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## Bob Riley banner puts politics in play at BCS championship game in Pasadena

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A banner-towing company has been hired to give Alabama fans attending the BCS national championship game in Pasadena tonight some political advice: Dump their governor.

Arnold Aerial Advertising will fly a 30-by-100-foot banner reading "Impeach Corrupt Alabama Gov. Bob Riley" from noon to 4 p.m. above tailgating fans at the Rose Bowl, said spokesman Zim Barstein. The New York City-based company was hired Wednesday for about \$3,000 for the job, but is prohibited from disclosing who hired them.

Riley is serving his second term as governor of the "Heart of Dixie," and term limits prohibit him from running for reelection this year.

Though the banner-towing company typically does more traditional advertising, it is perhaps most memorable locally for an incident last summer when they flew a banner over Southern California beaches urging retired basketball star Reggie Miller to stop pursuing married women.

The Riley banner may attract some eyes, but it is likely most Alabamans in attendance will be slightly distracted: Their Crimson Tide will take on the Texas Longhorns in the championship game at 5 p.m. Both teams are undefeated and have not met in 28 years.