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FINAL REPORT

2025 Regular Session Edition



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Commissions *of* Alabama

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9 911 Directors

E Engineers

M Emergency Managers

P Probate Judges

R Revenue Officers

S Sheriffs

T Tax Officials

\$ Reimbursement-Eligible

Ala. Code § 11-13-6 requires municipalities to reimburse County Commissions for the cost of local bill advertising under certain circumstances. Additionally, if a local bill becomes law that raises revenue for a public or private local entity other than the County Commission, Ala. Code § 11-13-6 requires the entity to use the first revenues generated to reimburse the County Commission for the advertising costs. This symbol denotes the local bills eligible for advertising reimbursement pursuant to this authority.

****All County Commission Members & Administrators
are encouraged to read the Final Report in its entirety.***

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INTRODUCTION

Members of the Alabama County Family,

The 2025 Regular Session of the Alabama Legislature concluded May 14, which means the deadline has now passed for Gov. Kay Ivey to act on legislation passed during the final days of the session. This means any bills that did not receive her signature will not become law this year.

The ACCA staff is proud to announce that due to the hard work of the Alabama County Family, **a total of 10 priority bills were passed during the 2025 Session.**

The Association's final legislative report outlines these priorities, as well as every other new statewide or local law impacting county government in some form. Many of the laws outlined below will be the subject of discussion during the ACCA Annual Convention in August. In other cases, the Association staff will provide details on implementation procedures in the coming weeks. **County officials and employees with questions about the contents of this report are encouraged to contact the ACCA office at (334) 263-7594.**

The final legislative report of the 2025 Regular Session is divided into the following sections:

> Priority Statewide Bills Signed into Law

> Other Statewide Bills Signed into Law

- Governmental Structure & County Operations
- Revenue & Budgets
- Employee Compensation & Benefits
- Economic Development
- Election Administration
- Prisons & County Jails
- Justice & Public Safety
- Environment, Land Use & Public Works
- Rural Transportation

> Local Bills Signed into Law

Yet again, this year's report includes a navigation key to help direct county leaders to the new laws that might be of particular interest to them, based on their affiliate organization membership and broader role in county government. However, everyone is encouraged to review this report in its entirety because each new law has some sort of impact on local government operations.

The Association staff would like to extend a tremendous thank you to all county officials, employees and affiliate organization members who participated in this year's legislative advocacy efforts.

With much gratitude and respect,

Your Association Staff

PRIORITY STATEWIDE BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

Accountability for Boards of Registrars

Act 2025-22 by Sen. Bobby Singleton & Rep. Debbie Wood **P**

The act imposes qualifications for serving as a registrar and requires the Governor, Auditor, and Commissioner of Agriculture and Industries to consider the racial, gender, urban, rural, and economic diversity of each county when making new appointments. The act also increases registrars' state-funded salaries from \$80 per day to \$115 per day, in addition to clarifying that registrars are not county employees. Lastly, the act requires each county's board of registrars to establish regular hours and have a registrar or staff member present during those hours of operation.

Effective October 1, 2025.

New Name for Commissioner Training Program

Act 2025-49 by Sen. Tom Butler & Rep. Debbie Wood

This act renames the Alabama Local Government Training Institute as the "Buddy Sharpless Education Institute" in memory of O.H. "Buddy" Sharpless III, who served as Executive Director of the Association of County Commissions of Alabama from 1974 to 2009. Effective October 1, 2025.

Statewide Prohibition of Glock Switches

Act 2025-54 by Sen. Will Barfoot & Rep. Phillip Ensler **S**

This act makes it a Class C felony to possess, sell or use a Glock switch. Prior to the enactment of this law, there was no state-level prohibition on these devices, leaving local and state law enforcement with few options other than to refer Glock switch encounters to federal authorities. Effective March 19, 2025.

Liability Protection for Community Emergency Response

Act 2025-63 by Sen. Bobby Singleton & Rep. Russell Bedsole **M**

This act amends the liability protection available to community emergency response team members to more accurately reflect how these teams are organized and trained. Effective October 1, 2025.

Modernization of County Mutual Aid Authority

Act 2025-206 by Rep. Allen Treadaway & Sen. Andrew Jones **M**

This act updates and aligns Alabama law with present-day emergency management operations and allows the local governing body for an emergency management organization to develop mutual aid agreements with other public or private agencies in Alabama for reciprocal aid and assistance. Effective October 1, 2025.

Formal Process for Sales Tax Exemptions

Act 2025-280 by Rep. Alan Baker & Sen. Arthur Orr **R**

This act establishes a process by which County Commissions may opt in to applying state sales and use tax exemptions to county sales and use taxes. The act also requires the Alabama Department of Revenue to maintain a publicly accessible listing of adopted local sales and use tax exemptions. Effective May 6, 2025.

PRIORITY BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

Consistency for Statements of Economic Interests

Act 2025-282 by Rep. Kerry Underwood & Sen. Linda Coleman-Madison **P S T**

This act changes the deadlines for candidates seeking public office to file their statement of economic interests with the Alabama Ethics Commission. Candidates affiliated with a party must file no more than 5 days after the deadline to file a statement of candidacy. Independent candidates must file no more than 5 days after the first primary election. Candidates who have filed for another reason other than their candidacy must provide proof of the prior submission or file a new or amended statement by the applicable deadline. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Representation on Local Mental Health Boards

Act 2025-366 by Sen. Will Barfoot & Rep. Russell Bedsole **P S**

For any regional mental health authority or “310 board” with an executive committee, this act requires that at least one Probate Judge and at least one Sheriff (or his or her representative) serve on the executive committee, with these officials to be added to the executive committee at the expiration of the next terms of executive committee members. The act also provides for appointments to the 310 board be reflective of the diversity of the area served and filled by individuals with demonstrated expertise or concern for local mental health programs and services. Lastly, the act allows 310 board members to virtually participate in an in-person meeting in accordance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Voluntary Coordination on 911 Services

Act 2025-373 by Rep. Ed Oliver & Sen. Jay Hovey **9**

This act provides a process by which 911 districts may enter into contracts with one another to coordinate services to the public while ensuring the governing boards of existing 911 districts remain intact. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Delivery of 911 Cost Recovery Funds

Act 2025-376 by Rep. Ed Oliver & Sen. Lance Bell **9**

This act modernizes how State-collected 911 cost recovery funds may be allocated and used to better reflect today’s technology and the local needs of 911 districts. Under the act, the State 911 Board will annually establish how these funds will be returned to local 911 districts. **Effective October 1, 2025.**



