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3 By Senator Singleton
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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, there is no general
9 provision which makes it unlawful for a member of
10 the board of trustees of all public institutions of
11 higher education to be financially interested in
12 any contract or transaction affecting the interests
13 of the institution or influence the terms or
14 conditions of an employee of the institution except
15 through the prescribed procedures of the
16 institution.

17 This bill would provide that it shall be
18 unlawful for a member of the board of trustees of
19 each public institution of higher education to be
20 financially interested in any contract or
21 transaction affecting the interests of the
22 institution or influence the terms or conditions of
23 an employee of the institution except through the
24 prescribed procedures of the institution.

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26 A BILL

1 TO BE ENTITLED

2 AN ACT

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4 Relating to public institutions of higher education
5 of this state which are governed by a board of trustees; to
6 provide that it shall be unlawful for a member of the board of
7 trustees of each public institution of higher education to be
8 financially interested in any contract or transaction
9 affecting the interests of the institution or influence the
10 terms or conditions of an employee of the institution except
11 through the prescribed procedures of the institution.

12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

13 Section 1. (a) It shall be unlawful for a member of
14 the board of trustees of a public institution of higher
15 education to be financially interested in any contract or
16 transaction affecting the interests of the university; to
17 procure, or be a party in any way to procuring, the
18 appointment of any relative to any position of financial trust
19 or profit; or to influence the appointment, nonreappointment,
20 retention, dismissal, or compensation of any employee of the
21 institution except through the prescribed procedures. A
22 violation of this section shall subject the offending member
23 to removal by the Governor or the board.

24 (b) It is the intent of the Legislature that
25 constitutionally created boards of trustees comply with the
26 requirements of this section.

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