

2017 ALABAMA COUNTY PLATFORM

ACCA Legislative Review Task Force Meeting Recommendations

- A. Support legislation to clarify the official who may approve a settlement of lawsuits challenging the appraised value of property for ad valorem purposes.

*Legislative Committee Recommendation: Include as a **Strategic Goal** to the 2017 County Platform under Foundation Principle -- County Operations and Budget Authority*

- B. Continue efforts to reform the current process for amending local laws.

*Legislative Committee Recommendation: Retain as a **Strategic Goal** to the 2017 County Platform under Foundation Principle -- Alabama Governmental Structure*

- C. Support revisions to Board of Registrars appointments by providing that:

- a. Registrars must work at least 4 hours per day;
- b. Those appointed must meet standards for appointment corresponding to the state job classification that most closely aligns with the Registrars duties;
- c. An official or commission at the local or state level be authorized to supervise the daily operation of the Registrar office; and
- d. The Registrars be required to utilize the state system for clocking in and out during work hours.

*Legislative Committee Recommendation: Include as a **Strategic Goal** to the 2017 County Platform under Foundation Principle -- Election Administration*

- D. Support legislation to clarify that the County Commission is not liable for the improper expenditures of funds authorized by law to be expended at the "sole discretion" of a particular elected official.

*Legislative Committee Recommendation: Include as a **Policy Statement** to the 2017 County Platform under Foundation Principle -- Justice and Public Safety*

- E. Support a requirement that the Forever Wild Board make annual payments from its Stewardship Account in an amount equal to the ad valorem taxes lost by the purchase of lands previously held by private ownership.

*Legislative Committee Recommendation: Include as a **Policy Statement** to the 2017 County Platform under Foundation Principle -- Environment, Land Use and Public Works*

- F. Support authorizing the county tax official to withhold any legally-established debts owed to the County Commission from the proceeds of ad valorem taxes.

*Legislative Committee Recommendation: Include as a **Policy Statement** to the 2017 County Platform under Foundation Principle -- Revenue Protection*

- G. Support amending the statute regarding Board of Control appointments to the Retirement Systems of Alabama to more closely reflect the employing agencies of the participating members of the system.

*Legislative Committee Recommendation: Include as a **Strategic Goal** to the 2017 County Platform under Foundation Principle -- County Expenditures for Compensation and Benefits*