



# ACT #2025 - 206

1 HB168  
2 9N7EMBM-2  
3 By Representative Treadaway  
4 RFD: Urban and Rural Development  
5 First Read: 05-Feb-25



HB168 Enrolled



Enrolled, An Act,

Relating to local emergency management organizations;  
to amend Section 31-9-9, Code of Alabama 1975, to further  
provide for mutual aid agreements with other public or private  
agencies for reciprocal aid to protect public health and  
safety; to vest the authority in the governing body; to amend  
Section 31-9-11, Code of Alabama 1975, to further provide that  
employees of political subdivisions have the same powers and  
immunities when they act outside of the political subdivision  
pursuant to a mutual aid agreement; and to make nonsubstantive  
changes to update the existing code language to current style.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Sections 31-9-9 and 31-9-11, Code of Alabama  
1975, are amended to read as follows:

"§31-9-9

(a) The ~~director~~governing body of each local  
organization for emergency management may develop ~~or cause to~~  
~~be developed~~ mutual aid agreements with other public and  
private agencies within this state for reciprocal emergency  
management aid and assistance in case of disaster too great to  
be dealt with unassisted. The governing body may also develop  
or cause to be developed mutual aid agreements with other  
public or private agencies within the state for reciprocal aid  
and assistance to protect the public peace, health, and  
safety, and to preserve the lives and property of the people  
of the state. Such agreements shall be consistent with the  
state emergency management plan and program, and a copy of



each ~~such~~ agreement shall be filed with the State Director of Emergency Management immediately after being entered into. ~~In time of emergency it shall be the duty of each~~ Each local organization for emergency management ~~to~~ shall render assistance in accordance with the provisions of ~~such~~ the mutual aid agreements.

(b) The ~~director~~ governing body of each local organization for emergency management may assist in negotiation of reciprocal mutual aid agreements between the Governor and adjoining states or political subdivisions thereof, and shall carry out any such agreement relating to the local and political subdivision.

(c) The ~~directors~~ governing body of each local organization for emergency management may develop ~~or cause to be developed~~ mutual aid agreements with federally recognized Indian tribes located within the state.

(d) For purposes of this section, "governing body" means the political subdivision establishing the local organization for emergency management pursuant to Section 31-9-10."

"§31-9-11

Whenever the employees of any political subdivision are rendering outside aid pursuant to a mutual aid agreement authorized by Section 31-9-9 or the authority contained in Section 31-9-10, ~~such~~ the employees shall have the same powers, duties, rights, privileges, and immunities as if they were performing their duties in the political subdivisions in which they are normally employed."

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57           Section 2. This act shall become effective on October  
58   1, 2025.



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68 Speaker of the House of Representatives  
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78 I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and  
79 was passed by the House 13-Feb-25.  
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81 John Treadwell  
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88 Senate

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Passed

APPROVED

TIME

GOVERNOR

Alabama Secretary Of State

Act Num....: 2025-206  
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ORIGINAL  
House Bill No. 168  
Project No. 9N7EMBM-1  
Profile Date

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#### HOUSE ACTION

DATE: 2-5 2025  
RD 1 RFD (21P-1)

#### REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

This bill having been referred by the House to its standing committee on U+BD was acted upon by such committee in session, and returned therefrom to the House with the recommendation that it be Passed, w/amend(s)        w/sub        this 12 day of Feb, 2025.  
Patrick Harris, Chair

DATE: 2-12 2025  
RF        RD 2 CAL       

DATE:        20        
RE-REFERRED ☐ RE-COMMITTED ☐  
Committee       

DATE:        20        
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Committee       

I hereby certify that the Resolution as required in Section C of Act No. 81-889 was adopted and is attached to the Bill, HB 168.  
YEAS 102 NAYS 0

JOHN TREADWELL,  
Clerk

FURTHER HOUSE ACTION (OVER)

#### SENATE ACTION VMA

DATE: 2-18 2025  
RD 1 RFD VMA

This Bill was referred to the Standing Committee of the Senate on VMA and was acted upon by such Committee in session and is by order of the Committee returned therefrom with a favorable report w/amd(s)        w/sub        w/eng sub        by a vote of yeas 8 nays 0 abstain        this 17 day of February 2025.  
Patrick Harris, Chair

DATE: 2-27 2025  
RF        RD2 ☒ CAL ☐

I hereby certify that the Resolution as required in Section C of Act No. 81-889 was adopted and is attached to the Bill, HB 168.  
YEAS 32 NAYS 0

PATRICK HARRIS,  
Secretary

DATE: 4-8-25 RD 3 at length  
PASSED ☒ PASSED AS AMENDED ☐

YEAS 32 NAYS 0  
And was ordered returned forthwith to the House  
PATRICK HARRIS,  
Secretary

DATE:        20        
INDEFINITELY POSTPONED YEAS        NAYS       

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RECONSIDERED YEAS        NAYS       

FURTHER SENATE ACTION (OVER)