By: Senator(s) White (29th)

To: Judiciary

SENATE BILL NO. 2203

1 AN ACT TO REQUIRE CONFIDENTIALITY OF MEDICAL AND 2 INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS CONCERNING CASES OF RAPE OR OTHER SEX 3 CRIMES. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 4 5 SECTION 1. (1) Whenever any statute of this state, or any ordinance or resolution of a municipal corporation or county, or 6 7 any rule of an administrative agency, requires medical practitioners or other persons to report cases of rape or other 8 9 sex crimes to any governmental agency or officer, such reports 10 shall be confidential. (2) The identity of any individual contained in an 11 12 investigation conducted pursuant to a report of rape or other sex crimes shall be confidential, and such identity shall not be 13 14 disclosed in any action of any kind.

15 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from 16 and after July 1, 1999.

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