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3 By Senator Dial
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8 ASSIGNMENT OF NAMING RESOLUTIONS FOR STATE, U.S.,
9 AND INTERSTATE HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES TO THE JOINT
10 TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE.

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12 WHEREAS, Alabama has 11,000 miles of state, U.S.,
13 and interstate highways, and more than 5,700 bridges; and

14 WHEREAS, honorary naming resolutions have a
15 longstanding history in Alabama as a way of memorializing and
16 honoring individuals, groups of people, and historic events or
17 routes of significances; and

18 WHEREAS, as of January, 2016, there were more than
19 620 separate naming resolutions on record with the Alabama
20 Department of Transportation; and

21 WHEREAS, prevailing federal and state guidelines and
22 laws must be considered when the department finalizes a naming
23 resolution adopted by the Legislature; and

24 WHEREAS, the department is obligated to follow
25 federal and state guidelines and laws related to the signage
26 of state, U.S., and interstate highways and bridges and
27 desires to provide a consistent process for honorary naming

1 resolutions without violating federal and state guidelines and
2 laws while avoiding an over-proliferation of highway signage
3 and overlapping named segments; now therefore,

4 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
5 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That resolutions naming state,
6 U.S., and interstate highways and bridges shall be assigned to
7 the Joint Transportation Committee for coordination with the
8 Department of Transportation and initial approval before the
9 final vote by the respective chamber.