February 27, 2001

TO THE MISSISSIPPI STATE SENATE:

I am directed by the Governor to advise you that he has approved the following Senate Bill:

S.B. NO. 2424: AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 43-13-117, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO DIRECT THE DIVISION OF MEDICAID TO ESTABLISH A MEDICARE UPPER PAYMENT LIMITS PROGRAM FOR HOSPITAL REIMBURSEMENT PURPOSES PURSUANT TO FEDERAL LAW, AND TO MAKE AN ASSESSMENT ON PARTICIPATING HOSPITALS TO FINANCE THE STATE PORTION OF THE PROGRAM; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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Respectfully submitted,

Erich Howard Legislative Aide