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3 By Representative Williams (J)
4 RFD: Rules
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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,
3 ESTABLISHING THE ALABAMA HUMAN TRAFFICKING TASK
4 FORCE.

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6 WHEREAS, human trafficking is the second largest
7 criminal activity in the world, exceeded only by drug
8 trafficking; and

9 WHEREAS, human trafficking enslaves hundreds of
10 thousands of victims each year; and

11 WHEREAS, human trafficking involves the use of
12 force, fraud, or coercion by traffickers to recruit or capture
13 and also control their victims; now therefore,

14 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
15 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the Alabama Human Trafficking
16 Task Force is hereby established.

17 The purpose and agenda of the Task Force shall
18 include all of the following:

19 (1) To combat all aspects of human trafficking,
20 including sex trafficking and labor trafficking.

21 (2) To pursue a comprehensive response to crimes of
22 human trafficking.

23 (3) To coordinate strategies to provide necessary
24 services for victims of human trafficking.

1 (4) To focus prevention efforts to end the demand
2 for human trafficking and create awareness through education
3 and community initiatives.

4 (5) To develop legislation to prevent, intervene,
5 and treat human trafficking.

6 The Alabama Human Trafficking Task Force shall be
7 comprised of the following members:

8 (1) One member of the House of Representatives
9 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

10 (2) One member of the Senate appointed by the Senate
11 President Pro Tempore.

12 (3) One member of the Legal, Legislative, or Policy
13 Office of the Alabama Governor appointed by the Governor.

14 (4) One member of the Office of Victim Assistance of
15 the Alabama Attorney General appointed by the Attorney
16 General.

17 (5) The Chair of the Huntsville/Madison County Human
18 Trafficking Task Force, or his or her designee.

19 (6) The Chair of the Central Alabama Human
20 Trafficking Task Force, or his or her designee.

21 (7) The Commissioner of the Alabama Department of
22 Human Resources, or his or her designee.

23 (8) The Commissioner of the Alabama Department of
24 Agriculture and Industries, or his or her designee.

1 (9) The Commissioner of the Alabama Department of
2 Labor, or his or her designee.

3 (10) The Chief of the Alabama Bureau of
4 Investigation, or his or her designee.

5 (11) The Director of the Alabama Office of
6 Prosecution Services, or his or her designee.

7 (12) The President of the Alabama District
8 Attorney's Association, or his or her designee.

9 (13) The Director of the Alabama Department of Child
10 Abuse and Neglect Prevention, or his or her designee.

11 (14) The Director of the Alabama Network of
12 Children's Advocacy Centers, or his or her designee.

13 (15) The Superintendent of the Alabama State
14 Department of Education, or his or her designee.

15 The members of the Task Force shall elect a chair,
16 vice chair, and other officers as deemed necessary for the
17 efficient operation of the business of the Task Force.

18 Each member shall serve at the pleasure of his or
19 her appointing authority. A vacancy in the membership shall be
20 filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

21 The members of the Task Force shall meet at least
22 four times per calendar year and serve without compensation.

23 The Task Force shall hold its initial meeting no
24 later than June 1, 2014, and shall meet thereafter according
25 to a schedule established by the members. Special meetings

1 shall be held at the call of the chair or a quorum of the
2 members of the Task Force. The chair or other members of the
3 Task Force calling the meeting shall give at least seven days'
4 notice of all regular or special meetings, which shall include
5 the place and time of the meeting.

6 A majority of the members of the Task Force shall
7 constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business at a
8 regular or special meeting.

9 The Task Force shall submit an annual report of its
10 findings and recommendations to the Governor, the Lieutenant
11 Governor, the Attorney General, the Senate President Pro
12 Tempore, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives on or
13 before January 1 of each calendar year, and shall submit a
14 copy of its report to all legislators and the Secretary of
15 State.

16 Each department, commission, board, agency, officer,
17 and institution of the state and all subdivisions of the state
18 shall cooperate with the Task Force in carrying out the
19 purposes of this resolution.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

House of Representatives

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
and was adopted by the House 11-MAR-14.

Jeff Woodard
Clerk

Senate

18-MAR-14

Adopted