

1 HB232  
2 173951-1  
3 By Representative Greer  
4 RFD: Education Policy  
5 First Read: 16-FEB-16

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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, the Board of Trustees of  
9 the University of North Alabama is authorized to  
10 fix the salaries or compensation of instructors and  
11 other officers of the university.

12 This bill also would authorize the board to  
13 establish and modify benefits for the instructors  
14 and other officers.

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16 A BILL  
17 TO BE ENTITLED  
18 AN ACT

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20 Relating to the University of North Alabama; to  
21 amend Section 16-51-6 of the Code of Alabama 1975, to  
22 authorize the Board of Trustees to establish and modify  
23 benefits for instructors and other officers of the university.

24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

25 Section 1. Section 16-51-6 of the Code of Alabama  
26 1975, is amended to read as follows:

27 "§16-51-6.

1           "The board of trustees has the power to organize the  
2 university by appointing a president, whose salary shall be  
3 fixed by the board, and by employing a corps of instructors,  
4 who shall be nominated to the board in writing by the  
5 president and who shall be styled the faculty of the  
6 university and such other instructors and officers as the  
7 interests of the university may require; and to remove any  
8 instructors or other officers, and, notwithstanding any other  
9 provision of law, including, but not limited to, Section  
10 16-25-3, establish or modify their benefits, to fix their  
11 salaries or compensation and increase or reduce the same at  
12 their discretion; to delegate by resolution or bylaw to a  
13 committee of the board of trustees or to the president of the  
14 university the authority to establish and implement personnel  
15 rules, policies, and practices for hiring, promoting,  
16 demoting, and terminating instructors, officers, and employees  
17 or to take any other action authorized by this section; to  
18 regulate, alter, or modify the government of the university,  
19 as they may deem advisable; to prescribe courses of  
20 instruction, rates of tuition, and fees; to confer such  
21 academic and honorary degrees as are usually conferred by  
22 institutions of similar character; and to do whatever else  
23 they may deem best for promoting the interest of the  
24 university. In addition to other powers granted to the board  
25 of trustees, the board expressly may enter into and implement  
26 agreements with the governing board or boards of any other  
27 institution or institutions of higher education in Alabama for

1 the purpose of merging those institutions into one successor  
2 institution without seeking or obtaining legislative or  
3 administrative approval. The merger provisions of this section  
4 shall not apply to Alabama A & M University or Alabama State  
5 University."

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