

1 SB247
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3 By Senators Melson, Stutts and Orr
4 RFD: Education and Youth Affairs
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.