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3 By Representatives Bedsole, Smith and Oliver
4 RFD: Rules
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8 NAMING A PORTION OF INTERSTATE 65 THE OFFICER
9 RICHARD H. BUCKNER MEMORIAL HIGHWAY.

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11 WHEREAS, in honor of Police Officer Richard H.
12 Buckner, who was killed in the line of duty, it is appropriate
13 to name a portion of Interstate 65 the Officer Richard H.
14 Buckner Memorial Highway; and

15 WHEREAS, a Police Officer with the Clanton Police
16 Department, Officer Buckner was responding to an emergency
17 dispatch to provide backup support to his fellow police
18 officers when an accident occurred and Officer Buckner was
19 forced off the roadway; his quick action to avoid a head-on
20 collision likely saved the lives of innocent citizens; and

21 WHEREAS, highly respected by his fellow officers and
22 in the community, Officer Buckner was always conscientious to
23 protect and serve and was en route doing just that when his
24 life was sacrificed; and

25 WHEREAS, while no action on our part can make amends
26 to his family and friends for their loss, this special

1 designation may ensure that he is remembered with utmost
2 gratitude by Alabamians; now therefore,

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
4 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That in honor and memory of Police
5 Officer Richard H. Buckner, we declare that the portion of
6 Interstate 65 from Exit 205 to Exit 208 in Clanton, Alabama,
7 be named the Officer Richard H. Buckner Memorial Highway.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the appropriate
9 officials be requested to place and maintain signs or markers
10 as provided in this resolution.