

1 HB77  
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3 By Representative Blackshear  
4 RFD: Boards, Agencies and Commissions  
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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, the Alabama Local  
9 Government Training Institute is a separate entity  
10 established to provide training and education for  
11 members of county commissions. The board of the  
12 institute is composed of nine members.

13 This bill would provide for two additional  
14 members on the board of the institute to be  
15 appointed by the Board of Directors of the  
16 Association of County Commissioners of Alabama. The  
17 bill would specify that a quorum of the board would  
18 be five members.

19 This bill would also authorize the board to  
20 award certification to county employees and  
21 programs meeting criteria established by the board  
22 or state agencies.

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24 A BILL  
25 TO BE ENTITLED  
26 AN ACT  
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1           To amend Section 11-3-45, Code of Alabama 1975, to  
2           increase the membership of the board of the Alabama Local  
3           Government Training Institute to be appointed by the Board of  
4           Directors of the Association of County Commissions of Alabama;  
5           to provide for a quorum of the board; and to authorize the  
6           board to award certification to county employees and programs  
7           meeting criteria established by the board or state agencies.  
8           BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

9           Section 1. Section 11-3-45, Code of Alabama 1975, is  
10          amended to read as follows:

11           "§11-3-45.

12           "(a) The institute shall be under the direction and  
13          supervision of the Board of the Alabama Local Government  
14          Training Institute. The board shall have the power and duty to  
15          organize, administer, control, oversee, and advise the  
16          institute so that the institute shall be operated pursuant to  
17          this article.

18           "(b) The board shall be composed of ~~nine~~ the  
19          following members ~~as follows~~:

20           "(1) One representative of a four-year institution  
21          of higher education in Alabama appointed by the Alabama  
22          Commission on Higher Education.

23           "(2) The President of the Association of County  
24          Commissions of Alabama.

25           "(3) The Executive Director of the Association of  
26          County Commissions of Alabama.

1                   "(4) ~~One member~~ Three members who shall serve at the  
2 pleasure of and be appointed by the Board of Directors of the  
3 Association of County Commissions of Alabama.

4                   "(5) The Chair of the Senate Governmental Affairs  
5 Committee.

6                   "(6) The Chair of the Local Government Committee of  
7 the House of Representatives.

8                   "(7) One member appointed by the Governor.

9                   "(8) One member appointed by the Lieutenant  
10 Governor.

11                   "(9) One member appointed by the Speaker of the  
12 House of Representatives.

13                   "(c) Members of the board appointed by the Governor,  
14 Lieutenant Governor, and Speaker of the House of  
15 Representatives shall be county commissioners who shall serve  
16 for four-year terms.

17                   "(d) The board shall annually elect a chair and  
18 other officers deemed expedient. The officers shall serve at  
19 the pleasure of the board and shall have the duties and powers  
20 determined by the board.

21                   "(e) The board may accept appropriations, grants,  
22 gifts, donations, or contributions from the federal government  
23 and the state government; a county, municipal, or local  
24 government; a board, bureau, commission, agency, or  
25 establishment of any such government; another organization,  
26 firm, or corporation, public or private; and an individual or  
27 groups of individuals in furtherance of the services,

1 purposes, duties, responsibilities, or functions vested in the  
2 board and college.

3 "(f) The board shall make contracts, leases, or  
4 agreements necessary and convenient to carry out the duties  
5 and purposes for which the board is created. The board shall  
6 enter into contracts, leases, or agreements with a person,  
7 firm, or corporation, public or private, upon terms and for  
8 purposes deemed advisable.

9 "(g) The board shall provide advanced or continuing  
10 training and education to county commissioners through the  
11 institute in addition to that required by Section 11-3-43.  
12 Public funds may be expended for the advanced or continuing  
13 training and education in the same manner as the required  
14 training and education, but a county commissioner's enrollment  
15 in, attendance at, or completion of an advanced course of  
16 study shall be voluntary and shall not be required.

17 "(h) The board shall provide for the grant of  
18 awards, degrees, diplomas, or other forms of recognition for  
19 successful completion of its programs as it deems proper. The  
20 board may also award certification to county employees and  
21 programs meeting the criteria established by the board or by  
22 state agencies.

23 "(i) The board shall receive no additional  
24 compensation for their service pursuant to this article.

25 "(j) Five members of the board shall constitute a  
26 quorum for the purpose of transacting business."

1                   Section 2. This act shall become effective  
2 immediately following its passage and approval by the  
3 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.