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- 2 By Representatives Crawford, Moore (P), Rigsby, Whitt
- 3 RFD: Ways and Means General Fund
- 4 First Read: 21-Mar-23

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4	SYNOPSIS:
5	Under existing law, the Limestone County Board
6	of Registrars may meet a maximum of 167 working days
7	each fiscal year.
8	This bill would increase the number of working
9	days that the Limestone County Board of Registrars may
10	meet to a maximum of five working days each
11	week.
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13	A BILL
14	TO BE ENACTED
15	AN ACT
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17	To amend Section 17-3-8, Code of Alabama 1975, as last
18	amended by Act 2022-112 of the 2022 Regular Session, relating
19	to meeting days of boards of registrars; to increase the
20	number of working days that the Limestone County Board of
21	Registrars may meet each week.
22	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:
23	Section 1. Section 17-3-8, Code of Alabama 1975, as
24	last amended by Act 2022-112 of the 2022 Regular Session, is
25	amended to read as follows:
26	"§17-3-8
27	(a) Each member of the board of registrars in the
28	Counties of Clay, Cleburne, Coosa, Dallas, Escambia, Geneva,

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29 Lowndes, Perry, Sumter, and Wilcox may meet a maximum of 120 30 working days each fiscal year; each member of the board of 31 registrars in the Counties of Barbour, Blount, Butler, 32 Fayette, Greene, Marengo, Pickens, Pike, Randolph, and Winston 33 may meet a maximum of 168 working days each fiscal year, 34 except in Pike County each board of registrars may meet up to 35 an additional 30 session days each fiscal year, at the 36 discretion of the chair of the county commission, and such 37 days shall be paid from the respective county funds; each member of the board of registrars in the Counties of Coffee, 38 39 Talladega, and Tallapoosa may meet a maximum of 220 working days each fiscal year, except that in Talladega County the 40 board of registrars may meet up to an additional 30 session 41 42 days each fiscal year, at the discretion of the chair of the 43 county commission; each member of the board of registrars in the Counties of Dale, Franklin, Houston, Marion, Marshall, 44 45 Bullock, Macon, and Tuscaloosa may meet a maximum of 216 46 working days each fiscal year; each member of the board of 47 registrars in the Counties of Limestone and Shelby County may 48 meet a maximum of 167 working days each fiscal year; and each 49 member of the board of registrars in Russell County may meet a 50 maximum of 177 working days each fiscal year.

(b) In the Counties of Choctaw, Colbert, Cullman,
Lauderdale, and Monroe, each member of the board of registrars
may meet a maximum of 199 working days each fiscal year.

(c) Each member of the Board of Registrars of Autauga,
Elmore, and Bibb Counties may meet a maximum of 187 working
days each fiscal year. Each member of the Board of Registrars

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57 of Walker County may meet a maximum of 200 days each fiscal 58 year, and each member of the Board of Registrars of Lamar, 59 Cherokee, Clarke, Conecuh, Crenshaw, Hale, and Washington 60 Counties may meet a maximum of 140 days each fiscal year. Each member of the board of registrars in the following counties 61 62 may meet the following maximum number of working days each 63 fiscal year: Henry - 140 working days; Covington - 188 working 64 days; DeKalb - 207 working days; Jackson - 207 working days; 65 Chambers - 180 working days; and Lawrence - 140 working days.

(d) Each member of the board of registrars in the 66 67 Counties of Baldwin, Calhoun, Chilton, Etowah, Limestone, Lee, Madison, Mobile, Montgomery, St. Clair, and Morgan are 68 authorized to meet not more than five days each week for the 69 70 purpose of carrying out their official duties. Jefferson 71 County, which is now operating under the provisions of local laws, shall be exempted from this section. Provided, however, 72 73 that where the term each year is used in the local laws the 74 term means each fiscal year.

(e) The actual number of working days to be used as session days shall be determined by a quorum of the board of registrars according to the needs of the county.

(f) As many as 25 of the allotted working days may be used for special registration sessions (i.e., those sessions held away from the courthouse in the several precincts of the county or sessions held on Saturday or between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.). Notice of any special session scheduled by the board shall be given at least 10 days prior to the special session by: (1) Bills posted at three or more

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public places in each election precinct affected, if the session involves precinct visits; and (2) advertisement once a week for two successive weeks in a newspaper published in the county or by radio or television announcements on a local station, or both by newspaper or announcement."
Section 2. This act shall become effective on the first

91 day of the third month following its passage and approval by 92 the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.