- \$20,000

21 (2) Fifty percent of the remaining proceeds to be  
22 divided among the school systems in Hartselle, Decatur, and  
23 Morgan County for teachers and personnel expenses except that  
24 the proceeds shall not be expended for administrative  
25 purposes.

26 (3) Thirty percent of the remaining proceeds to be  
27 divided among the school systems in Hartselle, Decatur, and

1 Morgan County for technological purposes in the schools in  
2 each system, the amounts of which shall be determined by each  
3 school system except that the proceeds shall not be expended  
4 for administrative purposes.

5 (4) Twenty percent of the remaining proceeds to be  
6 divided among teachers, librarians, and educational personnel  
7 in the school systems in Hartselle, Decatur, and Morgan  
8 County. Such amounts shall be used exclusively for  
9 instructional and teaching materials and supplies, as  
10 determined by each school. Any excess funds shall be divided  
11 among each school in the respective school systems.

12 (b) The proceeds from the payments distributed for  
13 each fiscal year pursuant to subdivisions 2 (a) (2), (3) and  
14 (4) shall be based on the previous year's average daily  
15 student enrollment in the respective school systems.

16 (c) Any school system that does not have at least  
17 one month's expenditures in reserve shall receive and expend  
18 the proceeds without regard to the provisions of subdivisions  
19 2 (a) (2), (3) and (4). When such school system has at least  
20 one month's expenditures in reserve, the provisions of  
21 subdivisions 2 (a) (2), (3) and (4) shall be applicable.

22 Section 3. This act shall become effective  
23 immediately following its passage and approval by the  
24 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.