

**SB40 ENROLLED**



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2 TBW3L11-2  
3 By Senators Givhan, Elliott, Kelley, Butler, Stutts, Roberts,  
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5 RFD: State Governmental Affairs  
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1 Enrolled, An Act,

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4 Relating to the Contract Review Permanent Legislative  
5 Oversight Committee; to amend Section 29-2-41, Code of Alabama  
6 1975, to provide that the committee may recommend that the  
7 Governor not sign a contract under review by the committee;  
8 and to make nonsubstantive, technical revisions to update the  
9 existing code language to current style.

10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

11 Section 1. Section 29-2-41, Code of Alabama 1975, is  
12 amended to read as follows:

13 "§29-2-41

14 (a) Each member of the committee shall be entitled to  
15 regular legislative compensation, per diem, and travel  
16 expenses for each day he or she attends a meeting of the  
17 committee, which shall be paid out of the funds appropriated  
18 to the use of the Legislature, on warrants drawn on the ~~state~~  
19 Comptroller upon requisition signed by the committee's chair.  
20 Members shall not receive additional compensation or per diem  
21 when the Legislature is in session. The Department of  
22 Examiners of Public Accounts shall furnish assistance and any  
23 relevant information to the committee.

24 (b) (1) The committee shall have the responsibility of  
25 reviewing contracts for personal or professional services with  
26 private entities or individuals to be paid out of appropriated  
27 funds, federal or state, on a state warrant issued as  
28 recompense for those services.



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29           (2) Each state department entering into a contract to  
30 be paid out of appropriated funds, federal or state, on a  
31 state warrant which is notified by the committee, shall submit  
32 to the committee any proposed contract for personal or  
33 professional services. Each contract shall be accompanied by  
34 an itemization of the total cost estimate of the contract.

35           (c) A department, in lieu of the proposed contract, may  
36 submit to the committee a letter of intent to contract. A  
37 letter of intent to contract shall indicate the contracting  
38 parties, the services to be performed, an itemization of the  
39 total cost estimate of the contract, and such other  
40 information as the department may deem pertinent to the  
41 committee review of the contract. If a department elects to  
42 submit a letter of intent to contract in lieu of a proposed  
43 contract, the department shall be required to submit to the  
44 committee for its information the contract described in the  
45 letter of intent upon the execution of the contract.

46           (d) The committee shall hold a hearing to review and  
47 comment where necessary on any contract or letter of intent to  
48 contract, including a recommendation that the Governor not  
49 sign a contract, within a reasonable time not to exceed 45  
50 days after a department has submitted the contract or letter  
51 of intent to contract to the committee. If the committee fails  
52 to hold a hearing to review a contract or letter of intent to  
53 contract within the 45-day time period, the contract shall be  
54 deemed to have been reviewed in compliance with this section.  
55 The committee may hold a contract considered at a meeting for  
56 up to 45 days following the meeting to review and comment on



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57 the contract.

58 (e) Any contract made by the state or any of its  
59 agencies or departments in violation of this section and  
60 without prior review by the committee of either the contract  
61 or the letter of intent to contract shall be void ab initio.

62 (f) The committee may issue subpoenas for any witnesses  
63 and require the production of any documents or contracts the  
64 committee deems necessary to examine in order to conduct its  
65 duties.

66 (g) The committee shall organize itself at the first  
67 meeting following a new quadrennium and elect from among its  
68 membership a chair and a ~~vice-chair~~ vice chair. Any committee  
69 member reelected to a new quadrennium shall continue to serve  
70 on the committee until such time the committee reorganizes  
71 itself.

72 (h) The committee shall hold regular meetings at least  
73 once each month, the regular meetings to be held during the  
74 first week of each month."

75 Section 2. This act shall become effective on October  
76 1, 2026.



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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Senate 05-Feb-26

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and passed the Senate.

Patrick Harris,  
Secretary.

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House of Representatives

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By: Senator Givhan