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3 By Representatives Ledbetter, Lovvorn, Lee, Allbright, Baker,

4 Barnes, Bedsole, Blackshear, Bolton, Boyd, Bracy, Brinyark,

5 Brown, Butler, Carns, Chestnut, Clarke, Clouse, Collins,

6 Colvin, Crawford, Crow, Daniels, Datcher, Drummond, DuBose,

7 Easterbrook, Ellis, England, Estes, Faulkner, Fidler, Fincher,

8 Forte, Garrett, Gidley, Givan, Givens, Gray, Hall, Hammett,

9 Harrison, Hassell, Hendrix, Hill, Holk-Jones, Hollis, Hulsey,

10 Hurst, Ingram, Jackson, Jones, Kiel, Kirkland, Lamb, Lands,

11 Lawrence, Lipscomb, Lomax, Marques, McCampbell, McClammy,

12 Mooney, Moore (M), Moore (P), Morris, Myrex, Nelson, Oliver,

13 Paramore, Paschal, Pettus, Pringle, Rafferty, Rehm, Reynolds,

14 Rigsby, Robbins, Robertson, Ross, Sellers, Sells, Shaver,

15 Shaw, Shirey, Simpson, Smith, Sorrells, Stadthagen,

16 Standridge, Starnes, Stringer, Stubbs, Tillman, Travis,

17 Treadaway, Underwood, Wadsworth, Warren, Whitt, Whorton,

18 Wilcox, Wood (R), Yarbrough

19 RFD: RULES

20 First Read: 31-Mar-26



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1 Enrolled, An Act,

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3 COMMENDING REPRESENTATIVE PHILLIP ENSLER ON HIS PROFESSIONAL
4 ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN THE ALABAMA LEGISLATURE.

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6 WHEREAS, it is with highest admiration and deepest
7 respect that we commend the Honorable Phillip Ensler,
8 currently serving as a Democratic member of the Alabama
9 House of Representatives, representing District 74, for his
10 many accomplishments and dedicated service to the people of
11 the State of Alabama; and

12 WHEREAS, upon his election in 2022, Representative
13 Ensler made history as the first Jewish lawmaker in the
14 Alabama Legislature in over four decades and the first
15 Democrat to flip a House seat in over a decade, bringing a
16 unique and vital perspective to the State House; and

17 WHEREAS, as an undergraduate student at George
18 Washington University in Washington D.C., he served as an
19 intern during the Obama Administration; Representative
20 Ensler first came to Montgomery as a Teach For America corps
21 member, where he taught social studies at the former Lee
22 High School, an experience that forged his lifelong bond
23 with the community and ignited his passion for educational
24 equity; and

25 WHEREAS, in 2012, he started a program called
26 Marching On, in which some of his students and he would fly
27 to Washington, D.C., often the students' first time on an
28 airplane, to meet with leaders, tour colleges, and learn



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29 about career opportunities; he has continued leading the
30 program each year since and expanded it to include students
31 from all five of Montgomery's traditional public high
32 schools; and

33 WHEREAS, in order to become an even more effective
34 agent for social change, he earned his law degree from
35 Cardozo School of Law; after passing the Alabama Bar, he
36 served as Policy Counsel for Alabama Appleseed Center for
37 Law and Justice, and later he served as Montgomery Mayor
38 Steven Reed's Senior Policy Advisor; and

39 WHEREAS, recently, it was the honor of a lifetime for
40 Representative Ensler to serve as Claudette Colvin's
41 attorney in her successful attempt to expunge her court
42 record from being the first person arrested for refusing to
43 give up her seat on a Montgomery bus in 1955; and

44 WHEREAS, currently, Representative Ensler serves as
45 Executive Director of the Jewish Federation of Central
46 Alabama, where he develops, implements, and oversees
47 finances, programming, and fundraising; he also leads
48 efforts to combat anti-semitism and build multi-faith
49 coalitions to combat racism and foster acceptance of all
50 people; and

51 WHEREAS, throughout his service in the Alabama
52 Legislature, Representative Ensler has been an advocate for
53 members of the community and has served on the Commerce and
54 Small Business Committee, Financial Services Committee,
55 Insurance Committee, Local Legislation Committee, and the
56 Montgomery County Legislation Committee; and



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57 WHEREAS, Representative Ensler has been instrumental
58 in advancing policies that have made a significant impact in
59 the lives of Alabamians, including his work on gun violence
60 prevention through the glock switch ban and securing \$2.5
61 million in funding for mental health in public schools in
62 the 2026 Education Trust Fund budget; and

63 WHEREAS, Representative Ensler is widely admired for
64 his involvement in the community and is seen as an asset to
65 the Democratic party; his work has consistently transcended
66 partisan lines, focusing on the human element of policy,
67 from ensuring students have resources to succeed to ensuring
68 families feel safe in their homes; and

69 WHEREAS, Representative Phillip Ensler has served the
70 people of District 74 with a profound sense of duty,
71 informed by a life dedicated to social justice, education,
72 and the rule of law; now therefore,

73 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
74 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Representative Phillip
75 Ensler is highly honored and commended for his outstanding
76 record of service to the people of House District 74 and the
77 State of Alabama and for his invaluable contributions over
78 the past four years.



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Speaker of the House of Representatives

President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

House of Representatives

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
and was passed by the House 31-Mar-26.

John Treadwell
Clerk

Senate

09-Apr-26

Adopted