

1 HB170  
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3 By Representative Ball  
4 RFD: Ethics and Campaign Finance  
5 First Read: 19-MAR-19

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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing elections law, it is a Class  
9 C felony for a person to attempt to use his or her  
10 official authority or position for the purpose of  
11 influencing the vote for political action of any  
12 person.

13 This bill would move this provision to the  
14 ethics code.

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16 A BILL  
17 TO BE ENTITLED  
18 AN ACT

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20 Relating to public officials; to renumber Section  
21 17-17-4, Code of Alabama 1975, which provides that a person  
22 who uses his or her official authority to influence a vote or  
23 political action commits a Class C felony, as Section  
24 36-25-27.1.

25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

26 Section 1. Section 17-17-4, Code of Alabama 1975, is  
27 renumbered as Section 36-25-27.1 to read as follows:

1                   "~~§17-17-4.~~ §36-25-27.1.

2                   "Any person who attempts to use his or her official  
3 authority or position for the purpose of influencing the vote  
4 or political action of any person shall be guilty, upon  
5 conviction, of a Class C felony."

6                   Section 2. This act shall become effective on the  
7 first day of the third month following its passage and  
8 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.