To: Finance

By: Senator(s) White (29th)

SENATE BILL NO. 3022

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 25-11-125, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REQUIRE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF EACH COUNTY TO PAY THE REQUIRED EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR EACH CONSTABLE HOLDING OFFICE IN THAT COUNTY; TO PROVIDE THAT THIS REQUIREMENT SHALL BE RETROACTIVE TO THE BEGINNING OF THE CONSTABLES' TERM OF OFFICE ON JANUARY 1, 1996; TO PROVIDE THAT IF ANY CONSTABLE HAS PAID THE EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS OUT OF HIS OWN FUNDS AFTER DECEMBER 31, 1995, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SHALL REIMBURSE THE CONSTABLE FOR THE AMOUNT HE PAID AFTER THAT DATE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.
11	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
12	SECTION 1. Section 25-11-125, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
13	amended as follows:
14	25-11-125. $\underline{(1)}$ The board of supervisors \underline{may} appropriate and
15	include in its budget for public purposes a sufficient sum to pay
16	the required employer contribution to the Public Employees'
17	Retirement System for all fee paid elected officials in judicial
18	capacities of the county and supervisors' districts, and such
19	contributions shall be included by the clerk of the board in his
20	regular reports and remittals to the Executive <u>Director</u> of the
21	Public Employees' Retirement System for other county officers and
22	regular county employees whose employer contributions are not
23	included in and paid from the annual county budget.
24	(2) The board of supervisors of each county shall
25	appropriate and include in its budget a sufficient sum to pay the
26	required employer contributions to the Public Employees'
27	Retirement System for each constable holding office in that
28	county, and such contributions shall be handled by the clerk of
29	the board in the manner required by subsection (1) of this
30	section. This requirement that the boards of supervisors pay the

- 31 <u>constables' employer contributions shall be retroactive to the</u>
- 32 <u>beginning of the constables' term of office on January 1, 1996.</u>
- 33 If any constable has paid the employer contributions to the
- 34 retirement system out of his own funds after December 31, 1995,
- 35 the board of supervisors of the county in which the constable
- 36 holds office shall reimburse the constable for the amount he paid
- 37 <u>as employer contributions after that date.</u>
- 38 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 39 and after October 1, 1999.