OTHER STATEWIDE BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— GOVERNMENTAL STRUCTURE & COUNTY OPERATIONS —

Act 2025-3 by Sen. April Weaver **P S**

This act defines certain sex-based terms in the Code of Alabama. Notably for county governments, the act requires any political subdivision that collects statistics related to sex to identify the subject of such data as either male or female. The act also provides that political subdivisions shall not be prohibited from establishing separate single-sex spaces when biology, privacy, safety or fairness are implicated. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-120 by Sen. Josh Carnley **P R S T**

This act allows Alabama vehicle owners to apply for a salvage certificate of title if their vehicle is declared a loss in any state. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-201 by Rep. Kerry Underwood **M S**

This act makes it a Class C felony for a sex offender or juvenile sex offender to knowingly accept or maintain employment or a volunteer position as a first responder. For the purposes of this act, “first responder” consists of paramedics, firefighters, rescue squad members, emergency medical technicians, or anyone else who, in the course of his or her professional duties, responds to fire, medical, hazardous material or other similar emergencies. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-341 by Rep. Frances Holk-Jones **M**

This act makes it unlawful to impose unconscionable prices for providing services during a declared state of emergency for any time periods and in any affected areas specified in a proclamation by the Governor or a joint resolution of the Alabama Legislature. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-388 by Sen. Rodger Smitherman **S**

This act allows the Alabama Bureau of Pardons and Paroles to issue a “certificate of employability” to certain convicted individuals and provides some immunity to employers who hire them. The act also prohibits certain occupational licensing boards from automatically disqualifying individuals with convictions unrelated to the license being sought. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-405 by Sen. Rodger Smitherman **R**

This act establishes several new licenses, namely an “event storage license” and a “government venue license,” to be administered and enforced by the Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control Board. **Effective July 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-413 by Sen. Bobby Singleton **R**

This act establishes an “educational tourism distillery license” to be administered and enforced by the Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control Board. The act also levies a tax on liquor manufactured by a licensee. **Effective October 1, 2025.**



OTHER STATEWIDE BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— REVENUE & BUDGETS —

Act 2025-35 by Sen. Wes Kitchens

This act requires the procurement of any supplies, services or professional services by a volunteer fire department or rescue squad to be solely governed by the competitive bid law that County Commissions follow. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-123 by Sen. Tim Melson **P** **R**

This act provides that any refined gold or silver bullion, specie, or coin that has been stamped, marked, or imprinted with its weight and purity shall be recognized as legal tender in Alabama but provides that no person shall be required to offer or accept such forms of legal tender. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-171 by Sen. Arthur Orr

Beginning January 1, 2028, this act requires certain public restrooms that are accessible to both men and women in public buildings to contain powered, height-adjustable, adult-size changing tables. The act only applies to new construction restrooms and totally renovated restrooms for which a permit has been obtained, the cost of renovation is at least \$500,000, and all nonstructural interior walls, floor and ceiling finishes, mechanical systems, electrical systems, and plumbing fixtures, and supply and waste lines have been removed. The act also provides for exemptions from these requirements, as well as a grant program. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-240 by Rep. Brock Colvin **R**

From September 1, 2025, through August 31, 2030, this act exempts from state sales and use taxes the gross receipts for the sale of certain aircraft and aircraft parts. The act also exempts from the state lease or rental tax the gross receipts for the lease of certain aircraft parts. These exemptions do not apply to county taxes unless approved by resolution of the County Commission. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-304 by Rep. Neil Rafferty **R**

From September 1, 2025, through August 31, 2028, this act exempts from state sales and use taxes the gross receipts for the sale of baby formula, baby bottles, baby wipes, breast milk pumping equipment, breast pumps, diapers, maternity clothing, and menstrual hygiene products for personal use. The exemption does not apply to county sales and use taxes unless approved by resolution of the County Commission. **Effective September 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-305 by Rep. Danny Garrett **R**

This act reduces the state sales tax on “food,” as defined in the act, from 3 percent to 2 percent starting September 1, 2025. The act also eliminates certain restrictions on when and how a county or municipal governing body may reduce the local sales and use tax rate on food. A reduction in the county sales tax rate on food will not occur unless approved by resolution of the County Commission. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

OTHER STATEWIDE BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— REVENUE & BUDGETS —

Act 2025-309 by Rep. Joe Lovvorn **R**

This act requires the Alabama Department of Revenue, by rule, to periodically use the Consumer Price Index to adjust the dollar amounts found in the laws governing the Back-to-School and Severe Weather Preparedness sales tax holidays. Additionally, the act changes the deadlines for counties to opt in to these sales tax holidays. For the Back-to-School Sales Tax Holiday, the new deadline is at least 90 days prior to the third full weekend in July; for the Severe Weather Preparedness Sales Tax Holiday, the new deadline is at least 90 days prior to the last full weekend in February. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-328 by Rep. Phillip Pettus

This act requires the procurement of any supplies, services, or professional services by a volunteer fire department or rescue squad to be solely governed by the competitive bid law that County Commissions follow. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-329 by Rep. Cynthia Almond **R**

This act adds the Alabama School of Healthcare Sciences Foundation to the list of school foundations exempt from state, county, and municipal sales and use taxes. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-339 by Rep. Adline Clarke **P R**

This act expands the powers of municipal housing authorities and, most notably, authorizes the County Commission to exempt these municipal housing authorities, by resolution, from county taxes – including deed, mortgage, license and excise taxes. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-343 by Rep. Chris Sells **R T**

This act extends the timeframe to 60 days for taxpayers to appeal a tax assessment to the Alabama Tax Tribunal or to circuit court. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-344 by Rep. Chip Brown **T**

This act increases the market value amount of tangible business personal property exempt from State-levied ad valorem taxes, allowing the first \$100,000 (previously \$40,000) to be exempt. The exemption does not apply to county ad valorem taxes unless adopted by resolution of the County Commission at least 90 days prior to October 1 of the electing year. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-375 by Rep. David Faulkner **P R S T**

This act authorizes certain municipalities to establish a regional authority for constructing, maintaining and operating a law enforcement training facility. The act establishes exemptions from all state taxes but requires any exemptions from county taxes be approved by resolution of the County Commission. The act also allows the County Commission, by resolution, to exempt an authority from the payment of any fees, taxes or costs to the Probate Judge in respect to an authority's incorporation, the amendment of its certificate of incorporation or the recording of any document. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

OTHER STATEWIDE BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— REVENUE & BUDGETS —

Act 2025-377 by Rep. David Faulkner **R**

Beginning October 1, 2026, this act levies a statewide excise tax on consumable vapor products, with 50 percent of the proceeds distributed to the State General Fund, 25 percent distributed to municipalities based on population, and 25 percent distributed to counties based on population. The act provides that no county that levies a local tax on the sale of consumable vapor products may receive a distribution of the aforementioned proceeds. Local levies passed or enacted on or before October 1, 2025, will remain operative, but no additional local tax may be levied on the sale of consumable vapor products after that date, unless done by local constitutional amendment. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-383 by Rep. Chris Pringle **E**

