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3 By Senator Livingston
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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, the State Board of
9 Education is required to afford all public K-12
10 students an opportunity each school day to
11 voluntarily recite the pledge of allegiance to the
12 United States flag.

13 This bill would require that the pledge of
14 allegiance to the United States flag be conducted
15 at the beginning of each school day in the public
16 K-12 schools of the state.

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18 A BILL
19 TO BE ENTITLED
20 AN ACT

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22 Relating to public K-12 education; to amend Section
23 16-43-5, Code of Alabama 1975, to require that the pledge of
24 allegiance to the United States flag be conducted at the
25 beginning of each school day.

26 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

1 Section 1. Section 16-43-5 of the Code of Alabama
2 1975, is amended to read as follows:

3 "§16-43-5.

4 "~~The State Board of Education shall afford~~ pledge of
5 allegiance to the United States flag shall be conducted at the
6 beginning of each school day and all students attending public
7 kindergarten, primary, and secondary schools shall be given
8 the opportunity each school day to voluntarily recite the
9 pledge of allegiance to the United States flag."

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