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SYNOPSIS:

This bill would provide that it is unlawful for a law enforcement officer to use a taser on an individual who is restrained.

This bill would also provide criminal penalties for a violation.

A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to crimes and offenses; to provide that it is unlawful for a law enforcement officer to use a taser on an individual who is restrained; and to provide criminal penalties.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. (a) For the purposes of this section, the term "taser" means any mechanism that is designed to emit or project an electronic, magnetic, or other type of charge or shock for the purpose of temporarily incapacitating a person.

(b) Notwithstanding Section 13A-3-27, Code of Alabama 1975, it shall be unlawful for a law enforcement officer to use a taser on an individual who is restrained or otherwise unable to resist, including when an individual has been placed



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29 in handcuffs, body cuffs, or any other restraining device.

30 (c) A violation of this section is a Class C felony.

31 Section 2. This act shall become effective on October

32 1, 2025.