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| HB161 - Rep. Lipscomb - State Government - First Read: 4-FEB-25 | Under existing law, the Division of Construction Management within the Department of Finance, is required to adopt state building codes and state energy conservation codes. The codes apply only to state public buildings, public schools, hotels, and movie theatres. The codes do not apply to private residential or nonresidential buildings and structures. Also under existing law, each county commission and municipality may adopt local building codes for its jurisdiction. The codes are enforced at the local level. This bill would require the Division of Construction Management to periodically update the state building code in accordance with the most recent model building code published. The state building code would be expanded to include all nonresidential buildings, but the expanded applicability of the building code to such nonresidential buildings would not supersede any rules, regulations, or building codes of a Class 1, Class 2, or Class 3 municipality unless the municipality gave its consent. This bill would allow the governing body of a county or municipality to adopt a local amendment or modification to the state building code to authorize increased protections within the applicable county or municipality. This bill would allow a local governing body to request the Division of Construction Management to amend or modify the state building code to be less stringent and would authorize the amendment, if adopted, to be applied statewide or only locally. This bill would also provide that the Division of Construction Management is the primary authority to enforce the state building code with respect to certain types of buildings, and that local governing bodies may enforce the building code with respect to other nonresidential buildings. | Passed House on 2/13/25 | As of 4/29/25; House adopted Substitute |
| SB131 - Sen. Livingston - County and Municipal Government - First Read: 6-FEB-25 | | Reported out of Senate Committee on County and Municipal Government with 1 Substitute; Read for the second time and placed on Calendar | |
| HB189 - Rep. Garrett - State Government - First Read: 5-FEB-25 | Under existing law, prior to awarding a public works contract that exceeds one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), a state or county awarding authority is required to advertise for sealed bids in a newspaper of general circulation once a week for at least three consecutive weeks in the county or counties in which the improvement will occur. If a municipality is the awarding authority, it must advertise for sealed bids at least once in a newspaper of general circulation published in the municipality where the awarding authority is located. However, if a newspaper is not available, the awarding authority shall advertise by posting notice on a bulletin board and also by sending notice by mail to all registered persons. This bill authorizes the expansion of acceptable methods an awarding authority may use to advertise for sealed bids on a public works project that exceeds one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000). This bill will provide a safe harbor for state, county, and municipal awarding authorities to have the advertisement requirement deemed satisfied if the awarding authority complies with more than one of the approved advertising methods, the selected method of advertising fails through no fault of the awarding authority. This bill will further provide a safe harbor which deems the advertising requirement satisfied if the Department of Transportation complies with one of the approved advertising methods, the selected method of advertising fails through no fault of the department, and the department advertises on its publicly accessible website for the required number of weeks. | Read for the first time and referred to the House Committee on State Government | As of 2/5/2025 |
| SB103 - Sen. Albritton - Finance & Taxation General Fund - First Read: 5-FEB-25 | | Reported out of Senate Committee on Finance & Taxation General Fund; Read for the second time and placed on Calendar | As of 2/12/2025 |
| HB241 - Reps. Easterbrook, Whorton, Lee et al. - County and Municipal Government - First Read: 11-FEB-25 | Under existing law, the construction plans for a single family residence with a total area of less than 2,500 square feet does not need the approval of a registered architect. This bill would prohibit any county or municipality from requiring the approval of a registered architect or professional engineer on plans for the construction of a single family residence under three stories in height. | Read for the first time and referred to the House Committee on County and Municipal Government | As of 2/11/2025 |
