

1 SB136
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3 By Senators Bussman and Allen
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7 A BILL
8 TO BE ENTITLED
9 AN ACT

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11 To exclude certain prefabricated storm shelters from
12 the provisions of Title 24, Code of Alabama 1975, and to
13 require resident and nonresident prefabricated storm shelter
14 manufacturers to post a bond with the Alabama Emergency
15 Management Agency.

16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

17 Section 1. (a) Title 24, Code of Alabama 1975, shall
18 not apply to prefabricated storm shelters not equipped with
19 electrical, plumbing, heating, or utility service lines, and
20 which meet all of the following:

21 (1) Is a temporary safe place during storms as
22 stated in Federal Emergency Management Agency Publication 320.

23 (2) Has a capacity of no more than 12 people.

24 (3) Includes plans for the construction of the
25 shelter that are stamped, dated, and signed by a licensed
26 engineer or a registered architect.

1 (4) States in a conspicuous place on the first
2 blueprint page: "This shelter design complies with applicable
3 standards as provided in the current Federal Emergency
4 Management Agency (FEMA) publication and International Code
5 Council (ICC-500) Codes."

6 (5) Includes shelter occupancy information on the
7 notes page of the shelter blueprints stating: "According to
8 the current FEMA and ICC-500 standards, this shelter will
9 accommodate (X) standing adults (5 SF/Person), (Y) people in
10 wheelchairs (10 SF/Person), and (Z) bedridden people."

11 (b) All resident and nonresident manufacturers of
12 prefabricated storm shelters selling prefabricated storm
13 shelters in this state shall annually deliver to the Alabama
14 Emergency Management Agency a good and sufficient surety bond,
15 executed by the applicant as principal and by a corporate
16 surety company qualified to do business in the state as
17 surety, in the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000). The
18 bond shall be in a form to be approved by the agency, and
19 shall be conditioned upon the manufacturer's compliance with
20 the requirements for prefabricated storm shelters provided in
21 subsection (a).

22 Section 2. This act shall become effective on its
23 passage and approval by the Governor, or its otherwise
24 becoming law, and is retroactive to January 1, 2012.

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Senate

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