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4 RFD: Fiscal Responsibility and Economic Development

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4 SYNOPSIS:

5 The State Pilotage Commission was established by
6 law in 1931 to regulate the piloting of ships and all
7 steam or sail vessels crossing into and out of any
8 harbor or seaport in this state. These laws set
9 requirements for the apprenticeship and licensing of
10 bar pilots in this state.

11 In 2019, the Legislature enacted laws
12 establishing a board of pilotage commissioners for each
13 Class 2 municipality, also by the name of the State
14 Pilotage Commission, along with requirements for the
15 apprenticeship and licensing of bar pilots.

16 This bill would repeal the laws establishing the
17 State Pilotage Commission and requirements for bar
18 pilots.

19 However, this bill would not repeal the laws
20 providing for a State Pilotage Commission in Class 2
21 municipalities.

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25 A BILL

26 TO BE ENTITLED

27 AN ACT

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29 Relating to the State Pilotage Commission and bar
30 pilots; to repeal Article 1 of Chapter 4 of Title 33,
31 consisting of Sections 33-4-1 through 33-4-14, Code of Alabama
32 1975, establishing the State Pilotage Commission; and to
33 repeal Article 2 of Chapter 4 of Title 33, consisting of
34 Sections 33-4-30 through 33-4-57, Code of Alabama 1975,
35 establishing requirements for bar pilots in this state.

36 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

37 Section 1. Article 1 of Chapter 4 of Title 33,
38 consisting of Sections 33-4-1 through 33-4-14, Code of Alabama
39 1975, establishing the State Pilotage Commission, and Article
40 2 of Chapter 4 of Title 33, consisting of Sections 33-4-30
41 through 33-4-57, Code of Alabama 1975, establishing
42 requirements for bar pilots in this state, are repealed.

43 Section 2. This act shall become effective on June 1,
44 2026.