This act requires the Alabama Department of Finance to establish and maintain a centralized website or digital platform to publish public works advertisements; establishes a “safe harbor” for awarding authorities that publish their public works advertisements on the Department’s website, in addition to submitting them to the newspaper; retains the County Commission’s ability to publish advertisements in accordance with the Rebuild Alabama Act’s procedures; and establishes the Study Commission on Public Notice of Title 39 Advertisements, whose membership includes a representative of county government. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-385 by Rep. Andy Whitt **R**

This act imposes regulations on Alabama’s hemp industry and provides for these regulations to be administered and enforced by the Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Board. The act also levies a 10 percent excise tax on the retail sales price of consumable hemp products, with 90 percent of proceeds to be distributed to the State General Fund and 10 percent to the municipality (if sold within corporate limits) or county (if sold in an unincorporated area) for enforcement purposes. Lastly, the act provides that the ABC Board may not issue a retailer license to a facility unless the governing body of the county or municipality in which the facility will be located has approved the application for licensure. **Effective July 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-392 by Sen. David Sessions **T**

This act amends the membership of the Alabama Ad Valorem Advisory Committee to add two taxpayers who are appointed by the Commissioner of the Alabama Department of Revenue, have paid taxes in Alabama for at least five years and have paid all tax liabilities. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-408 by Sen. Clyde Chambliss **R**

This act requires each county with a business privilege tax or business license tax to file an annual fiscal year report by March 30 with the Alabama Department of Revenue. The act also provides for a taxpayer to appeal any county business license tax or business privilege tax determination to the Alabama Tax Tribunal. Lastly, the act requires counties to notify the Department of Revenue if a private entity is contracted to collect business privilege taxes or business license taxes on the county’s behalf and requires the contracted entity, when sending any written communication to a business owing taxes, to include an official notice from the county of the entity’s authority to collect the county’s taxes. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

OTHER STATEWIDE BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— REVENUE & BUDGETS —

Act 2025-430 by Rep. Adline Clarke **R**

This act expands the powers of county housing authorities while stating that no County Commission is responsible for a county housing authority's financial obligations and no County Commission or its members or employees shall be liable for the actions or inactions of a county housing authority. In addition to providing exemptions from state taxes, this act authorizes the County Commission, by resolution, to exempt a county housing authority from county-levied taxes or from any fees, taxes or costs imposed by a Probate Judge. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-445 by Rep. Chip Brown **P R T**

This act increases the fee for a seafood dealer license and requires the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to annually remit \$200 per fee to the nonprofit corporation Sweet Grown Alabama for promotion of the state's seafood products. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-448 by Rep. Rolanda Hollis **R**

For counties with a local tobacco tax, this act levies an additional county license or privilege tax on heated tobacco products and cigarettes intended to be heated and provides for the tax be paid to the county in which the products were sold to the purchaser. **Effective November 1, 2025.**



OTHER STATEWIDE BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION & BENEFITS —

Act 2025-119 by Sen. Arthur Orr

This act provides for the establishment of portable benefit accounts for independent contractors and creates income tax deductions for hiring parties and qualifying independent contractors that contribute to portable benefit accounts.

Effective December 31, 2025.

Act 2025-136 by Sen. Billy Beasley

This act imposes new regulations on pharmacy benefits managers and provides a minimum reimbursement amount for independent pharmacies.

Effective April 15, 2025, except for Section 3 of the act, which will become effective October 1, 2025.

Act 2025-303 by Rep. Rick Rehm

This act declares Juneteenth, which takes place on June 19 of each year, a state holiday. Effective June 1, 2025.

Act 2025-367 by Sen. Tim Melson **S**

This act establishes the crime of aggravated theft of employee retirement benefits. Effective October 1, 2025.

Act 2025-384 by Rep. Jim Hill **P S**

Beginning with the next term of office following October 1, 2025, this act provides that the compensation of any elected official whose compensation is “tied” by local law to a circuit or district judge’s salary shall be calculated using the “base amount” provided by statute for that judge. The act requires that any adjustment based on service or longevity be based on the elected official’s own time in office. Lastly, the act ratifies and confirms certain compensation paid between October 1, 2021, and the official’s next term of office. Effective October 1, 2025.

Act 2025-401 by Rep. Ginny Shaver

This act provides that a person who independently qualifies for the supernumerary district attorney program and the Employees’ Retirement System based on separate years of service may participate in both programs.

Effective July 1, 2025.

Act 2025-409 by Sen. Clyde Chambliss **S**

This act allows certain APOST-certified Employees’ Retirement System and Teachers’ Retirement System retirees to work as school resource officers or university police officers for up to \$52,000 per year without suspension of their retirement allowances. The act also allows Employees’ Retirement System retirees with certain firefighting credentials to work as firemedics for up to \$52,000 per year without suspension of their retirement allowances.

Effective June 1, 2025, and scheduled to sunset December 31, 2030.

OTHER STATEWIDE BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION & BENEFITS —

Act 2025-324 by Rep. Paul Lee **P S T**

This act amends the Omnibus Pay Act to provide that the base compensation for any local official elected or appointed after July 1, 2025, shall be the compensation of the immediately prior officeholder, including any uniform increases received by the prior officeholder, and the new official shall continue to be entitled to receive uniform increases as provided under Omnibus. The act also provides for a local official who receives an increase in compensation by local law to remain entitled to uniform increases under Omnibus, unless otherwise provided by local law. **Effective July 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-334 by Rep. Danny Garrett **M**

This act exempts from state income tax certain non-resident remote workers who work in Alabama 30 days or fewer per calendar year. Additionally, the act exempts from taxation the wages or salary paid to a non-resident who is in Alabama on a temporary basis for the purpose of performing disaster- or emergency-related work in response to a declaration by the U.S. President or the Governor. **Effective October 1, 2025, for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2026.**



OTHER STATEWIDE BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT —

Act 2025-84 by Rep. Andy Whitt **T**

This act unabates a portion of the abated amounts of the state's noneducational ad valorem tax and the state's construction-related transaction tax. The tax revenue will be deposited into the Alabama Development Fund and used by the Alabama Department of Commerce for economic development purposes. **Effective June 1, 2026.**

Act 2025-323 by Rep. Reed Ingram

This act authorizes local redevelopment authorities to require a payment in lieu of tax for transient occupancy taxes. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-404 by Rep. Terri Collins

