

- 1 FBEH55-2
- 2 By Representatives Moore (P), Rigsby, Underwood, Colvin,
- 3 Whorton, Pettus, Harrison, Harbison, Collins, Shedd,
- 4 Stadthagen, Whitt, Reynolds, Crawford, Daniels, Wadsworth,
- 5 Hall, Lomax, Cole, Yarbrough, Kitchens, Kiel
- 6 RFD: RULES
- 7 First Read: 02-May-23
- 8 2023 Regular Session



1 <u>Enrolled</u>, An Act, 2 3

SUPPORTING THE REPAIR AND CONTINUED MAINTENANCE OF
WILSON LOCK ON THE TENNESSEE RIVER.

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7 WHEREAS, The State of Alabama recognizes the immense 8 impact Wilson Lock has on agriculture, industry, recreation, both interstate and intrastate commerce, the economic 9 interests of the state, and the State of Alabama as a whole; 10 11 the Tennessee River serves the entire northern portion of 12 the state as a vital artery connecting the state to not only 13 the rest of the nation but the entire world as part of the Mississippi River Drainage; the Tennessee River is only made 14 15 navigable by dams such as Wilson Lock and Dam; the many 16 businesses and industries located along the river, including 17 the cutting edge aerospace companies that are located in 18 this northern portion of the state, depend upon the 19 Tennessee River for the transport of their goods; and

20 WHEREAS, Wilson Lock is currently operating under a 21 temporary guard wall solution, a permanent resolution is 22 needed to restore the lock to normal operations to support 23 the contributions the lock provides to the state; without 24 Wilson Lock being fully operational, the state stands to 25 lose one of its most vital connections to the nation and

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26 world; the loss of such connection would cause potentially 27 irreparable damage to the state; now therefore, 28 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH 29 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURING, That Wilson Lock is of national 30 significance and we lend our support in whatever fashion the 31 state deems appropriate to help in this matter, and we fully stand behind the industries of this state that so heavily 32 33 depend upon this lock.

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47		I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
48	and was	s passed by the House 09-MAY-23.
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50		John Treadwell
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