



FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 51

Committee: County and Municipal Government

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Senate Bill 51 as introduced amends the Alabama Memorial Preservation Act of 2017 to revise the penalty on entities that fail to get a waiver to rename, relocate, remove, alter or otherwise disturb public property until the property has been restored to its original condition from \$25,000 per violation to \$5,000 per day per violation until the entity has taken full restorative action to comply with the provision of the Alabama Memorial Preservation Act. However, this bill authorizes the Attorney General to stay the fines upon submission of supporting documentation that the restoration has begun.

This bill would also increase the obligations of the governmental entities that maintain architecturally significant buildings or memorial buildings, by an undetermined amount, to erect markers naming any resulting building, park or green space after the individual or event the building was originally named.

This bill also provides that a petition for waiver is deemed denied if the Committee on Alabama Monument Protection fails to act on an application for waiver within 90 days.