This act establishes the Rural Hospital Investment Program to provide financial assistance to eligible rural general acute care, critical access and emergency hospitals. To receive qualified donations from the state board, the act requires a health care institution to meet certain criteria – including receiving from a local governing board a match that is greater than or equal to 10 percent of the state assistance, with no more than 5 percent from the local governing body counted as in-kind contributions. **Effective May 14, 2025.**



OTHER STATEWIDE BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— ELECTION ADMINISTRATION —

Act 2025-283 by Rep. Jim Carns **P**

This act changes the date of the primary election in off-presidential election years to the Tuesday in May preceding Memorial Day. **Effective May 6, 2025.**

Act 2025-307 by Sen. Will Barfoot **P**

This act prohibits foreign national driver licenses from being used as a form of voter ID. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-397 by Sen. Lance Bell **P**

This act prohibits the use of a hunting and fishing license issued by the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources as a form of government-issued identification for other purposes. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-424 by Sen. Wes Kitchens **P**

This act requires the Alabama Secretary of State to oversee state voter registration list maintenance programs and provides for these programs to be referred to as the Alabama Voter Integrity Database. The act also requires Boards of Registrars to conduct regular voter list maintenance activities as directed by the Secretary of State.

Effective May 19, 2025.



OTHER STATEWIDE BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— PRISONS & COUNTY JAILS —

Act 2025-227 by Sen. Will Barfoot **S**

This proposed constitutional amendment would amend Aniah's Law to allow judges to deny bail for individuals charged with shooting or discharging a firearm into an occupied dwelling or other occupied space or charged with any solicitation, attempt or conspiracy to commit murder. **Effective upon voter approval during the 2026 primary election.**

Act 2025-273 by Sen. Will Barfoot **S**

This act revises the categories of people prohibited from possessing a firearm and provides for the revocation of probation or parole upon possession of a firearm. Additionally, the act raises the criminal penalty for shooting into an occupied dwelling or other occupied space. If Act 2025-227 is ratified, Act 2025-273 will also authorize courts to deny bail to defendants charged with solicitation, attempt, or conspiracy to commit murder or charged with shooting a firearm into an occupied dwelling or other occupied space. **Effective October 1, 2025, except for the provisions pertaining to Act 2025-227, which will become effective upon voter approval during the 2026 primary election.**

Act 2025-381 by Rep. Jim Hill **S**

This act amends the statute on split sentences to provide that when a defendant is convicted of a Class A, B or C felony and the imposed sentence is greater than 20 years but not more than 30 years, the convicted defendant should be confined for a minimum period of 10 years, with the remainder of the sentence suspended. The act specifically states that the minimum period of confinement may not be served in a county jail. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-422 by Rep. Travis Hendrix **S**

This act authorizes the Alabama Board of Pardons and Paroles or any other state agency to electronically monitor an alleged delinquent child when the alleged delinquent act, if committed by an adult, would be classified as a Class A, B or C felony in which a dangerous instrument or deadly weapon was used or was attempted to be used. The act also revises the circumstances under which a status offender may be detained in a juvenile detention facility.

Effective October 1, 2025.

Act 2025-453 by Sen. Wes Kitchens **S**

This act requires the county jail administrator or designee to make a reasonable effort to determine if an individual charged with certain crimes is an illegal alien and provides for the length of time that a county jail must hold an individual in custody upon notification that U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement has issued a detainer and administrative warrant for the individual. The act also establishes the crime of human smuggling. **Effective October 1, 2025.**



OTHER STATEWIDE BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— JUSTICE & PUBLIC SAFETY —

Act 2025-46 by Sen. Chris Elliott

This act allows a Sheriff and County Commission to contract with a nonpublic school for the provision of school resource officers (SROs) but only if SROs are available to every public school system in the county. The act requires the nonpublic school to fully reimburse the County Commission for the salary, benefits and all other costs associated with the SROs. The act also imposes insurance requirements on the nonpublic school. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-62 by Sen. Clyde Chambliss **S**

This act amends the crime of impersonating a peace officer to include when a person is employed as a peace officer knowing that he or she is not eligible to legally serve or knowing that his or her APOST certification has been revoked or suspended. The act also expands the crime to prohibit facilitating a person from serving as a peace officer when he or she knows the person is prohibited from serving. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-65 by Sen. April Weaver **S**

This act creates the crimes of unlawful possession of inhalants and unlawful sale of inhalants. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-93 by Sen. Keith Kelley **S**

This act authorizes an individual firearm owner and a federal firearm licensee to enter into a firearm hold agreement and provides for civil immunity in these situations. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-183 by Sen. Andrew Jones **S**

This act renames “drug courts” to “accountability courts” and expands their scope to include offenders who are veterans, who are in need of substance abuse services or who are in need of mental health services. The act provides that no County Commission or county employee is required to participate in or fund the development or operation of an accountability court program. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-274 by Sen. Sam Givhan **S**

This act authorizes the Alabama Board of Pardons and Paroles to share probative electronic monitoring GPS data with a law enforcement agency during an active investigation. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-293 by Rep. David Faulkner **9 M S**

This act establishes an alert system to notify the public of a confirmed report of an unprovoked shark attacking an individual within close proximity to a shoreline or coastline. The act provides for the alert system to be run by the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources in cooperation with local emergency management organizations, the Baldwin and Mobile County Sheriffs, and other public entities. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

OTHER STATEWIDE BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— JUSTICE & PUBLIC SAFETY —

Act 2025-306 by Sen. Lance Bell **S**

Under this act, a law enforcement agency with an illegal alien in its custody may not release the illegal alien until the agency has collected a full set of fingerprints and a known DNA reference sample from the individual. The act requires the fingerprints be submitted to the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency and the DNA reference sample be submitted to the Alabama Department of Forensic Sciences. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-308 by Rep. Jerry Starnes **S**

This act adds enforcement officers of the Alabama Board of Pardons and Paroles to the definition of “law enforcement officer” found in Section 36-21-40, Code of Alabama 1975. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-322 by Rep. Jim Hill **S**

This act authorizes the Chief Justice of the Alabama Supreme Court, upon request by the Attorney General or a district attorney, to appoint a sitting or retired circuit judge to temporarily serve in a given circuit for a specific case or cases arising from one or more violent offenses. The act also establishes the Speedy Trial Fund in the State Treasury to be utilized for related expenses. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-327 by Rep. Rick Rehm **S**

This act authorizes emergency medical services personnel to provide emergency medical care to injured police dogs and to transport them to a veterinary clinic if no individual requires medical attention or transport at that time.

Effective October 1, 2025.

