

By: Representative Blackmon

To: Judiciary A

HOUSE BILL NO. 114

1 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON
2 COMPILATION, REVISION AND PUBLICATION OF LEGISLATION TO COMPILE
3 ALL CRIMINAL STATUTES INTO SEPARATE VOLUMES TO BE KNOWN AS THE
4 MISSISSIPPI PENAL CODE; TO AMEND SECTIONS 1-1-55 AND 1-1-57,
5 MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, IN CONFORMITY TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS
6 ACT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

8 SECTION 1. The Joint Legislative Committee on Compilation,
9 Revision and Publication of Legislation shall compile all criminal
10 statutes, probation and parole statutes, criminal procedure
11 statutes and any other statutes dealing with criminal law into
12 separate volumes from the current volumes of the Mississippi Code
13 of 1972 and to provide supplements thereto. The volumes so
14 compiled shall be known as the Mississippi Penal Code. Such
15 volumes shall be made available on a cost basis to all courts,
16 court clerks, members of the Mississippi Bar, the state or any
17 agency or political subdivision thereof, any state supported
18 institution of higher learning and to the public. The cost
19 assessed for the Mississippi Penal Code shall be sufficient to
20 cover all costs of producing and distributing the Mississippi
21 Penal Code.

22 SECTION 2. Section 1-1-55, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
23 amended as follows:

24 1-1-55. Upon the approval and acceptance of said manuscript
25 by the Attorney General, the same shall be printed in insertable
26 pocket supplement form or replacement bound volume or volumes
27 where necessary, containing appropriate chapters, titles and
28 subdivisions of titles in the same arrangement as now appears in

29 the Mississippi Code of 1972. The Joint Legislative Committee on
30 Compilation, Revision and Publication of Legislation shall provide
31 supplements to the Mississippi Penal Code as provided in Section 1
32 of this act. The provisions of this section shall stand repealed
33 on July 1, 1998.

34 SECTION 3. Section 1-1-57, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
35 amended as follows:

36 1-1-57. The Joint Committee on Compilation, Revision and
37 Publication of Legislation shall purchase such numbers of sets of
38 the pocket part supplements and the replacement volumes, including
39 index replacement volumes, as may be required to maintain in a
40 current status the sets of the Code of 1972 authorized to be
41 furnished under the provisions of Section 1-1-11, and shall
42 distribute or provide for the distribution of the same to the
43 proper parties. In furtherance of the State Library's reciprocal
44 program of Code exchange with libraries of the several states, the
45 joint committee shall, at the direction and only upon the written
46 request of the State Librarian, distribute or provide for the
47 distribution of those supplements and replacement volumes to such
48 libraries. The Joint Legislative Committee on Compilation,
49 Revision and Publication of Legislation shall compile the
50 Mississippi Penal Code as provided in Section 1 of this act.

51 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from
52 and after its passage.