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SYNOPSIS:

Under existing law, it is unlawful during a declared emergency for any person to impose unconscionable prices for the sale of any commodity or rental of any facility.

This bill would provide that it is unlawful during a declared emergency for any person to impose unconscionable prices for the provision of any service.

A BILL  
TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

Relating to consumer protection; to amend Section 8-31-3, Code of Alabama 1975; to further provide for the prohibition of unconscionable prices during a declared emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Section 8-31-3, Code of Alabama 1975, is amended to read as follows:

"§8-31-3

It is unlawful and a violation of Section 8-19-5~~7~~ for any person or entity to impose unconscionable prices for the sale or rental of any commodity~~or~~, the rental of any



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29 facility, or the provision of any service during the period of  
30 a declared state of emergency for any time periods and in any  
31 affected areas specified in a proclamation by the Governor or  
32 a joint resolution of the Legislature issued pursuant to  
33 Section 31-9-8(a)."

34           Section 2. This act shall become effective on October  
35 1, 2025.