

April 19, 2000

TO THE MISSISSIPPI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

I am directed by the Governor to advise you that he has approved the following House Bills:

H.B. NO. 199: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 41-79-5, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO EXTEND THE DATE OF THE REPEALER ON THE PROVISION THAT ALLOWS LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO RECEIVE STATE MATCHING FUNDS FOR SCHOOL NURSE INTERVENTION PROGRAMS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 18, 2000; 5:45 AM)

H.B. NO. 214: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 93-5-24, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT THERE SHALL BE NO PRESUMPTION THAT CHILD CUSTODY SHOULD BE AWARDED TO THE MOTHER DURING DIVORCE PROCEEDINGS; TO AMEND SECTION 93-5-23, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, IN CONFORMITY THERETO; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 18, 2000; 6:46 AM)

H.B. NO. 252: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 41-89-1, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO EXTEND THE DATE OF THE REPEALER ON THE INFANT MORTALITY TASK FORCE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 18, 2000; 6:47 AM)

H.B. NO. 335: AN ACT TO REENACT SECTIONS 55-15-51 THROUGH 55-15-61, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, WHICH CREATE THE MISSISSIPPI VETERANS MONUMENT COMMISSION AND PRESCRIBE ITS POWERS AND DUTIES; TO AMEND SECTION 55-15-63, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO EXTEND THE DATE OF REPEAL ON THE MISSISSIPPI VETERANS MONUMENT COMMISSION; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 18, 2000; 6:48 AM)

H.B. NO. 337: AN ACT TO REENACT SECTIONS 7-5-301, 7-5-303, 7-5-305, 7-5-307 AND 7-5-309, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, WHICH CREATE THE INSURANCE INTEGRITY ENFORCEMENT BUREAU AND PROVIDE FUNDING AND PRESCRIBE ITS POWERS AND DUTIES AND PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION; TO AMEND SECTION 7-5-311, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO EXTEND THE DATE OF THE REPEALER FROM JULY 1, 2000, TO JULY 1, 2003; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 18, 2000; 5:49 AM)

H.B. NO. 445: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 83-39-7, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT IF A BAIL BOND IS NOT FORFEITED CORRECTLY, IT SHALL BE RETURNED TO THE COURT AS UNCOLLECTIBLE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 18, 2000; 6:50 AM)

H.B. NO. 446: AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MONROE COUNTY TO CONTRIBUTE FUNDS, IN AMOUNTS NOT EXCEEDING \$5,000.00 PER YEAR, TO THE MONROE COUNTY SHRINE CLUB FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE COSTS OF TRANSPORTING BURN VICTIMS TRAVELING TO OR FROM THE SHRINERS HOSPITAL IN SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA, AND THE SHRINERS BURN CENTER IN GALVESTON, TEXAS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 18, 2000; 6:51 AM)

H.B. NO. 546: AN ACT TO REENACT SECTIONS 57-10-401 THROUGH 57-10-445 AND SECTION 27-7-22.3, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, WHICH PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS BY THE MISSISSIPPI BUSINESS FINANCE CORPORATION TO FINANCE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN ORDER TO INDUCE THE LOCATION OR EXPANSION OF MANUFACTURING FACILITIES WITHIN THIS STATE, AND PROVIDE FOR A CREDIT AGAINST STATE INCOME TAXES FOR CERTAIN COMPANIES FOR DEBT SERVICE PAID BY SUCH COMPANIES UNDER FINANCING AGREEMENTS ENTERED INTO WITH THE MISSISSIPPI BUSINESS FINANCE CORPORATION, AND PROVIDE FOR A CREDIT AGAINST STATE INCOME TAXES FOR EMPLOYEES OF CERTAIN COMPANIES WHO PAY JOB DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT FEES IN THE AMOUNT OF SUCH FEES; TO AMEND SECTION 57-10-449, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO EXTEND THE DATE OF THE REPEALER FROM OCTOBER 1, 2000, TO OCTOBER 1, 2001; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 18, 2000; 5:52 AM)

