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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, the expenditures of
9 self-sustaining state professional licensing
10 boards, agencies, and commissions are not required
11 to be published on the searchable public Internet
12 database maintained by the Comptroller and
13 contracts for personal and professional services
14 entered into by those boards, agencies, and
15 commissions are not subject to review by the
16 Contract Review Permanent Legislative Oversight
17 Committee.

18 This bill would require previously exempted
19 self-sustaining state professional licensing
20 boards, agencies, and commissions to publish their
21 expenditure information on the public website of
22 the board, agency, or commission.

23 This bill would also subject certain
24 contracts for personal and professional services of
25 self-sustaining state professional licensing
26 boards, agencies, and commissions to review by the
27 Contract Review Permanent Legislative Oversight

1 Committee in the same manner as required for other
2 state agencies.

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4 A BILL
5 TO BE ENTITLED
6 AN ACT

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8 Relating to professional licensing boards, agencies,
9 and commissions; to require each self-sustaining board,
10 agency, or commission exempted from posting expenditures
11 through the searchable public Internet database of the
12 Comptroller, to post the information on the public website of
13 the board, agency, or commission; and to subject personal and
14 professional service contracts of those boards, agencies, and
15 commissions to review by the Contract Review Permanent
16 Legislative Oversight Committee.

17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

18 Section 1. (a) (1) For the purposes of this section,
19 a licensing board is a state professional licensing board,
20 agency, or commission that is self-sustaining by its own
21 revenues and fees, the expenditures of which are not required
22 to be published on the searchable public Internet database
23 maintained by the Comptroller pursuant to Section 41-4-65,
24 Code of Alabama 1975.

25 (2) The expenditures, including contracts and
26 grants, of each licensing board shall be published on the
27 website of the licensing board within 60 calendar days after

1 the date the expenditure is made. The published expenditures
2 shall be electronically searchable by the public, include the
3 same information, and be subject to the same requirements and
4 restrictions as provided for state entities in Section
5 41-4-65, Code of Alabama 1975, as applicable.

6 (b) The home page of the website of each licensing
7 board shall include a prominent link to the expenditure
8 information required to be published by this section.

9 (c) Each licensing board may adopt rules to
10 implement and administer this section.

11 Section 2. Each contract for personal or
12 professional services, as defined in Section 29-2-41.2, Code
13 of Alabama 1975, entered into by a state professional
14 licensing board, agency, or commission that is self-sustaining
15 by its own revenues and fees, shall be reviewed by the
16 Contract Review Permanent Legislative Oversight Committee in
17 the same manner as the personal and professional services
18 contracts of state departments are reviewed by the committee
19 pursuant to Article 3, commencing with Section 29-2-40,
20 Chapter 2, Title 29, Code of Alabama 1975.

21 Section 3. This act shall become effective on the
22 first day of the third month following its passage and
23 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.