Act 2025-330 by Rep. Jim Hill **S**

This act deems it a prosecutorial function for a prosecuting attorney to advise a law enforcement officer or law enforcement agency on any matter of criminal procedure, civil procedure, criminal charges or criminal investigations within the prosecuting attorney’s scope of authority. **Effective May 13, 2025.**

Act 2025-345 by Rep. Phillip Pettus **S**
This act requires any motor vehicle registered in another state to possess the liability insurance policy, commercial automobile liability insurance policy, motor vehicle liability bond or deposit of cash required by the state of registration. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-345 by Rep. Phillip Pettus **S**

This act requires any motor vehicle registered in another state to possess the liability insurance policy, commercial automobile liability insurance policy, motor vehicle liability bond or deposit of cash required by the state of registration. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-355 by Sen. Arthur Orr **S**

This act requires the Alabama Justice Information Commission to publish the civil case numbers associated with civil asset seizures and forfeitures in the state. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

OTHER STATEWIDE BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— JUSTICE & PUBLIC SAFETY —

Act 2025-368 by Rep. Juandalynn Givan **S**

This act expands the crime of human trafficking in the second degree to include when a person knowingly advertises, either online or in print, access to the sexual or labor servitude of another. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-393 by Sen. Lance Bell **S**

This act requires the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA) to establish the Alabama Criminal Enterprise Database. The act allows any criminal justice agency to submit information for inclusion in the database and to access the database for legitimate law enforcement or criminal justice purposes, subject to rules adopted by ALEA. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-399 by Rep. Reed Ingram **S**

This act provides that half of the \$25 penalty imposed on individuals convicted of driving without a valid license plate be distributed to the entity employing the arresting officer. The act also provides that if a county law enforcement officer issues a special access parking or disability parking violation, 100 percent of the fines shall be paid to the county general fund for use by the officer's employing agency. **Effective October 1, 2025, and set to be repealed October 1, 2028.**

Act 2025-403 by Rep. Barbara Drummond **S**

This act imposes stricter regulations on the sale of tobacco and vaping products. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-407 by Sen. Arthur Orr **P**

This act revises the Alabama Minor Adoption Code and the Alabama Adult Adoption Code. **Effective January 1, 2026.**

Act 2025-423 by Rep. Rex Reynolds **S**

This act revises the civil and criminal immunity of law enforcement officers. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-428 by Sen. April Weaver **S**

This act establishes the crimes of mail theft and receiving stolen mail. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-431 by Rep. David Faulkner **P**

This act amends the Alabama Small Estates Act by adjusting the amount threshold to be the combined maximum amount of the homestead allowance, any exempt property and the family allowance, as adjusted using the Consumer Price Index as provided by law. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-447 by Rep. Rex Reynolds **S**

This act eliminates the sunset date on the state wiretap program and specifies the circumstances under which an intercept may be conducted with the aid of an interpreter. **Effective June 1, 2025.**



OTHER STATEWIDE BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— ENVIRONMENT, LAND USE & PUBLIC WORKS —

Act 2025-48 by Sen. Steve Livingston

This act requires any person engaging in the business of cutting, trimming, severing or uprooting aquatic plants within public waters to employ commercially reasonable methods to remove the aquatic plant matter. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-106 by Sen. Jabo Waggoner

This act authorizes and provides a procedure for certain private sewer or wastewater systems not subject to regulation of the Public Service Commission to elect to consolidate with certain private systems currently under the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-139 by Sen. Keith Kelley

This act prohibits the construction of a “tall structure,” as defined in the act, within two miles of a military installation unless the person has obtained approval from the local governing body for the area in which the tall structure will be located. Under the act, the local governing body must approve the application once the applicant provides certain documentation, and the body may bring an action for injunctive relief if construction begins without prior approval. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-297 by Sen. Dan Roberts

This act restructures the Birmingham Waterworks Board. **Effective May 7, 2025.**

Act 2025-398 by Rep. Andy Whitt

This act authorizes any county with a permitting and inspection program for residential construction to levy, by resolution adopted by a majority of the total membership of the County Commission, an additional fee of up to \$20 for the issuance of any permit connected to the construction of a residence or structure. The act requires the fees be deposited into the State Treasury’s Alabama Construction Trade Academy Fund. **Effective October 1, 2025.**



OTHER STATEWIDE BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— RURAL TRANSPORTATION —

Act 2025-64 by Sen. Dan Roberts **E** **S**

This act amends the crime of unauthorized entry of a critical infrastructure facility and provides an exception for acts committed by a person within the scope of his or her employment. The act also amends the crimes of criminal tampering and provides a safe harbor for a county taking lawful action on its right-of-way. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-272 by Sen. Jack Williams **E** **S**

This act revises the procedures for using portable scales to enforce weight limits. Additionally, the act establishes a procedure for citations to be appealed via affidavit. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-340 by Rep. Joe Lovvorn **E** **M** **S**

This act authorizes the chief administrator of any law enforcement agency, fire department, volunteer fire department, fire district or rescue squad to designate any publicly owned off-road vehicle as an authorized emergency vehicle if certain criteria are met. The act also requires that off-road vehicles designated as authorized emergency vehicles be covered under the applicable agency's insurance policy. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-389 by Sen. Josh Carnley **E**

This act further provides for the Alabama Department of Transportation's process for issuing permits to electric providers for access to certain state rights-of-way. The act also authorizes associated condemnation actions to be expedited. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-426 by Sen. Tim Melson **E**

This act establishes a process whereby the property owner of an adjacent property with an abandoned road running through it may petition the County Commission to deed the property on which the road is situated back to the owner if certain criteria are met. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-429 by Sen. Clyde Chambliss **E** **S**

This act prohibits the operation of motor vehicles on any land submerged below navigable or non-navigable waters or on any land within the natural boundary of a creek, brook, branch, stream or similar waterway. The act provides an exception for land that the operator of the motor vehicle owns or has been granted permission to access. **Effective October 1, 2025.**



LOCAL BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— AUTAUGA —

Act 2025-436 by Rep. Van Smith

This act alters, rearranges, and extends the boundary lines and corporate limits of the Town of Pine Level.
Effective October 1, 2025.

— BALDWIN —

Act 2025-437 by Rep. Matt Simpson

This act removes the 175-day limit for hosting non-jury court proceedings in branch courthouses within the 28th Judicial Circuit and provides procedures for the presiding judge to authorize criminal and civil jury proceedings in these branch courthouses. Effective May 21, 2025.

— BARBOUR —

Act 2025-224 by Sen. Billy Beasley

This act provides a salary of \$37,125 to the supernumerary Revenue Commissioner serving on October 1, 2025, and also ratifies and confirms past compensation paid. Effective October 1, 2025.

