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3 By Senators Figures and Bussman
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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, the membership of the
9 Alabama Historical Commission is composed of
10 various elected public officials and appointed
11 individuals.

12 This bill would alter the composition of the
13 Alabama Historical Commission to include an
14 appointee from the Alabama Black Heritage Council.

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16 A BILL
17 TO BE ENTITLED
18 AN ACT

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20 To amend Section 41-9-243 of the Code of Alabama
21 1975, relating to the Alabama Historical Commission to include
22 an appointee from the Alabama Black Heritage Council.

23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

24 Section 1. Section 41-9-243 of the Code of Alabama
25 1975, is amended to read as follows:

26 "§41-9-243.

1 "The commission shall consist of ~~20~~ 21 members, one
2 of whom shall be the Governor, one of whom shall be the
3 Lieutenant Governor, one of whom shall be the Speaker of the
4 House of Representatives, one of whom shall be the Director of
5 the Department of Archives and History, one of whom shall be
6 the Director of the Alabama Tourism Department, one of whom
7 shall be the Commissioner of Conservation and Natural
8 Resources, one of whom shall be the Director of the Technical
9 Staff of the Alabama Building Commission, and ~~13~~ 14 other
10 persons to be appointed by the Governor, one of whom shall be
11 selected from a list of three nominees submitted by the
12 Alabama Council of the American Institute of Architects, one
13 from a list of three nominees submitted by the Alabama
14 Historical Association, one from a list of three nominees
15 submitted by the Alabama State Chamber of Commerce, one from a
16 list of three nominees submitted by the Alabama Farmers
17 Federation, one from a list of three nominees submitted by the
18 President of the University of Alabama, one from a list of
19 three nominees submitted by the President of Auburn
20 University, one from a list of three nominees submitted by the
21 President of the University of South Alabama, one from a list
22 of three nominees submitted by the President of Troy
23 University, one from a list of three nominees submitted by the
24 President of the University of Montevallo, one from a list of
25 three qualified archaeologists nominated by the Alabama
26 Archaeological Society, one from a list of three nominees
27 submitted by the Alabama Black Heritage Council, and three

1 from the state at-large. The membership of the commission
2 shall be inclusive and reflect the racial, gender, geographic,
3 urban/rural, and economic diversity of the state.

4 "The nominees and appointees shall be persons who
5 have demonstrated interest in and concern about the
6 preservation of this state's rich history and traditions and
7 who are conversant with the history of the state and who are
8 qualified to direct and supervise the work of the commission.

9 "The members appointed by the Governor shall be
10 citizens of this state and shall serve for terms of six years
11 each; except, that the terms of the members of the first
12 commission shall be three years for one half of the members
13 appointed by the Governor and six years for the remaining
14 members. After the expiration of the term of the initial
15 members, all members appointed by the Governor shall be
16 appointed for terms of six years each.

17 "Any member of the commission may be removed by the
18 Governor for cause, and vacancies in the commission shall be
19 filled by the Governor by the appointment of a competent and
20 qualified person for the unexpired term, from a list of three
21 nominees submitted to him or her by the organization which
22 originally nominated the member being replaced.

23 "The Chair of the Restructured Historic
24 Chattahoochee Commission shall serve as an ex officio policy
25 making member of the commission."

1 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the
2 first day of the third month following its passage and
3 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.