

1 HB299
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3 By Representatives Pettus, Greer and Ball
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8 SYNOPSIS: Currently, appointed members of the Board of
9 Trustees of the University of North Alabama (UNA)
10 serve terms of office of 12 years.

11 This bill would provide for six-year terms
12 of office for board members.

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14 A BILL
15 TO BE ENTITLED
16 AN ACT

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18 To amend Section 16-51-3, Code of Alabama 1975,
19 relating to the Board of Trustees of the University of North
20 Alabama (UNA); to provide further for the terms of office for
21 board members of UNA.

22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

23 Section 1. Section 16-51-3, Code of Alabama 1975, is
24 hereby amended to read as follows:

25 "§16-51-3.

26 "There is hereby created a Board of Trustees for the
27 University of North Alabama, the state educational institution

1 at Florence, Alabama. The board of trustees shall consist of
2 six members who are residents of the seventh and eighth
3 congressional districts, at least two of whom shall be
4 residents of the county in which the institution is located,
5 and three members from the state at large, the State
6 Superintendent of Education and the Governor, who shall be ex
7 officio president of the board. The trustees shall be
8 appointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent
9 of the Senate and, except for the first trustees appointed,
10 shall hold office for a term of 12 years, until 2015, and
11 until their successors shall be appointed and qualified. ~~The~~
12 ~~board shall be divided into three classes, as nearly equal as~~
13 ~~may be, so that one third may be chosen quadrennially. Of the~~
14 ~~first members appointed to the board, one third shall be~~
15 ~~appointed for terms of four years, one third for terms of~~
16 ~~eight years and one third for terms of 12 years. Beginning in~~
17 2015, the board shall be divided into three groups, so that
18 reappointments may be made each two years. In 2015, three
19 members shall be appointed for terms of two years, and three
20 members shall be appointed for terms of four years, and three
21 members shall be appointed for terms of six years. Thereafter,
22 all successor members shall be appointed for six-year terms. A
23 trustee may be reappointed to additional terms. No trustee
24 shall receive any pay or emolument other than his actual
25 expenses incurred in the discharge of his duties as such. No
26 employee of the university shall be eligible to serve on its
27 board of trustees."

1 Section 2. This act shall become effective
2 immediately following its passage and approval by the
3 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.