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A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To adopt and incorporate into the Code of Alabama 1975, those general and permanent laws of the state enacted during the 2023 First Special Session, the 2023 Regular Session, and the 2023 Second Special Session as contained in the 2023 Cumulative Supplements to certain volumes of the code and 2024 Replacement Volumes 16, 21, and 21A; and to adopt and incorporate into the Code of Alabama 1975, the 2023 Cumulative Supplements to local law volumes; to make corrections in certain volumes of the cumulative supplements and replacement volumes; to specify that this adoption and incorporation constitute a continuous systematic codification of the entire Code of Alabama 1975, and that this act is a law that adopts a code; to declare that the Code Publisher has certified that it has discharged its duties regarding the replacement volumes; to expressly provide that this act does not affect any 2024 session statutes; and to specify the duties of the Secretary of State regarding the custody of the cumulative supplements and replacement volumes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1.(a) Those general and permanent laws of the



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29 state enacted during the 2023 First Special Session, the 2023
30 Regular Session, and the 2023 Second Special Session as
31 contained in the 2023 Cumulative Supplements to Volumes 3 to
32 15B, inclusive, Volumes 16A to 20, inclusive, and Volumes 22
33 to 22A, inclusive, and the 2023 Replacement Volumes 16, 21,
34 and 21A, and the additions and deletions made by the Code
35 Commissioner for editorial purposes, as edited and published
36 by Thomson Reuters, as the Code Publisher, which volumes of
37 the 2023 Cumulative Supplements and 2023 Replacement Volumes
38 16, 21, and 21A are identified and authenticated by the Great
39 Seal of the State of Alabama placed upon the front and back of
40 each of the volumes of the cumulative supplements and upon the
41 first inside page and the last inside page of the replacement
42 volumes, are adopted and incorporated into the Code of Alabama
43 1975.

44 (b) The following corrections are made:

45 (1) Section 20-2A-62, 2023 Cumulative Supplement to
46 Volume 14, page 207. To correct a publishing error in
47 subdivision (d)(4), replace "Cultivatars" with "Cultivars."

48 (2) Section 22-24-12, 2015 Replacement Volume 14A, page
49 802. To delete Section 22-24-12 in its entirety, as this
50 section was repealed by implication in Sections 3 and 4 of Act
51 2023-444.

52 (3) Section 27-17A-2, 2024 Replacement Volume 16, pages
53 463 to 468, inclusive. To delete Section 27-17A-2 in its
54 entirety, as this section was retained in the Code of Alabama
55 1975, due to a scrivener's error in Act 2023-94.

56 (4) Section 26-10E-19, 2023 Cumulative Supplement to



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57 Volume 15B, page 56. To correct a scrivener's error and
58 conform the language in subdivision (a)(2) to the federal act
59 referenced in the subdivision, replace "for five years or
60 more." with "in the preceding five years."

61 (5) Section 45-22-100.07, 2023 Cumulative Supplement to
62 Volume 22E, page 55. To redesignate Section 45-22-100.07 as
63 Section 45-22A-40.

64 Section 2. Those local and permanent laws of the state
65 previously enacted and contained in the local and permanent
66 laws pertaining to various counties enacted during the 2023
67 First Special Session, the 2023 Regular Session, and the 2023
68 Second Special Session, as contained in the 2023 Cumulative
69 Supplements to Volumes 22B, 22C, 22D, 22E, 22F, 22G, 22H, 22I,
70 22J, 22K, 22L, and 22M and the additions and deletions made by
71 the Code Commissioner for editorial purposes, as edited and
72 published by Thomson Reuters, as the Code Publisher, which
73 volumes of the 2023 Cumulative Supplements are identified and
74 authenticated by the Great Seal of the State of Alabama placed
75 upon the front and back of each of the volumes of the
76 cumulative supplements, are adopted and incorporated into the
77 Code of Alabama 1975.

78 Section 3. The adoption and incorporation of the
79 supplements and replacement volumes specified in this act
80 shall constitute a continuous systematic codification of the
81 entire Code of Alabama 1975, for purposes of Section 85 of the
82 Constitution of Alabama of 2022. This act is a law that adopts
83 a code for the purposes of Section 45 of the Constitution of
84 Alabama of 2022. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in



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85 this act shall be deemed to codify any provision of law that
86 was adopted in violation of any provision of the Constitution
87 of Alabama of 2022, establishing requirements for, or
88 limitations on, the enactment of a law.

89 Section 4. It is declared that Thomson Reuters, as the
90 Code Publisher, has certified that it has discharged its
91 duties and responsibilities to edit and publish 2024
92 Replacement Volumes 16, 21, and 21A of the Code of Alabama
93 1975, by combining the material in the previous bound volumes
94 with the material contained in the cumulative supplements
95 without making substantive changes, but making, under the
96 supervision and pursuant to the direction of the Code
97 Commissioner, nonsubstantive changes and corrections as may
98 have resulted from changes in reference numbers, changes of
99 names and titles of governmental departments, agencies, and
100 officers, typographical errors, grammatical changes, and
101 misspellings.

102 Section 5. The adoption of this act shall not repeal,
103 supersede, amend, or in any other way affect any statute
104 enacted into law during any 2024 session of the Legislature.

105 Section 6. Upon passage and approval of this act, the
106 duly authenticated volumes of the 2023 Cumulative Supplements
107 and the 2024 Replacement Volumes 16, 21, and 21A shall be
108 transmitted to the Secretary of State, who shall file the
109 volumes of the supplements and the replacement volumes in that
110 office. The volumes of the supplements and replacement volumes
111 shall not be removed from the office of the Secretary of
112 State, but the Secretary of State, upon request, under proper



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113 certificate and seal of that office, shall certify any part or
114 parts thereof upon payment of the fee specified by law for
115 similar services.

116 Section 7. This act shall become effective immediately.