



**House County and Municipal Government Reported  
Substitute for HB324**

A BILL

TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

Relating to sheriffs; to further provide for the start  
of terms of office; and to make conforming changes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Section 36-3-4, Code of Alabama 1975, is  
amended to read as follows:

"§36-3-4

(a) ~~The sheriff, one~~ One coroner, ~~members of county~~  
~~commissions,~~ one county treasurer, when elective, and one  
constable for each election precinct shall hold their  
respective offices for the term of four years from the first  
Monday after the second Tuesday of January ~~next~~ after their  
election and until their successors are elected and qualified,  
~~except as provided in subsection (b) hereof.~~

(b) ~~Beginning with the next term of office for each~~  
~~county commissioner, such term shall expire six days next~~  
~~following the day of the general election at which the~~  
~~successor to that office is elected. Thereafter each such~~ The  
term of office of a county commissioner shall hold his  
respective office from 12:01 A.M. of the seventh day next  
following his election and until his successor is elected and



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29 ~~qualified~~begin and conclude as provided in Section 11-3-1(d).

30 (c) A sheriff shall hold his or her office for the term  
31 of four years from 12:00 p.m. of the first Monday after the  
32 second Tuesday of January after his or her election and until  
33 his or her successor is elected and qualified."

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