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## AG SUPPORTS LAW ENFORCEMENT CONSOLIDATION BILL

(MONTGOMERY) – Attorney General Luther Strange today expressed his support for legislation to streamline law enforcement in Alabama, consolidating a multitude of agencies for more effective operations and more efficient use of scarce resources. Senate Bill 108, sponsored by Senator Del Marsh, has been approved by the Alabama Senate and this morning passed the Public Safety and Homeland Security Committee of the House of Representatives.

“This legislation has been carefully crafted to provide important reforms that make our law enforcement stronger and give it the ability to operate more efficiently to protect the people of Alabama,” said Attorney General Strange. “Our State Troopers are overextended and have not received pay raises in many years. In addition, many areas in our state lack sufficient law enforcement resources to investigate crimes such as rural theft. I have been discussing these concerns with Senator Marsh, and I have received assurances from him that a portion of the savings this consolidation achieves will be reinvested to give our State Troopers the pay they deserve, a well-earned increase in their compensation, and to provide our state with agricultural investigators to protect our rural communities. I am confident that the involved agencies and employees will work together and benefit from this cooperative team effort. Our men and women in law enforcement deserve our gratitude for their daily dedication to our State, and I thank them for their service.”

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