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HJR\_\_\_\_\_ SUPPORTING THE REPAIR AND CONTINUED MAINTENANCE OF  
WILSON LOCK AND DAM ON THE TENNESSEE RIVER.

WHEREAS, The State of Alabama recognizes the immense impact Wilson Lock and Dam has on agriculture, industry, recreation, both interstate and intrastate commerce, the economic interests of the state, and the State of Alabama as a whole; the Tennessee River serves the entire northern portion of the state as a vital artery connecting the state to not only the rest of the nation but the entire world as part of the Mississippi River Drainage; the Tennessee River is only made navigable by dams such as Wilson Lock and Dam; the many businesses and industries located along the river, including the cutting edge aerospace companies that are located in this northern portion of the state, depend upon the Tennessee River for the transport of their goods; and

WHEREAS, the current disrepair and abysmal state of Wilson Lock and Dam threatens all of the aforementioned contributions the lock and dam provides to the state; without Wilson Lock and Dam being fully operational, the state stands to lose one of its most vital connections to the nation and world; the loss of such connection would



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26 cause potentially irreparable damage to the state; now  
27 therefore,

28 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
29 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the current state of Wilson  
30 Lock and Dam is unacceptable, that we lend our support in  
31 whatever fashion the state deems appropriate to remedy this  
32 issue, and we fully stand behind the industries of this  
33 state that so heavily depend upon this lock and dam.