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**ALABAMA** 2006 REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 325

REP(S). BY REPRESENTATIVES MORRISON AND PAYNE  
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**SYNOPSIS:** URGING THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO INCLUDE INSTRUCTION ON ORGAN DONATION IN DRIVER EDUCATION PROGRAM.

**TEXT:** WHEREAS, according to the website of the United Network for Organ Sharing, as of 12:17 pm on Tuesday, February 21, 2006, there were 91,045 men, women, and children awaiting life-saving transplants, every 12 minutes another name is added to the waiting list, and an average of 17 people die each day from the lack of available organs for transplant; and

WHEREAS, in 1998, the Alabama Department of Public Safety redesigned the Alabama driver's license to clearly indicate the intent of the holder to donate his or her organs and tissue, provides brochures regarding organ donation to each applicant for a driver's license, and has actively promoted organ and tissue donation; and

WHEREAS, public schools throughout the state routinely offer programs of driver education and training; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the State Department of Education is strongly urged to include instruction and information regarding organ and tissue donation in any program of driver education and training offered by the public schools of this state and that a copy of this resolution be provided to the State Superintendent of Education as an indication of our profound sentiment on this issue.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the information include, but not be limited to, the distribution of topical brochures, a discussion of current statistics and the benefits of organ donation, and instruction on the procedures to place the organ donor designation on a driver's license.

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