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SYNOPSIS: This bill would require an administrative fee to be included in every bond issue authorized by the State of Alabama and any State Agency or State created public authority; and would distribute proceeds from the administrative fee to the Alabama Economic Development Trust Fund created by this bill.

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to the issuance of bonds by the State of Alabama and any State Agency or State created public authority; to require an administrative fee to be included in each and every bond issued; to create the Alabama Economic Development Trust Fund to receive proceeds from the administrative fee.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:
Section 1. (a) Each and every bond issue authorized by the State of Alabama and any State Agency or State created public authority shall include an administrative fee of 2% to be taken from the proceeds of the bonds issued. These funds shall be for the purpose of enhancing economic development in Alabama and shall be placed in the Alabama Economic Development Trust Fund created by subsection (b).

(b) There is hereby created a fund in the State Treasury to be known as the Alabama Economic Development Trust Fund. Funds collected from the administrative fee charged on bonds issued by the State of Alabama, and any State Agency or State created public authority shall be placed into this fund and used for the purpose of economic development as defined in Amendment 666 in the Constitution of Alabama, 1901. Any funds deposited to the Alabama Economic Development Trust Fund shall be appropriated to and expended by the Alabama Development Office.

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