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3 By Representative Datcher
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A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to municipal employees; to amend Section 11-43-12, Code of Alabama 1975, to provide that a municipal employee may be the recipient of a grant program, even though funds flow through the municipal treasury, if certain conditions are met.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Section 11-43-12, Code of Alabama 1975, is amended to read as follows:

"§11-43-12

(a) No ~~alderman or~~ officer or employee of the municipality shall ~~be~~ have, directly or indirectly, ~~interested~~ a financial interest in any work, business, or contract, the expense, price, or consideration of which is paid from the treasury, nor shall any member of the council or officer of the municipality be surety for any person having a contract, work, or business with ~~such~~ the municipality for the performance of which a surety may be required.

(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), a first responder employed by the municipality, if otherwise qualified, is not prohibited from accepting or receiving funds from a community



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29 development block grant where the funds flow through the
30 municipal treasury, provided:

31 (1) The benefit to the first responder is similar and
32 in a like manner to other recipients of the grant program; and

33 (2) The first responder does not play any
34 decision-making role in eligibility for receiving funds from
35 the grant program.

36 (c) The exception in subsection (b) is not available to
37 any public official, as defined in Section 36-25-1, or any
38 family member of the public official, as defined in Section
39 36-25-1.

40 ~~(b)(d)~~ Any ~~person~~ individual who violates ~~any of the~~
41 ~~provisions of~~ this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor
42 and, on conviction ~~thereof~~, shall be fined not less than
43 ~~\$50.00~~ fifty dollars (\$50) nor more than ~~\$1,000.00~~ one thousand
44 dollars (\$1,000), and may also be sentenced to hard labor for
45 the county for not more than six months."

46 Section 2. This act shall become effective on October
47 1, 2026.



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Clerk