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3 By Senators McClendon, Albritton, Allen, Beasley, Blackwell,
4 Brewbaker, Bussman, Chambliss, Coleman-Madison, Dial, Dunn,
5 Figures, Glover, Hightower, Holley, Holtzclaw, Livingston,
6 Marsh, Melson, Orr, Pittman, Reed, Sanders, Sanford, Scofield,
7 Shelnutt, Singleton, Smith, Smitherman, Stutts, Waggoner,
8 Ward, Whatley and Williams
9 RFD:
10 First Read: 22-MAR-18

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8 COMMENDING DR. SAMUEL D. PIERCE, O.D., UPON HIS
9 ELECTION AS PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION.

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11 WHEREAS, highest commendations are herein extended
12 to Samuel D. Pierce, O.D., upon his outstanding professional
13 accomplishments; and

14 WHEREAS, Samuel D. Pierce, O.D., will become the
15 President of the American Optometric Association on June 23,
16 2018; he has been in private practice in Trussville, Alabama,
17 since 1989; and

18 WHEREAS, Dr. Pierce is the second Alabamian and the
19 second University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Optometry
20 graduate to serve as president of the American Optometric
21 Association; and

22 WHEREAS, he has a long history of service to
23 optometry in Alabama including serving as President of the
24 Alabama Optometric Association from 2001 to 2002; he served on
25 the board of directors of the Southern Council of Optometrists
26 from 2003 to 2006; he was first elected to the Board of
27 Trustees of the American Optometric Association in 2009; he

1 has served as AOA Secretary-Treasurer and Vice President; in
2 2017, he was elected as the AOA President-elect; and

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Pierce is the recipient of several
4 professional awards including, Alabama Optometrist of the
5 Year, and UAB Alumnus of the Year; now therefore,

6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
7 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we highly commend and
8 congratulate Dr. Samuel D. Pierce, O.D., upon his outstanding
9 professional accomplishments and his election as President of
10 the American Optometric Association, and by copy of this
11 resolution we convey our highest esteem and our best wishes in
12 all his future endeavors.