

## HJR241 INTRODUCED



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4 HJR\_\_\_\_ ESTABLISHING THE JOINT STUDY COMMISSION ON ADVANCED  
5 AIR MOBILITY.  
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7 WHEREAS, our system of aviation is now on the cusp of  
8 the greatest transformation since the introduction of  
9 widely-available jet travel over 60 years ago; and

10 WHEREAS, this phenomenon, designated as Advanced Air  
11 Mobility, refers to an entirely new, full-spectrum paradigm  
12 for how humanity experiences flight, from drones to  
13 passenger aircraft with vertical takeoff and landing  
14 capability, to advanced systems that comprehensively direct  
15 and manage air traffic; and

16 WHEREAS, this emergent field raises the exciting  
17 prospect of short-distance commuting, including "air taxi"  
18 service and cargo transport between previously underserved  
19 locales and regions; and

20 WHEREAS, the United States Congress has prioritized  
21 Advanced Air Mobility, through its enactment in 2022 of  
22 Public Law No. 117-203, the "Advanced Air Mobility  
23 Coordination and Leadership Act"; and

24 WHEREAS, the State of Alabama would uniquely benefit  
25 from the development and implementation of Advanced Air  
26 Mobility, having rural areas distant from airports that link  
27 with continental and international destinations; and



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WHEREAS, the City of Huntsville has played a leadership role in the advancement of aeronautics in North America, as home to the NASA Marshall Space Flight Center and scores of companies that serve the aerospace and aeronautical industries; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the Joint Study Commission on Advanced Air Mobility is established for the purpose of recommending legislation that would ensure that the State of Alabama will be at the forefront of the emerging Advanced Air Mobility field.

(a) The membership of the study commission shall consist of all of the following:

(1) The Lieutenant Governor, or his or her designee.

(2) Three members of the Senate to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, one of whom shall be a member of the minority party.

(3) Three members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, one of whom shall be a member of the minority party.

(4) The Secretary of the Alabama State Law Enforcement Agency, or his or her designee.

(5) Two individuals experienced in aviation or aeronautical design, to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

(6) Two individuals experienced in aviation or aeronautical design, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.



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56 (b) (1) The membership of the study commission shall  
57 be inclusive and reflect the racial, gender, geographic,  
58 urban, rural, and economic diversity of the state.

59 (2) No later than 60 days after enactment of this  
60 resolution, the Governor shall call the first meeting of the  
61 study commission, at which the members shall elect a chair  
62 from among the membership.

63 (3) The members of the study commission shall be  
64 entitled to their legislative compensation, per diem, and  
65 travel expenses for each day they attend a meeting of the  
66 task force pursuant to Section 49 of the Constitution of  
67 Alabama of 2022.

68 (c) Pursuant to Section 36-14-17.1, Code of Alabama  
69 1975, the study commission shall provide to the Secretary of  
70 State a notice of all meetings, the name of each member  
71 serving on the study commission, and a copy of all reports  
72 and written recommendations produced throughout the duration  
73 of the study commission.

74 (d) (1) The study commission shall meet as necessary  
75 to conduct its business.

76 (2) A quorum for a meeting shall be seven members.

77 (3) The study commission may meet by electronic  
78 means.

79 (e) The commission's areas of study shall include,  
80 but not be limited to, all of the following:

81 (1) The state's existing aviation infrastructure and  
82 the steps needed to provide for its participation and



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83 expansion in new local, regional, and urban transportation  
84 systems.

85 (2) Identification of the Alabama companies that  
86 serve the aeronautical industry, with the purpose of  
87 fostering their contributions to Advanced Air Mobility.

88 (3) The recruitment to the state of innovative  
89 companies engaged in some area of Advanced Air Mobility  
90 technology or logistics.

91 (f) The study commission shall submit its  
92 recommendations on Advanced Air Mobility legislation to the  
93 Governor no later than the third day of the 2027 Regular  
94 Session of the Legislature, at which time the study  
95 commission shall terminate.