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3 By Senator Allen
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8 URGING THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO CONTINUE
9 DELIVERY SERVICE TO INDIVIDUALIZED CURBSIDE BOXES IN NEW
10 RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS.

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12 WHEREAS, the Postal Operations Manual sets forth the
13 policies, regulations, and procedures of the United States
14 Postal Service (USPS) governing, among other things, the
15 collection, processing, transportation, and delivery of the
16 United States Mail; and

17 WHEREAS, the Postal Operations Manual was last
18 issued in July 2002; and

19 WHEREAS, the Postal Operations Manual has from
20 time-to-time been updated with various Postal Bulletin
21 Revisions; and

22 WHEREAS, delivery of mail by the USPS to single
23 family detached residential housing is governed by Part 631.3
24 of the Postal Operations Manual; and

25 WHEREAS, curbside delivery is governed by Part
26 631.32 which provides for delivery to individual boxes in
27 detached residential developments at the curb of a street

1 which may be grouped, two to a property line where possible;
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3 WHEREAS, representatives of the USPS have
4 communicated to the residential development and construction
5 industry a desire to eliminate or restrict individualized
6 curbside delivery of mail in new residential developments in
7 favor of centralized box units; and

8 WHEREAS, delivery of the mail by the USPS in
9 residential developments has traditionally been done by
10 individualized curbside delivery in accordance with its rules
11 and policies; and

12 WHEREAS, centralized box units are costlier to
13 install and maintain than boxes for individualized curbside
14 delivery; and

15 WHEREAS, centralized box units detract aesthetically
16 from new residential developments; and

17 WHEREAS, centralized box units are more inconvenient
18 to access and use than boxes for individualized curbside
19 delivery; and

20 WHEREAS, centralized box units are more likely to
21 cause damage or loss of mail than boxes for individualized
22 curbside delivery; and

23 WHEREAS, centralized box units create an atmosphere
24 conducive to criminal activity; and

25 WHEREAS, individualized curbside delivery has
26 provided a safe and efficient means for the delivery of mail
27 for generations of Americans; and

1 WHEREAS, the cost of centralized boxes comes at the
2 expense of the consumer's finances and safety; now therefore,

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
4 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we urge the United States
5 Postal Service to cease and abandon any efforts to require
6 centralized box units for the delivery of mail in any
7 residential development and to encourage the installation and
8 use of boxes for individualized curbside delivery.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this
10 resolution be provided to the Postmaster General and Chief
11 Executive Officer of the United States Postal Service, the
12 Board of Governors of the United States Postal Service, and
13 the Vice President for Southern Area Operations of the United
14 States Postal Service.