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SYNOPSIS:

Under existing law, when a public works contract requires the use of steel, the contractor performing the contract is required to use steel produced within the United States.

This bill would provide that when a public works contract requires the use of timber, the contractor performing the contract would be required to use timber produced within the United States.

A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to public contracts; to amend Section 39-3-4, Code of Alabama 1975, to provide requirements for the use of timber produced within the United States for certain public works projects under certain conditions.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Section 39-3-4, Code of Alabama 1975, is amended to read as follows:

"§39-3-4

(a) Any contractor for a public works project, financed entirely by the State of Alabama or any political subdivision



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29 thereof, within this state shall use timber or steel produced
30 within the United States when specifications in the
31 construction contract require the use of timber or steel and
32 do not limit its supply to a sole source under subsection (f)
33 of Section 39-2-2. If the awarding authority decides that the
34 procurement of ~~the above mentioned~~ domestic timber or steel
35 products becomes impractical as a result of a national
36 emergency, national strike, or other cause, the awarding
37 authority shall waive the above restriction.

38 (b) In the event the contractor violates the domestic
39 timber or steel requirements of subsection (a), and domestic
40 timber or steel is not used, there shall be a downward
41 adjustment in the contract price equal to any realized savings
42 or benefits to the contractor."

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