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8 URGING CONGRESS TO ENACT LEGISLATION TO REQUIRE
9 PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE RULES ADOPTED BY FEDERAL AGENCIES TO
10 BE RATIFIED BY AT LEAST 26 STATES.

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12 WHEREAS, Congress enacts volumes of federal
13 legislation each year and directs federal agencies to
14 implement and administer the provisions of the legislation by
15 the adoption of administrative rules; and

16 WHEREAS, thousands and perhaps tens of thousands of
17 unelected federal employees promulgate and adopt thousands of
18 administrative rules as required of them by Congress, many of
19 which are overbroad in their application, and some of which
20 create drastic and unintended hardship upon the citizens of
21 this country; and

22 WHEREAS, these federal agencies are in most cases
23 responding in a reasonable and responsible manner; however,
24 over the past many decades, more and more law is being created
25 by federal departments, offices, bureaus, and agencies; and

26 WHEREAS, as federal agencies are asked to do more
27 each year administratively, the results in many cases are

1 unavavoidable and overbroad requirements, conflicts with other
2 laws, expensive and unworkable mandates, and outright abuse of
3 legislative and administrative powers; now therefore,

4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
5 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That in order to limit some of the
6 ever expanding powers of federal administrative agencies, and
7 to return some input to the states, to which are reserved all
8 powers not reserved to the federal government, we hereby urge
9 Congress to enact federal legislation to provide that, in
10 order to become effective, proposed federal rules must be
11 ratified by the Legislatures of at least 26 states within a
12 two-year period following adoption of the proposed rule.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this
14 resolution be provided each member of the Alabama
15 Congressional Delegation.