

1 SB8  
2 215393-1  
3 By Senator Butler  
4 RFD: Finance and Taxation General Fund  
5 First Read: 28-OCT-21

8 SYNOPSIS: This bill would prohibit an entity or  
9 individual from compelling another individual to  
10 receive a COVID-19 vaccine if that individual  
11 objects for a personal reason, religious reason, or  
12 medical reason, including recovery from COVID-19.

13 This bill would also establish civil  
14 penalties for violations.

16 A BILL  
17 TO BE ENTITLED  
18 AN ACT

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20 Relating to vaccines; to prohibit an entity or  
21 individual from compelling another individual to receive a  
22 COVID-19 vaccine under certain circumstances.

23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

24 Section 1. (a) For the purposes of this section,  
25 COVID-19 means the virus for which the Governor declared a  
26 public health emergency on March 13, 2020, or any mutation  
27 thereof that results in an epidemic of which a public health

1 state of emergency is declared under the Alabama Emergency  
2 Management Act of 1955.

3 (b) No entity or individual may compel receipt of a  
4 COVID-19 vaccine by any individual, including an employee or a  
5 consumer, who objects to the vaccination for any reason of  
6 personal conscience, based on a religious belief, or for  
7 medical reasons, including recovery from COVID-19.

8 (c) An entity or individual that violates this  
9 section is subject to a one thousand dollar (\$1,000) fine for  
10 each violation of this section.

11 Section 2. This act shall become effective  
12 immediately following its passage and approval by the  
13 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.