| HB247 - Reps. Standridge, Carns et al. - Ports, Waterways & Intermodal Transit - First Read: 11-FEB-25 | Relating to the Gulf of Mexico; to rename the Gulf of Mexico as the "Gulf of America"; and to require all state and local entities and all employees of those entities to observe and implement the name change, where practicable. | Passed by House on 4/17/25 | As of 5/1/2025 |
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| <p>HB280 - Reps. Almond, Brinyark, Lamb - County and Municipal Government - First Read: 13-FEB-25</p> | <p>Under existing law, a municipality may commence an action to abate or enjoin a public nuisance. This bill would authorize a public institution of higher education to commence an action to abate or enjoin a public nuisance. This bill would also authorize a municipality or public institution of higher education to seek reimbursement for expenses incurred related to an improperly permitted event.</p> | <p>Passed by House on 2/27/25</p> <p>Reported out of Senate Committee on Judiciary; Read for the second time and placed on the Calendar</p> | <p>As of 3/19/2025; House adopted Substitute</p> |
| <p>HB281 - Reps. Almond, Brinyark, Lamb - Judiciary - First Read: 13-FEB-25</p> | <p>Relating to municipal zoning boards of adjustment; to amend Section 11-52-81, Code of Alabama 1975, to further provide for the appeal of final decisions of zoning boards of adjustment to the circuit court.</p> | <p>Enacted on 5/14/25 as Act #2025-331</p> | <p>As of 5/14/2025</p> |
| <p>HB286 - Reps. Paramore, Sorrells, Marques, Clouse, Lee - County and Municipal Government - First Read: 13-FEB-25</p> <p>SB36 - Sen. Kitchens - County and Municipal Government - First Read: 4-FEB-25</p> | <p>Relating to public contracts; to amend Sections 41-4-124, 41-4-132, 41-4-136, 41-4-161, 41-4-164, 41-16-82, 41-16-83, 41-16-85, and 41-16-87, Code of Alabama 1975; to provide further for who is subject to state competitive bid laws; to provide further for electronic bid submissions; to provide further for the procedures for protesting certain competitive bid contracts; and to revise requirements for disclosure statement forms.</p> | <p>Reported Out of House Committee on County and Municipal Government; Read for the second time and placed on Calendar</p> <p>Enacted on 5/6/2025 as Act #2025-35</p> | <p>As of 5/6/2025</p> |
| <p>SB29 - Sen. Elliott - County and Municipal Government - First Read: 4-FEB-25</p> | <p>State and local law may establish deadlines for when a government agency must take action on an application for a license, permit, or other certification. This bill would require a state or local governmental body, if no law provides for a time frame, to approve or deny any application for a license, permit, or other certification within 45 days of receiving the application and any applicable public notice and comment period closes, in certain circumstances.</p> | <p>Reported Out of House Committee on County and Municipal Government with Substitute; Read for the second time and placed on Calendar</p> | <p>As of 2/11/2025</p> |
| <p>SB42 - Sen. Melson - Agriculture, Conservation, & Forestry - First Read: 4-FEB-25</p> | <p>Relating to highways, roads, and bridges; to amend Section 23-1-45, Code of Alabama 1975; to allow a surrounding land owner to petition a governing body to deed abandoned, condemned property which was used to construct a road back to the land owner when the road is no longer being used for the original purpose it was purchased and conditions have rendered the road useless.</p> | <p>Enacted on 5/21/25 as Act #2025-426</p> | <p>As of 5/21/2025</p> |
| <p>SB91 - Sens. Kelley and Jones - Veterans & Military Affairs - First Read: 4-FEB-25</p> <p>HB329 - Reps. Starnes, Rehm, & Pascal - County and Municipal Government: 25-FEB-25</p> | <p>Relating to military installations; to amend Sections 11-106-3, 11-106-4, and 11-106-6, Code of Alabama 1975, to revise the definition of the term "military installation"; to require persons to obtain the approval of a local government before constructing a tall structure within a certain distance of a military installation; to authorize local governments to seek enjoyment of the construction of a tall structure in certain circumstances; and to make conforming changes.</p> | <p>Enacted on 4/16/2025 as Act #2025-139</p> <p>Reported out of House Committee on County & Municipal Government with 2 Amendments; Read for second time and placed on Calendar</p> | <p>As of 4/16/2025</p> <p>As of 3/5/25</p> |

