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To: Agriculture

## SENATE BILL NO. 2411

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 69-7-253, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, 1 2 TO REDUCE THE SIZE OF THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE MISSISSIPPI EGG 3 MARKETING BOARD; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. BE IT ENACTED BY THE 4 LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 5 SECTION 1. Section 69-7-253, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 6 7 amended as follows: 8 69-7-253. There is hereby continued the Mississippi Egg Marketing Board with domicile at the capital city of the state. 9 10 The board shall be composed of <u>five (5)</u> members: one (1) member 11 shall be the Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce as ex officio member. One (1) member shall be an egg producer as 12 defined in this article. Three (3) members shall be employed by 13 14 or associated with egg industry related businesses, or disciplines which include poultry support, marketing, promotion, home 15 economist, extension poultry science agencies and the Mississippi 16 Department of Agriculture and Commerce. No more than one (1) 17 industry-related business or discipline member shall be employed 18 by, associated with or have a financial interest in the same 19 20 company or subsidiary. 21 The appointment of the members shall be made by the Governor of the State of Mississippi, with the advice and consent of the 22 Senate. All appointments shall be made for terms of six (6) years 23 from a list of not less than three (3) producers or three (3) 24 25 individuals representing egg industry related businesses or disciplines, provided by the board based upon a poll of its 26 members. Each member shall serve, after the completion of his 27

S. B. No. 2411 99\SS01\R705 PAGE 1 28 term, until his successor is appointed and duly qualified. Each 29 vacancy shall be filled by appointment for the unexpired term.

30 The terms of office of persons appointed under the original 31 act shall continue until the expiration of the terms to which they 32 were appointed, the intent of this article being to continue the 33 Mississippi Egg Marketing Board.

34 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from 35 and after July 1, 1999.