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3 By Senator Allen (N & P)
4 RFD: Local Legislation
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9 A BILL
10 TO BE ENTITLED
11 AN ACT
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13 Relating to Tuscaloosa County; to amend Section 3 of
14 Act 85-106 of the 1985 Regular Session (Acts 1985, p. 135),
15 relating to Tuscaloosa County Commission and specifying that
16 the judge of probate also serves as chair of the commission;
17 to further provide that a person serving as judge of probate
18 and chair of the county commission may elect to resign from
19 the position of judge of probate and continue to serve as
20 chair of the county commission; and to provide the chair of
21 the county commission would be elected countywide thereafter.

22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

23 Section 1. Section 3 of Act 85-106 of the 1985
24 Regular Session (Acts 1985, p. 135), is amended to read as
25 follows:

26 "Section 3. (a) The chairman of said Subject to
27 subsection (b), the chair of the county commission shall be

1 the Probate Judge of Tuscaloosa County, and he or she shall
2 preside at all meetings of the county commission at which he
3 or she is present, and he or she shall be entitled to vote on
4 all or any matters coming before the county commission in like
5 manner as other county commissioners. The Probate Judge of
6 Tuscaloosa County shall continue to be elected and serve as
7 otherwise provided by the laws of the State of Alabama.

8 "(b) In the event an elected judge of probate of the
9 county who, pursuant to subsection (a), at the same time was
10 also elected to serve as the chair of the county commission,
11 submits a statement in writing to the Governor that he or she
12 resigns his or her position as judge of probate, but elects to
13 continue to serve as chair of the county commission, upon the
14 acceptance of his or her resignation by the Governor, the
15 person shall continue to serve as chair of the county
16 commission, shall continue to receive the same salary, and
17 shall serve for the remainder of the term for which he or she
18 was elected except as provided herein. A successor to the
19 position of chair of the county commission shall be elected
20 from the county at-large at the general election in November
21 of the year immediately preceding the end of term for which
22 the person was originally elected to the joint position of
23 judge of probate and chair and the successor to the chair
24 shall take office at the same time as the other members of the
25 county commission and shall serve the same term as the other
26 members of the county commission. The chair of the county
27 commission elected pursuant to this subsection shall receive

1 an annual salary of one hundred five thousand dollars
2 (\$105,000) payable from the general fund of the county."

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