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9 A BILL
10 TO BE ENTITLED
11 AN ACT
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13 Relating to Jefferson County; to authorize cities in
14 the county to designate a city license issuing official to
15 process the renewal of motor vehicle license plates in the
16 city; to provide for legislative findings; and to provide for
17 bonding and audits.

18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

19 Section 1. The Legislature finds that Jefferson
20 County has reduced the number of locations where the citizens
21 of Jefferson County may renew their motor vehicle tags due to
22 the financial difficulties of the county resulting in
23 impediments to the citizens and to the collection of state and
24 local taxes and fees. The Legislature further finds that there
25 is a substantial local need to provide additional and
26 supplemental means for the renewal of motor vehicle license

1 plates in Jefferson County in response to a demonstrated local
2 need in the county.

3 Section 2. In Jefferson County, the mayor of any
4 city in the county may designate a city officer or employee to
5 process the renewal of motor vehicle license plates for motor
6 vehicles. The city license plate issuing official may only
7 renew motor vehicle license plates for motor vehicles for a
8 resident of the city. A resident of the city may renew a motor
9 vehicle license plate with the city license plate issuing
10 official, and the city license plate issuing official, or his
11 or her agents or employees, shall collect the license plate
12 renewal fees, ad valorem taxes, and issuance fees on the
13 vehicle and remit the fees and taxes less any issuance fee and
14 commissions retained by the city, in the same manner as the
15 county license plate issuing official. The commissions for
16 assessments and collections of taxes on motor vehicles for the
17 General Fund of the state and county shall be calculated at a
18 rate of 1 percent for assessments and 1 percent for
19 collections. The city shall be audited by the Examiners of
20 Public Accounts related to the renewal of motor vehicle
21 license plates pursuant to this act. The city shall be
22 responsible for any shortages as determined by the audit. The
23 city license plate issuing official and his or her employees
24 shall be bonded by a bonding company authorized to do business
25 in this state in such sums sufficient to cover the amounts set
26 out in Section 12-13-33, Code of Alabama 1975, for probate
27 judges. The bond shall be conditioned as other official bonds

1 are conditioned and shall be approved by the mayor and the
2 city council of the city.

3 Section 3. The provisions of this act are
4 supplemental and shall not affect any existing law except as
5 needed to implement this act.

6 Section 4. This act shall become effective January
7 1, 2013, following its passage and approval by the Governor,
8 or its otherwise becoming law.