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- 3 By Representative South
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4	A BILL
5	TO BE ENTITLED
6	AN ACT
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8	To amend Sections 24-11-5, 24-11-7, and 24-11-10,
9	Code of Alabama 1975, relating to first-time and second chance
10	home buyer savings accounts; to extend the ability to create a
11	first-time and second chance home buyer savings account; to
12	allow deposits for ten years; to define the account holder's
13	responsibilities; and to require the Department of Revenue to
14	report additional information.
15	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:
16	Section 1. Sections 24-11-5, 24-11-7, and 24-11-10,
17	Code of Alabama 1975, are amended to read as follows:
18	"§24-11-5.
19	" <u>(a)</u> The account holder shall do all of the
20	following:
21	(1) Not use funds held in a first-time and second
22	chance home buyer savings account to pay expenses of
23	administering the account, except that a service or other
24	account fee may be deducted from the account by the financial
25	institution in which the account is held.
26	"(2) Submit the following to the Department of
27	Revenue with the account holder's Alabama income tax return:

"a. Detailed information, in a form prescribed by the Department of Revenue, regarding the first-time and second chance home buyer savings account, including a list of transactions for the account during the tax year.

5 "b. Form 1099 issued by the financial institution 6 for the account.

7 "(3) Submit to the department, upon a withdrawal of 8 funds from a first-time and second chance home buyer savings 9 account, a detailed account of the eligible costs toward which 10 the account funds were applied and a statement of the amount of funds remaining in the account, if any. If upon withdrawal 11 of funds from the first-time and second chance home buyer 12 13 savings account, the account holder fails to provide the 14 department with the detailed account of the eligible costs 15 towards which the account funds were applied, the entire account's funds, including the interest and other income on 16 17 principal, shall be subject to the penalties listed under Section 24-11-8. 18

"(b) Failure to submit the documentation required
 under subsection (a) on an annual basis with the filing of the
 Alabama income tax return will result in the automatic denial
 of the deduction and exclusion.

"§24-11-7.

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"(a) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter
and subject to the limitations under this section, a
first-time and second chance home buyer savings account holder
shall be entitled to a state tax deduction, subject to the

limitations of this section, not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for an account holder who files an individual tax return or ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for joint account holders who file a joint tax return, for contributions made by the account holder to a first-time and second chance home buyer savings account during the tax year in which the deduction is claimed.

8 "(b) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter 9 and subject to the limitations under this section, earnings 10 from the first-time and second chance home buyer savings 11 account, including interest and other income on the principal, 12 shall be excluded from taxable income of an account holder for 13 Alabama income tax purposes during the tax year.

14 "(c) An account holder may claim the deduction and 15 exclusion under this section as follows:

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"(1) For a period not to exceed five <u>10</u> years.

17 "(2) For an aggregate total amount of principal and 18 earnings not to exceed twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) 19 for individual accounts and fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) 20 for joint accounts during the <u>five-year</u> <u>10-year</u> period.

"(3) Only if the principal and earnings of the account remain in the account until a withdrawal is made for eligible costs related to the purchase of a single-family residence by a first-time and second chance home buyer.

25 "(d) A person other than the account holder who26 deposits funds in a first-time and second chance home buyer

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savings account shall not be entitled to the deduction and
 exclusion provided under this chapter.

"(e) Any funds in a first-time and second chance
home buyer savings account not expended on eligible costs by
December 31 of the last year of the five-year <u>10-year</u> period
beginning with January 1 of the tax year in which a deduction
was first claimed under subsection (a) shall thereafter be
included in the account holder's taxable income.

9 "(f) The deduction and exclusion from taxable income 10 provided by this chapter shall apply to any alternative basis 11 for calculating taxable income for Alabama income tax 12 purposes.

13 "(g) The funds in the first-time and second chance 14 home buyer savings account shall not be used to purchase a 15 single-family residence outside of this state.

"(h) This section shall terminate five years from
the effective date of this act December 31, 2028, for No
first-time and second chance home buyer savings account
holders not currently claiming the deduction and exclusion
shall be established under this section chapter after December
31, 2028, unless extended by an act of the Legislature.

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"§24-11-10.

23 "The department shall report to the Fiscal Division 24 of the Legislative Services Agency on an annual basis the 25 total annual number of deductions claimed and total amount of 26 deposits deducted pursuant to this chapter, <u>the number of</u> 27 taxpayers who submitted an account to the department pursuant 1 <u>to subdivision (a)(3) of Section 24-11-5</u>, and the number of 2 taxpayers who claimed a first-time and second chance home 3 buyer deduction that did not expend the funds pursuant to 4 subsection (e) of Section 24-11-7, or were subjected to the 5 penalty provisions of Section 24-11-8."

6 Section 2. This act shall become effective 7 immediately following its passage and approval by the 8 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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3	House of Representatives
4 5 6 7 8	Read for the first time and re- ferred to the House of Representa- tives committee on Ways and Means Education 18-JAN-22
9 10 11	Read for the second time and placed on the calendar 1 amendment 16-FEB-22
12 13 14	Read for the third time and passed as amended 24-FEB-22 Yeas 95, Nays 0, Abstains 1

Jeff Woodard Clerk