Act 2025-264 by Sen. Billy Beasley

This act imposes additional court costs to fund hazardous duty pay to the nonclerical employees of the Sheriff's Office, excluding the Sheriff. Effective upon approval of a local referendum.

Act 2025-350 by Sen. Billy Beasley

This act amends the compensation of the Probate Judge and requires him or her to waive certain compensation in order to receive the new compensation provided under this act. Effective October 1, 2025.

Act 2025-360 by Sen. Billy Beasley

This act imposes qualifications for any individual seeking to qualify for election or appointment as Sheriff. The act also imposes training requirements for the Sheriff. Effective June 1, 2025.

— BIBB —

Act 2025-200 by Sen. April Weaver

This act revises the salary of the Probate Judge, if licensed to practice law in Alabama, and provides for retroactive effect to January 1, 2021. Effective April 21, 2025.

LOCAL BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— CALHOUN —

Act 2025-88 by Rep. Randy Wood & Act 2025-109 by Sen. Keith Kelley

These acts authorize the County Commission and the governing bodies of municipalities to regulate halfway houses and other similar facilities. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-90 by Rep. Randy Wood

This act provides for the salary and expense allowance of the Coroner, as well as the salary of a compensated Assistant Coroner. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-91 by Rep. Mark Gidley & Act 2025-92 by Sen. Keith Kelley

These acts authorize the County Commission, by resolution, to increase the additional amount paid by the county to the members of the Board of Registrars. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-226 by Sen. Keith Kelley

This act provides an additional expense allowance of \$13,996 per annum to the Sheriff, beginning June 1, 2025, and sets the base annual salary of the Sheriff at \$114,290 per annum, beginning on January 18, 2027, in lieu of all other expense allowances or other forms of compensation. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

— CHAMBERS —

Act 2025-241 by Rep. Debbie Wood

This act alters, rearranges, and extends the boundary lines and corporate limits of the Town of Cusseta. **Effective April 30, 2025.**

— CHILTON —

Act 2025-434 by Rep. Van Smith

This act authorizes the county's 911 Board of Commissioners to adopt procedures for using a debit or credit card. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

— CHOCTAW —

Act 2025-173 by Rep. Brett Easterbrook

This act provides for the assessment and collection of an additional \$10 fee per instrument for all documents submitted for recording in the probate court that are subject to a deed or mortgage tax. The funds generated shall be deposited into the Probate Judge Fund and used in the sole discretion of the Probate Judge. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-174 by Rep. Brett Easterbrook

This act abolishes the office of Constable at the end of the term of office for any Constable serving on June 1, 2025. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-175 by Rep. Brett Easterbrook

This act assesses additional court costs to be used exclusively for the payment of the costs of maintaining, repairing, and operating the county jail and jail complex and for paying any indebtedness incurred for their construction. **Effective July 1, 2025, upon ratification of a local constitutional amendment authorizing additional court costs to be levied in the county.**

LOCAL BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— CLARKE —

Act 2025-184 by Rep. Thomas Jackson

This act authorizes the County Commission to pay any of the actual and necessary expenses for the operation of the Coroner's Office. The act also provides for retroactive effect. **Effective April 17, 2025.**

Act 2025-190 by Rep. Thomas Jackson

This act provides an additional expense allowance for the Sheriff that shall begin on May 1, 2025, and roll into salary upon the next term of office. **Effective April 18, 2025.**

Act 2025-191 by Rep. Thomas Jackson

This act provides an additional expense allowance for County Commissioners that shall begin on May 1, 2025, and roll into salary upon the next term of office. **Effective April 18, 2025.**

Act 2025-247 by Rep. Thomas Jackson

This act authorizes the Sheriff to charge and collect reasonable fees for certain services and provides for the fees to be remitted to the County Commission and then deposited into the Sheriff's Fund and used for county law enforcement purposes. The act also allows the Clerk, Sheriff or other appropriate court official to assess a reasonable service of process fee, with half deposited into the Circuit Clerk's Fund and the other half directed to the Sheriff's Office.

Effective October 1, 2025.

— CLAY —

Act 2025-196 by Sen. Randy Price

This act authorizes the Sheriff to sell certain abandoned, stolen and unclaimed property at public auction, using the procedures provided in the act. The act also authorizes the Sheriff to sell or destroy certain abandoned, stolen or unclaimed firearms. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-197 by Sen. Randy Price

This act authorizes the Sheriff to conduct fundraising events and to use the proceeds and profits for any lawful purpose related to Sheriff's Office operations. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

— CLEBURNE —

Act 2025-176 by Rep. Chad Robertson

This act provides a \$72,000 annual salary to the Sheriff and to the Revenue Commissioner, effective at the beginning of the next term of office commencing in January 2027. The act also provides for these officials' cost-of-living increases, which shall begin in October 2028. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

LOCAL BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— COFFEE —

Act 2025-199 by Sen. Josh Carnley

This act requires any individual elected or appointed as the Probate Judge after June 1, 2025, to be an attorney licensed to practice law in Alabama. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-208 by Sen. Josh Carnley

Referred to as the “Kinston Speed Limit Safety Act,” this act authorizes the use of automated speeding enforcement in the Town of Kinston. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-209 by Sen. Josh Carnley

This act authorizes any municipality in the county to contract with the Sheriff and the County Commission for the provision of police services in the municipality. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

— COLBERT —

Act 2025-180 by Rep. Kerry Underwood

This act amends the fee schedule for county pistol permits. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-192 by Rep. Kerry Underwood

This act further provides for the expense allowance and base salary of the Sheriff. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

— CULLMAN —

Act 2025-294 by Sen. Jabo Waggoner

This act further provides for the establishment of a certain type of community development district and authorizes such a district’s annexation by a wet municipality. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-439 by Rep. Tim Wadsworth

This act alters, rearranges, and extends the boundary lines and corporate limits of the City of Cullman. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

— DALE —

Act 2025-58 by Rep. Steve Clouse

This act amends a local law regarding a county lodging tax. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

LOCAL BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— ELMORE —

Act 2025-99 by Rep. Troy Stubbs

This act alters, rearranges, and extends the boundary lines and corporate limits of the City of Eclectic.

Effective October 1, 2025.

Act 2025-128 by Rep. Troy Stubbs

This act levies an additional county sales and use tax; provides for how the tax rate will be calculated; and directs the proceeds to be deposited into the Enhance Elmore Fund, with 90 percent used for infrastructure and 10 percent for economic development. Effective June 1, 2025.

Act 2025-129 by Rep. Reed Ingram

The act levies an additional \$25 fee on each motor vehicle registration, transfer, or renewal and provides for the fee to increase by \$1 every subsequent year. The proceeds shall be deposited into the Enhance Elmore Fund, with 95 percent used for infrastructure and 5 percent for economic development. Effective January 1, 2026.

