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8 AMENDING ACT 2014-199, HJR270, TO ADD MEMBERS TO THE
9 ALABAMA HUMAN TRAFFICKING TASK FORCE.

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11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
12 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Act 2014-199, HJR270, 2014
13 Regular Session (Acts 2014, p. 593), is amended to read as
14 follows:

15 "ESTABLISHING THE ALABAMA HUMAN TRAFFICKING TASK
16 FORCE.

17 "WHEREAS, human trafficking is the second largest
18 criminal activity in the world, exceeded only by drug
19 trafficking; and

20 "WHEREAS, human trafficking enslaves hundreds of
21 thousands of victims each year; and

22 "WHEREAS, human trafficking involves the use of
23 force, fraud, or coercion by traffickers to recruit or capture
24 and also control their victims; now therefore,

25 "BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
26 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the Alabama Human Trafficking
27 Task Force is hereby established.

1 "The purpose and agenda of the Task Force shall
2 include all of the following:

3 "(1) To combat all aspects of human trafficking,
4 including sex trafficking and labor trafficking.

5 "(2) To pursue a comprehensive response to crimes of
6 human trafficking.

7 "(3) To coordinate strategies to provide necessary
8 services for victims of human trafficking.

9 "(4) To focus prevention efforts to end the demand
10 for human trafficking and create awareness through education
11 and community initiatives.

12 "(5) To develop legislation to prevent, intervene,
13 and treat human trafficking.

14 "The Alabama Human Trafficking Task Force shall be
15 comprised of the following members:

16 "(1) One member of the House of Representatives
17 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

18 "(2) One member of the Senate appointed by the
19 Senate President Pro Tempore.

20 "(3) One member of the Legal, Legislative, or Policy
21 Office of the Alabama Governor appointed by the Governor.

22 "(4) One member of the Office of Victim Assistance
23 of the Alabama Attorney General appointed by the Attorney
24 General.

25 "(5) The Chair of the Huntsville/Madison County
26 Human Trafficking Task Force, or his or her designee.

1 "(6) The Chair of the Central Alabama Human
2 Trafficking Task Force, or his or her designee.

3 "(7) The Commissioner of the Alabama Department of
4 Human Resources, or his or her designee.

5 "(8) The Commissioner of the Alabama Department of
6 Agriculture and Industries, or his or her designee.

7 "(9) The Commissioner of the Alabama Department of
8 Labor, or his or her designee.

9 "(10) The Chief of the ~~Alabama Bureau of~~
10 Investigation State Bureau of Investigations, or his or her
11 designee.

12 "(11) The Director of the Alabama Office of
13 Prosecution Services, or his or her designee.

14 "(12) The President of the Alabama District
15 Attorney's Association, or his or her designee.

16 "(13) The Director of the Alabama Department of
17 Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention, or his or her designee.

18 "(14) The Director of the Alabama Network of
19 Children's Advocacy Centers, or his or her designee.

20 "(15) The Superintendent of the Alabama State
21 Department of Education, or his or her designee.

22 "(16) Two members of the judiciary appointed by the
23 Chief Justice of the Alabama Supreme Court, one of whom is a
24 Juvenile Court Judge.

25 "(17) One Juvenile Probation Officer appointed by
26 the Chief Justice of the Alabama Supreme Court.

1 "(18) One representative of the medical community
2 appointed by the chair of the task force.

3 "(19) One human trafficking survivor appointed by
4 the chair of the task force.

5 "(20) The Executive Director of VOICES for Alabama
6 Children, or his or her designee.

7 "(21) One member of the House Minority Caucus
8 appointed by the Speaker of the House.

9 "(22) One member of the Senate Minority Caucus
10 appointed by the Senate President Pro Tempore.

11 "(23) One member appointed by the League of
12 Municipalities.

13 "(24) One member appointed by the Association of
14 County Commissioners of Alabama.

15 "The members of the Task Force shall elect a chair,
16 vice chair, and other officers as deemed necessary for the
17 efficient operation of the business of the Task Force.

18 "Each member shall serve at the pleasure of his or
19 her appointing authority. A vacancy in the membership shall be
20 filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

21 "The members of the Task Force shall meet at least
22 four times per calendar year and serve without compensation.

23 "The Task Force shall hold its initial meeting no
24 later than June 1, 2014, and shall meet thereafter according
25 to a schedule established by the members. Special meetings
26 shall be held at the call of the chair or a quorum of the
27 members of the Task Force. The chair or other members of the

1 Task Force calling the meeting shall give at least seven days'
2 notice of all regular or special meetings, which shall include
3 the place and time of the meeting.

4 "A majority of the members of the Task Force shall
5 constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business at a
6 regular or special meeting.

7 "The membership of the Task Force shall be inclusive
8 and reflect the racial, gender, geographic, urban/rural, and
9 economic diversity of the state.

10 "The Task Force shall submit an annual report of its
11 findings and recommendations to the Governor, the Lieutenant
12 Governor, the Attorney General, the Senate President Pro
13 Tempore, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives on or
14 before January 1 of each calendar year, and shall submit a
15 copy of its report to all legislators and the Secretary of
16 State.

17 "Each department, commission, board, agency,
18 officer, and institution of the state and all subdivisions of
19 the state shall cooperate with the Task Force in carrying out
20 the purposes of this resolution."