

By: Representative Simpson

To: Judiciary A

HOUSE BILL NO. 1159

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 89-5-13, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 REVISE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECORDED DEEDS; AND FOR RELATED
3 PURPOSES.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 89-5-13, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
6 amended as follows:

7 89-5-13. (1) Concerning an interest in land, whenever an
8 instrument of conveyance (including but not limited to a deed of
9 trust or assignment), release, termination or cancellation which
10 contains a defective acknowledgement has been of record seven (7)
11 years or more in the land records of the county in which the said
12 land is located, * * * the acknowledgment shall be good without
13 regard to the form of the certificate of acknowledgment.

14 (2) Any such instrument which has been of record for twenty
15 (20) years and which bears no acknowledgement shall likewise be
16 treated as if properly acknowledged.

17 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
18 and after July 1, 1999.