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8 SYNOPSIS: Currently, members of the Legislature may be
9 provided up to two free printed copies of voter
10 lists for their districts during a quadrennium.

11 This bill would delete the provision of law
12 allowing legislators to receive free copies of
13 their districts' voting lists.

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15 A BILL
16 TO BE ENTITLED
17 AN ACT

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19 To amend Section 17-4-38, Code of Alabama 1975,
20 relating to the dissemination of information on voter
21 registration by the Secretary of State; to delete a provision
22 of that section that allows members of the Legislature to
23 receive up to two free printed copies of the voter lists for
24 their districts.

25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

26 Section 1. Section 17-4-38, Code of Alabama 1975, is
27 amended to read as follows:

1 "§17-4-38.

2 "The Secretary of State shall ensure that all
3 applicants obtain requested voter lists in a timely manner.
4 Methods shall be established for the transmission of tapes,
5 discs, or lists to any applicant. Hindrances shall not be
6 created or devised to delay transmission of tapes, discs, or
7 lists to any applicant. Except as provided in this section,
8 there shall be a uniform charge for the production of voter
9 lists. The reproduction costs of the basic electronic copy of
10 the statewide file shall be reasonable as determined by the
11 Secretary of State and a fee schedule shall be conspicuously
12 posted in the office of the Secretary of State. Costs of
13 printed copies of lists are as otherwise provided by law.
14 Access to the lists and voter history information contained on
15 the central computer in the office of the Secretary of State
16 is accessible to anyone making application, except Social
17 Security numbers which are not to be released. Proceeds from
18 the sale of tapes, discs, lists, labels, or other materials
19 from the Secretary of State shall be retained by the Secretary
20 of State for use in voter registration. ~~Upon application and~~
21 ~~without charge, legislators shall be furnished up to two free~~
22 ~~printed copies of the voter lists for their districts during a~~
23 ~~legislative quadrennium and resale of the lists shall be~~
24 ~~strictly prohibited.~~ Upon application and without charge, the
25 Administrative Office of Courts shall be provided with an
26 electronic copy of the statewide voter list no more than once
27 a year for its use in the production of a master jury list or

1 for any other lawful purpose. Resale of any portion of the
2 list by the Administrative Office of Courts shall be strictly
3 prohibited."

4 Section 2. This act shall become effective
5 immediately following its passage and approval by the
6 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.