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| <p>SB121 - Sen. Elliott - County & Municipal Government - First Read: 6-FEB-25</p> | <p>Under existing law, before entering into any contract for a public works involving an amount in excess of \$100,000, an awarding authority must advertise for sealed bids in a specified manner, which generally includes advertisement by newspaper once a week for three consecutive weeks. This bill would provide additional means by which the required public notice of the public contract may be published, including a method of publication on a website, application, or other digital platform maintained by the Department of Finance for the purpose of providing public notice.</p> | <p>Reported Out of Senate Committee on County and Municipal Government with 1 Amendment; Read for the second time and placed on Calendar</p> | <p>As of 2/11/2025</p> |
| <p>SB149 - Sen. Kitchens - County & Municipal Government - First Read: 11-FEB-25</p> <p>HB320 - Rep. Pringle - State Government - First Read: 20-FEB-25</p> | <p>Relating to contracts for public works; to amend Section 39-2-2, Code of Alabama 1975, to further provide for the requirement to publish public notice of the contract; and to establish the Study Commission on Public Notice of Title 39 Advertisements.</p> | <p>Read for the first time and referred to the Senate Committee on County and Municipal Government</p> <p>Enacted on 5/14/25 as Act #2025-383</p> | <p>As of 2/11/2025</p> <p>As of 5/14/2025</p> |
| <p>HB335 - Reps. Whitt and Shaw - Economic Development & Tourism - First Read: 25-FEB-25</p> | <p>Relating to building permits; to authorize a county or municipality to levy an additional residential building permit fee to be deposited into the Alabama Construction Trade Academy Fund; and to amend Section 34-14A-20, Code of Alabama 1975, to provide further for awarding of grants from the fund.</p> | <p>Enacted on 5/14/25 as Act #2025-398</p> | <p>As of 5/14/2025</p> |
| <p>HB407 - Rep. Ingram - County and Municipal Government - First Read: 6-MAR-25</p> | <p>Related to local redevelopment authorities; to amend Section 11-92C-8, Code of Alabama 1975, regarding the powers of a local redevelopment authority; to authorize the authority to require a payment in lieu of tax for transient occupancy tax; and to require these authorities to report certain payments in lieu of taxes to the Department of Revenue.</p> | <p>Enacted on 5/14/25 as Act #2025-323</p> | <p>As of 5/14/2025</p> |
| <p>HB566 - Rep. Easterbrook - Commerce and Small Business - First Read: 10-APR-25</p> | <p>Under existing law, the construction plans for a single family residence with a total area of less than 2,500 square feet does not need the approval of a registered architect. This bill would prohibit any county and certain municipalities from requiring the approval of a registered architect or professional engineer on plans for the construction of a single family residence under three stories in height.</p> | <p>Read for the first time and referred to the House Committee on Commerce and Small Business</p> | <p>As of 4/10/2025; difference between this bill and HB241 is this bill would not apply to Baldwin County</p> |
| <p>SB342 - Sens. Coleman-Madison, Coleman et al. - County and Municipal Government - First Read: 22-APR-25</p> | <p>Under existing law, the acquisition of real property by local land bank authorities is subject to certain restrictions on the procedure, geographic location, and costs. This bill would provide a shortened redemption period for a tax delinquent property that is not acquired by an open market bidder at a tax sale auction, would authorize a local government or a local land bank authority to purchase property at public auction by tendering the minimum bid in the absence of open market bids, and would limit the geographical boundaries of local land bank authority acquisitions. This bill would provide for the creation of multijurisdictional local land bank authorities by intergovernmental agreements and a property tax exemption for a property owned by a local land bank authority; authorize local governments to allocate a portion of local property tax revenues to local land bank authorities; authorize a local land bank authority to convey properties to state and local governments for flood plain management and storm water drainage; and authorize the Governor to create a local land bank authority by executive order following a declaration of state of emergency. This bill would also make nonsubstantive, technical revisions to update the existing code language to current style.</p> | <p>Read for the first time and referred to the Senate Committee on County and Municipal Government</p> | <p>As of 4/22/2025</p> |