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- 2 126211-4
- 3 By Senators Scofield, Glover, McGill, Dial and Orr
- 4 RFD: Finance and Taxation General Fund
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4 <u>ENROLLED</u>, An Act,

To make an appropriation of \$42,112,181 from the Children First Trust Fund for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, to the entities and for the purposes designated in Section 41-15B-2.2, Code of Alabama 1975; to provide for the deposit of tobacco settlement revenues into the Children First Trust Fund; to require written notification of anticipated agency allocations by the State Director of Finance; to require quarterly allocations; to condition allocations on receipt of tobacco revenues; to make an appropriation of \$45,966,572 from other tobacco settlement funds for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012; and to make a conditional appropriation and allocation of additional tobacco revenues upon the recommendation of the Director of Finance, the Chairman of the House Ways and Means General Fund Committee and the Chairman of the Senate Finance and Taxation-General Fund Committee, and the approval of the Governor.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. (a) There is hereby appropriated from the Children First Trust Fund the sum of \$42,112,181 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, to the entities and for the purposes designated in Section 41-15B-2.2, Code of Alabama

1975 as follows, per the approved plan of investment for each

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agency:

611,353 3 Alcoholic Beverage Control Board 2,436,340 Children's Trust Fund 4 487,269 5 Department of Forensic Sciences 9,745,362 6 Alabama Department of Human Resources 7 Of the above appropriation to the Department of 8 Human Resources, \$765,500 shall be allocated to 9 the Alabama Network of Children's Advocacy Centers. The funds allocated may be used for opera-10 11 tions and maintenance. Juvenile Probation Services Fund 5,742,298 12 1,705,438 13 Alabama Medicaid Agency 14 Alabama Department of Mental Health 2,770,740 4,076,550 15 State Multiple Needs Children's Fund Department of Public Health 4,872,681 16 243,634 17 Department of Rehabilitation Services Department of Youth Services 9,420,516 18 19 (b) (1) All tobacco revenues from the tobacco 20 settlement received by the state previously designated for the

Children First Trust Fund shall be deposited to the Children First Trust Fund within 30 calendar days of receipt of those tobacco revenues.

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- (2) The Director of Finance shall notify each agency and the Department of Children's Affairs in writing prior to September 1, 2011, of the dollar amount of the allocation expected to be received by the agency from the Children First Trust Fund in the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012.
- (3) At the beginning of each quarter of the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, the respective agency shall be allocated at least one-fourth of the total amount appropriated and allocated to the agency for that fiscal year when tobacco revenues are available for the respective agency. In the event tobacco revenues are not available for the respective agency until later in the fiscal year then the respective agency shall be allocated an equal quarterly allotment for the quarters that funds are available at the beginning of those quarters. Such allocation shall be made and be available for expenditure by the agency within five working days of the commencement of the quarter. If additional sums are appropriated or allocated, or both, during the fiscal year, these sums shall be equally allocated to the respective agency among the remaining quarters of the fiscal year or may be allocated to the respective agency in one sum if revenues are available. The Department of Children's Affairs shall be

- notified in writing of all appropriations and allocations from the Children First Trust Fund by the Director of Finance.
- 3 (4) Allocations from the Children First Trust Fund
 4 are conditioned upon the receipt of tobacco revenues.

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- (c) Allocations received pursuant to Section 1 shall be expended in accordance with Section 41-15B-2.2, Code of Alabama 1975.
- (d) At the conclusion of the fiscal year, any remaining sums in the Children First Trust Fund shall remain in the fund and shall not revert to the General Fund or to any other fund, except as provided by HB____ or SB 133 of the 2011 Regular Session, if enacted into law.

Section 2. In addition to the appropriation herein above made, there is hereby appropriated from additional to-bacco settlement funds the sum of \$45,966,572 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012 to the following entities:

17	Department of Children's Affairs	250,000
18	21st Century Debt Service	13,000,000
19	Senior Services Trust Fund	1,392,195
20	Alabama Medicaid Agency	29,236,085
21	Department of Senior Services - Medicaid Waiver	2,088,292

Section 3. Any additional tobacco revenues available for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, shall be conditionally appropriated, conditioned upon the recommendation of the Director of Finance, the Chairman of the House Ways and Means General Fund Committee and the Chairman of the Senate Finance and Taxation-General Fund Committee, and approval of the Governor.

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Section 4. The Executive Budget Office and the Director of Finance shall allot funds appropriated from the Children First Trust Fund only following the certification by the Commissioner of the Department of Children's Affairs that a plan of investment has been approved for each agency. The Commissioner of the Department of Children's Affairs shall prescribe the form and format on which each agency receiving appropriated funds herein shall submit a plan of investment of said appropriated funds. The plan of investment shall include, but not be limited to, a minimum of four (4) quality assurance items on which a periodic report, as required by the approved plan of investment, is made and as audited by the Examiners of Public Accounts. Quality assurance items shall include the number of children receiving service, an identifiable measure of success of services provided and a prioritized standard of successful measures for future plans of investment. It is the intent of the Legislature that the Commissioner of the

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Department of Children's Affairs shall be responsible for providing a standard of measurement by which a clear determination can be made through operational reporting and audit reporting of a measurable success of funds appropriated and invested from the Children First Trust Fund; insure funds appropriated herein are invested in viable programs; insure and promote the leverage of appropriated funds herein in every possible manner and coordinated in all possible ways the investment of funds by each service provider to insure that no unproductive expenditures or duplication occurs. The Commissioner of the Department of Children's Affairs shall notify legislators representing the area where a grant from the Children First Trust Fund is designated. The notification shall occur ten days before the funds reach the recipient agency.

Section 5. The Commissioner of the Department of Children's Affairs shall report each approved plan of investment to the Joint Interim Legislative Oversight Committee and the Alabama Children's Policy Council. The Commissioner, upon the request of the service agency, may approve an adjusted plan of investment. It is the intent of the Legislature that funds appropriated from the Children First Trust Fund be directed to meet the most immediate needs of children as changing conditions may develop.

1	Section 6. Should any provision of this act be held
2	invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect the remaining
3	provisions of the act.
4	Section 7. This act shall become effective
5	immediately upon its passage and approval by the Governor, or
6	upon its otherwise becoming a law.

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16 17 18		Representatives and passed 01-JUN-11	
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