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3 By Representative Baker
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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, the Department of
9 Corrections is specifically authorized to purchase
10 equipment, raw materials, components, and supplies
11 and to engage the supervisory personnel necessary
12 to establish or maintain penitentiaries, penal
13 farms, and other institutions needed for the
14 manufacture or production of articles or products
15 needed for the construction, operation,
16 maintenance, or use of any office, department,
17 institution, or agency supported by the state or
18 its political subdivisions.

19 Also under existing law, purchases of
20 equipment, raw materials, components, and supplies
21 made by the Department of Corrections are exempt
22 from purchasing through the Division of Purchasing
23 of the Department of Finance.

24 This bill would specifically authorize the
25 Department of Corrections to purchase services and
26 would exempt those purchases from purchasing
27 through the Division of Purchasing of the

1 Department of Finance. This bill would also
2 authorize the department to promote the
3 department's products and services through
4 advertisements, meals, receptions, and other
5 commonly used advertisement methods.

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7 A BILL
8 TO BE ENTITLED
9 AN ACT

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11 Relating to the purchasing power of the Department
12 of Corrections; to amend Section 14-7-8, Code of Alabama 1975,
13 as last amended by Act 2018-248, 2018 Regular Session, to
14 authorize the department to purchase services; and to provide
15 that services purchased by the department are exempt from
16 purchasing through the Division of Purchasing of the
17 Department of Finance.

18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

19 Section 1. Section 14-7-8, Code of Alabama 1975, as
20 last amended by Act 2018-248, 2018 Regular Session, is amended
21 to read as follows:

22 "§14-7-8.

23 "(a) The Alabama Department of Corrections is
24 authorized to do all of the following:

25 "(1) Purchase ~~purchase~~ in the manner prescribed by
26 law, equipment, raw materials, components, services, and
27 supplies_.

1 "(2) Engage and to engage the supervisory personnel
2 necessary to establish and maintain for this state, at a
3 penitentiary, ~~or a~~ penal farm, or other institution now or
4 hereafter under the control of the department, industries for
5 the utilization of services of prisoners in the manufacture or
6 production of such articles or products as may be needed for
7 the construction, operation, maintenance, or use of any
8 office, department, institution, or agency supported in whole
9 or in part by this state and the political subdivisions
10 thereof.

11 "(3) Promote the department's products and services
12 using any of the following manners:

13 "a. Advertisements.

14 "b. Receptions.

15 "c. Meals.

16 "d. Other commonly used methods to advertise
17 products or services to the general public.

18 "(b) Purchases of equipment, raw materials,
19 components, services, and supplies by the Alabama Department
20 of Corrections for the manufacture or production of
21 prison-made goods pursuant to subsection (a) are exempt from
22 purchasing through the Division of Purchasing of the
23 Department of Finance."

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