Act 2025-415 by Rep. Troy Stubbs

This proposed local constitutional amendment would levy a county excise tax on vapor products, alternative nicotine products and tobacco products; levy a property assessment on all parcels of land in the county; and provide for the tax proceeds to be distributed to the Enhance Elmore Fund. Effective upon approval of a local referendum.

Act 2025-450 by Rep. Reed Ingram

This act levies a county rental tax; provides for a calculation of the rate; and directs the proceeds to be deposited into the Enhance Elmore Fund, with 90 percent used for infrastructure and 10 percent for economic development.

Effective June 1, 2025.

— ESCAMBIA —

Act 2025-438 by Rep. Alan Baker

This act amends the powers, duties, and appointment process for the County Medical Examiner, including setting the Examiner's term of office to correspond with the District Attorney's, and repeals a local law relating to the Medical Examiner's compensation. Effective October 1, 2025.

— ETOWAH —

Act 2025-126 by Rep. Mack Butler

This act provides for the sale, use, and destruction of certain abandoned, stolen, and unclaimed property by the County Drug Enforcement Unit. Effective October 1, 2025.

Act 2025-198 by Sen. Andrew Jones

This act sets up a process for the future dissolution of the County Mega Sports Complex Authority and for transferring the authority's fiduciary responsibility. Effective October 1, 2025.

LOCAL BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— FAYETTE —

Act 2025-24 by Rep. Bryan Brinyark

This act authorizes the Sheriff to establish procedures to make certain purchases through the use of a credit card issued to the Sheriff's Office. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-432 by Rep. Bryan Brinyark

This act provides the Revenue Commissioner an expense allowance beginning on October 1, 2025, and voids the allowance on October 1, 2027, at which time the Revenue Commissioner's base salary shall be set at \$67,000 per year. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-433 by Rep. Bryan Brinyark

This act provides the Sheriff a \$20,000 expense allowance beginning on October 1, 2025, and voids the allowance on January 18, 2027, at which time the Sheriff's base salary shall be set at \$80,000 per year. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

— GENEVA —

Act 2025-364 by Sen. Donnie Chesteen

This act repeals a local law providing for the compensation of the County Superintendent of Education. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

— HOUSTON —

Act 2025-127 by Rep. Paul Lee

This act authorizes the Sheriff to establish procedures to make certain purchases through the use of a credit card or debit card issued to the Sheriff's Office. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-132 by Rep. Paul Lee

Beginning June 1, 2025, this act provides for a \$22,000 salary to the Coroner and a \$150,000 salary to the Sheriff. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

— JACKSON —

Act 2025-195 by Sen. Steve Livingston

This act alters, rearranges, and extends the boundary lines and corporate limits of the Town of Paint Rock. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-250 by Sen. Steve Livingston

This act extends the terms of the mayor, city councilors, and members of the city board of education for the City of Scottsboro for the purpose of revising the dates of the city's general municipal election. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-265 by Sen. Steve Livingston

This act sets the salary of the Probate Judge at \$132,000 per year and repeals prior code sections relating to the Probate Judge's compensation. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-266 by Sen. Steve Livingston

This act authorizes the Sheriff to establish procedures for using a credit or debit card to make purchases for the Sheriff's Office. The act expressly states that it does not authorize the Sheriff to expend funds in excess of those otherwise validly appropriated by law or to establish a debt of the County Commission. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

LOCAL BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— JEFFERSON —

Act 2025-295 by Sen. Jabo Waggoner

This act further provides for filling County Commission vacancies and repeals two local laws relating to election dates.
Effective June 1, 2025.

Act 2025-441 by Rep. Jim Carns

This act makes changes to the county's General Retirement System for Employees. Effective October 1, 2025.

— LAUDERDALE —

Act 2025-55 by Rep. Phillip Pettus

This act authorizes the Sheriff to conduct fundraising events and to use the proceeds for any lawful purpose relating to the Sheriff's Office. The act also ratifies and confirms past actions. Effective March 19, 2025.

Act 2025-56 by Rep. Phillip Pettus

This act provides for the electronic filing of business personal property tax returns in the Revenue Commissioner's Office and authorizes the Revenue Commissioner to establish procedures for the electronic filing of the returns.
Effective June 1, 2025.

Act 2025-57 by Rep. Phillip Pettus

This act authorizes the Sheriff to establish procedures to make certain purchases through the use of a credit card or debit card issued to the Sheriff's Office. Effective June 1, 2025.

Act 2025-225 by Sen. Tim Melson

This act alters, rearranges, and extends the boundary lines and corporate limits of the City of Florence.
Effective October 1, 2025.

Act 2025-301 by Sen. Tim Melson

This act authorizes a certain agriculture authority to terminate or relocate an easement on property owned by the authority; allows the agriculture authority to purchase items from the statewide public contract list; and provides all state lodging taxes collected by an authority and remitted to the taxing authority to be rebated to the agriculture authority.
Effective October 1, 2025.

Act 2025-349 by Sen. Tim Melson

This act alters and rearranges the boundary lines and corporate limits of the Town of Saint Florian.
Effective October 1, 2025.

Act 2025-443 by Rep. Phillip Pettus

This act requires the county to pay supplemental compensation to the chief assistant district attorney and three assistant district attorneys for the 11th Judicial Circuit. Effective May 21, 2025.

LOCAL BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— LAWRENCE —

Act 2025-185 by Rep. Ernie Yarbrough

This act provides for the formation of fire districts by the County Commission and, subject to voter approval, the funding of fire districts by fire protection fees collected by the Revenue Commissioner. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-421 by Rep. Ernie Yarbrough

This act provides an expense allowance for the Sheriff that shall begin on October 1, 2025, and roll into salary on January 19, 2026. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

— LEE —

Act 2025-228 by Sen. Randy Price

This act authorizes the County Commission to grant an additional exemption to mandatory solid waste collection program fees for any household whose total income does not exceed 75 percent of the federal poverty level. The act also authorizes the County Commission to adopt rules for implementation. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-263 by Sen. Jay Hovey

This act authorizes the Revenue Commissioner to establish procedures for the electronic filing of business personal property tax returns. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-292 by Sen. Jay Hovey

This act authorizes the Revenue Commissioner to perform the duties required for the redemption of land for taxes in the county and to charge an administrative fee of up to \$50 for processing a redemption. **Effective May 7, 2025.**

Act 2025-361 by Sen. Randy Price

This act further provides for the functions, duties, and responsibilities of the County Engineer and County Commission. **Effective May 13, 2025.**

