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Irons Appointed to Serve on the Alabama Women's Commission

MONTGOMERY, AL- Sen. Tammy Irons-D (Florence) was recently appointed to the Alabama Women's Commission by President Pro Tempore of the Senate, Del Marsh- R (Anniston).

"I am honored to be given this opportunity and I look forward to working with this group to ensure that effective policies and legislation will be pursued for the women of Alabama" Irons said. According to Irons, "It is imperative that we as legislators make it a priority to see that women are represented state wide."

The Alabama Women's Commission was established in 1971. AWC's main objective is to pursue an ongoing effort for the determination of effective policy and legislation in various areas affecting Alabama women. The statutory functions of the Commission are generally to study the status of women in Alabama and to make recommendations to the Governor and Legislature annually for constructive action in the following specific areas; 1)Public and private employment policies and practices; 2) Labor laws dealing with hours, wages and working conditions; 3)Legal rights and responsibilities; 4)Policies and practices with regard to education, counseling and job training; 5)Citizen volunteers; and 6)Home and community.

The Commission is composed of three members from the House of Representatives, appointed by the Speaker of the House; two members of the Senate, appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; and 10 additional members appointed by the Governor. Sen. Irons will join Sen. Vivian Figures- D (Mobile) as the second legislative appointment from the Senate.

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