H.B. NO. 608: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 25-1-15, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REQUIRE THAT NEW BONDS SHALL BE SECURED EVERY FOUR YEARS FOR CERTAIN PUBLIC OFFICERS AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 18, 2000; 5:53 AM)

H.B. NO. 642: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 41-29-115, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE THE LIST OF SCHEDULE II CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES; TO AMEND SECTION 41-29-117, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE THE LIST OF SCHEDULE III CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES; TO AMEND SECTION 41-29-119, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE THE LIST OF SCHEDULE IV CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 18, 2000; 5:54 AM)

H.B. NO. 667: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 19-11-27, 21-35-27 AND 31-7-13, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO DELETE THE EXEMPTION FROM CERTAIN EXPENDITURE PROHIBITIONS OF BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS AND GOVERNING AUTHORITIES OF MUNICIPALITIES DURING THE LAST YEAR OF THE TERMS OF OFFICE FOR MEMBERS OF SUCH BOARDS AND GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 18, 2000; 5:55 AM)

H.B. NO. 712: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 45-14-31, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO INCREASE THE SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR RADIOLOGICAL HEALTH LICENSES AND PERMITS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 18, 2000; 5:57 AM)

H.B. NO. 763: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 23-15-33, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT EVERY PERSON WHO IS ENTITLED TO BE REGISTERED AS AN ELECTOR IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THIS STATE AND WHO REGISTERS TO VOTE PURSUANT TO THE NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION ACT OF 1993 SHALL BE REGISTERED BY THE REGISTRAR ON THE REGISTRATION BOOKS OF THE VOTING PRECINCT OF THE RESIDENCE OF SUCH PERSON; TO PROVIDE THAT EVERY PERSON WHO IS ENTITLED TO BE REGISTERED AS AN ELECTOR IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THIS STATE AND WHO HAS REGISTERED TO VOTE IN FEDERAL ELECTIONS PURSUANT TO THE NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION ACT OF 1993, PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT, SHALL BE REGISTERED BY THE REGISTRAR ON THE REGISTRATION BOOKS OF THE VOTING PRECINCT OF THE RESIDENCE OF SUCH PERSON; TO AMEND SECTIONS 23-15-11 AND 23-15-13, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE A PERSON DOES NOT HAVE TO BE A RESIDENT FOR 30 DAYS IN THE SUPERVISORS DISTRICT IN WHICH HE OFFERS TO VOTE AND TO AUTHORIZE A VOTER'S REGISTRATION TO BE TRANSFERRED WHEN HE MOVES TO A NEW VOTING PRECINCT WITHIN THE SAME COUNTY AT ANY TIME UP TO 30 DAYS BEFORE THE ELECTION; TO AMEND SECTION 23-15-153, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT THE REMOVAL OF NAMES FROM THE REGISTRATION BOOKS AND POLLBOOKS BASED ON A CHANGE IN THE RESIDENCE OF THE ELECTOR MUST BE DONE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROCEDURES PROVIDED FOR BY THE NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION ACT OF 1993; TO PROVIDE THAT THE NAMES OF ALL VOTERS WHOSE REGISTRATION HAS BEEN CANCELLED AS A RESULT OF THE ELECTOR NOT VOTING FOR FOUR SUCCESSIVE YEARS SHALL BE RETURNED TO THE REGISTRATION BOOKS AND POLLBOOKS AND SHALL BE TREATED IN THE SAME MANNER AS ELECTORS WHO HAVE CHANGED THEIR PLACE OF RESIDENCE; TO DESIGNATE THE SECRETARY OF STATE AS MISSISSIPPI'S CHIEF ELECTION OFFICER FOR PURPOSES OF THE NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION ACT OF 1993; TO REPEAL SECTION 23-15-159, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, WHICH REQUIRES THAT THE NAMES OF PERSONS WHO HAVE NOT VOTED IN AT LEAST ONE ELECTION IN THE LAST FOUR SUCCESSIVE YEARS BE ERASED FROM THE REGISTRATION BOOKS AND POLLBOOKS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. (April 18, 2000; 6:00 AM)

Respectfully submitted,

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