— MADISON —

Act 2025-362 by Sen. Sam Givhan

This act alters and rearranges the boundary lines and corporate limits of the City of New Hope and removes certain property from the corporate limits. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-363 by Sen. Sam Givhan

This act provides for the compensation of the Sheriff. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

— MARENGO —

Act 2025-89 by Rep. A.J. McCampbell

This act allows the County Commission to authorize the Coroner to employ a Deputy Coroner. The act also provides for the expense allowance and mileage allowance of the Coroner and Deputy Coroner. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

LOCAL BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— MARION —

Act 2025-420 by Rep. Tracy Estes

This act establishes a \$50 service of process fee to be deposited into the County Service of Process Fund. The act authorizes the County Commission to use the money generated at its discretion for any lawful purpose and requires the Commission to keep an account of all transactions associated with the Fund for audit by the Alabama Department of Examiners of Public Accounts. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-440 by Rep. Tracy Estes

This act amends the appointing authorities for the County Public Water Authority board of directors, reduces the board's size from nine members to five, appoints the Chair of the County Commission as an ex officio member, implements term limits and provides procedures for the recall of a director. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

— MARSHALL —

Act 2025-83 by Sen. Wes Kitchens

This act amends the distribution of in-lieu-of-taxes payments of the Tennessee Valley Authority. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

— MOBILE —

Act 2025-85 by Rep. Mark Shirey

This act authorizes the Sheriff to establish procedures for using a credit card or debit card to make purchases. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-86 by Rep. Barbara Drummond 💰

This act authorizes Class 2 municipalities to declare certain abandoned or discarded debris a public nuisance and require its abatement or removal at the expense of the owner of the property. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-182 by Sen. David Sessions

This act requires the Sheriff to administer and supervise all electronic monitoring of pretrial defendants in the 13th Judicial Circuit of Alabama. The act also authorizes the Sheriff to establish administrative and supervision fees to fund electronic monitoring. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-188 by Sen. Jack Williams

This act further provides for the expense allowance and base salary of the Probate Judge. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-202 by Sen. David Sessions 💰

This act authorizes the governing body of a Class 2 municipality to establish a delegation agreement with the Alabama Department of Environmental Management to enforce the Alabama Scrap Tire Environmental Quality Act. The act also authorizes enforcement in municipal court and provides for criminal penalties of certain violations. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-348 by Sen. David Sessions 💰

This act establishes an expedited foreclosure process for certain unoccupied properties located within the City of Mobile and provides for enhanced notice requirements prior to foreclosure. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

LOCAL BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— MONROE —

Act 2025-177 by Rep. Thomas Jackson

This act extends the collection of a special county privilege license tax. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-178 by Rep. Thomas Jackson

This act imposes additional qualifications to run for Sheriff and requires the Sheriff, upon election, to complete a minimum of 12 hours of executive-level continuing education. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-189 by Rep. Thomas Jackson

This act further provides for the compensation of the Sheriff. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

— MONTGOMERY —

Act 2025-181 by Sen. Kirk Hatcher

This proposed constitutional amendment would allow the elected or appointed members of the governing body of the City of Montgomery to participate in the Employees' Retirement System of Alabama upon the same terms and conditions as employees. **Effective upon approval of a local referendum.**

— MORGAN —

Act 2025-416 by Rep. Terri Collins

This proposed local constitutional amendment would require the Probate Judge to be an attorney licensed to practice law in Alabama and would authorize the Probate Judge to exercise equity jurisdiction concurrent with the circuit court. **Effective upon approval of a local referendum.**

Act 2025-442 by Rep. Terri Collins

This act amends how the Tennessee Valley Authority in-lieu-of-taxes payments are distributed in the county. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

— PICKENS —

Act 2025-118 by Rep. Ron Bolton

This act authorizes the County Commission to levy and provide for the collection of an additional \$10 vehicle license and registration issuance fee, the proceeds of which shall be used to provide ambulance services in the county. **Effective upon approval of a local referendum.**

— RANDOLPH —

Act 2025-245 by Rep. Bob Fincher

This act further provides for the distribution of the county's tobacco tax. **Effective May 2, 2025.**

Act 2025-444 by Rep. Bob Fincher

This act establishes a special \$50 transaction fee to be imposed for each map of plats recorded and copied in the Probate Judge's Office and requires the County Commission to use the collected funds for recording- and copying-related costs. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

LOCAL BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— RUSSELL —

Act 2025-179 by Rep. Chris Blackshear

This act abolishes the office of Constable at the end of the term of office for any Constable serving on June 1, 2025. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-186 by Rep. Chris Blackshear

This act authorizes the County Commission to establish, by resolution, a probate recording fee in an amount not to exceed \$10. The act provides for the funds to be deposited into an account for the purpose of modernizing the records and recordkeeping of the Probate Office and to be spent at the discretion of the Probate Judge. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-187 by Rep. Chris Blackshear

This act increases the annual salary of the Sheriff from \$120,000 to \$135,000. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-194 by Rep. Chris Blackshear

This act repeals a local law that provides for the distribution of a portion of the county's share of the state gasoline excise tax to the incorporated municipalities of the county. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

— ST. CLAIR —

Act 2025-111 by Rep. Jim Hill

This act authorizes the County Commission to grant and pay to each supernumerary Sheriff or supernumerary Revenue Commissioner the same cost-of-living increase or lump-sum payment paid to retirees of the county who are retired under the State Employees' Retirement System, provided the payments to the retirees have been approved by the County Commission. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-113 by Rep. Jim Hill

This act amends the compensation and expense allowance of the Revenue Commissioner. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-124 by Rep. Jim Hill

This act authorizes the Sheriff to establish procedures to make certain purchases through the use of a credit card or debit card issued to the Sheriff's Office. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-125 by Rep. Jim Hill

This act further provides for the Office of the County Mental Health Officer. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-419 by Rep. Jim Hill

This act amends the compensation of the Coroner retroactive to March 1, 2025, and ratifies and confirms any actions taken in accordance with this act beginning March 1, 2025. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

— SHELBY —

Act 2025-229 by Sen. Lance Bell

This act authorizes the County Commission to levy an additional motor vehicle license and registration issuance fee of up to \$2, commencing on January 1 after being levied. The act provides for the proceeds to be distributed to the Sheriff's Law Enforcement Fund to be used for county law enforcement purposes. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

LOCAL BILLS SIGNED INTO LAW

— TALLADEGA —

Act 2025-87 by Rep. Ben Robbins 

This act alters and rearranges the boundary lines and corporate limits of the City of Childersburg and the Town of Bon Air. **Effective October 1, 2025.**

Act 2025-418 by Rep. Randy Wood

This act further provides for the distribution of the special county sales and use tax. **Effective June 1, 2025.**

