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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 violations.

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 for violations.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. (a) For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

(1) LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER. As defined in Section 36-21-40, Code of Alabama 1975.

(2) TASER. 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 an individual.



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29 (b) Notwithstanding Section 13A-3-27, Code of Alabama
30 1975, it shall be unlawful for a law enforcement officer to
31 use a taser on an individual who is restrained or otherwise
32 unable to resist, including when an individual has been placed
33 in handcuffs, body cuffs, or any other restraining device.

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

35 Section 2. This act shall become effective on October
36 1, 2026.