

By: Senator(s) Johnson (19th)

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 122

1 A RESOLUTION AWARDING THE "2-DOG DICKERSON" OUTSTANDING
2 FRESHMAN SENATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD FOR 1992 IN THE YEAR 1999.

3 WHEREAS, the Mississippi Senate has a longstanding tradition
4 of recognizing the Outstanding Freshman Senator of the Year; and

5 WHEREAS, the award has been named the "2-Dog Dickerson"
6 Outstanding Freshman Senator of the Year Award in honor of Senator
7 Tommy Dickerson who gained particular distinction for his
8 positions on various dog hunting legislation as a freshman in
9 1993; and

10 WHEREAS, in 1996, the 2-Dog Dickerson honoree was Senator Tim
11 "Hound Dog" Johnson who gained particular distinction for his
12 moving rendition of "You Ain't Nothing But A Hound Dog"; and

13 WHEREAS, in 1997, the 2-Dog Dickerson honoree was Senator Ron
14 "Wolf Dog" Farris who gained particular distinction for passing a
15 bill which prohibits cruelty to canines and for being the lone
16 vote against the "wolf-dog" bill; and

17 WHEREAS, the 1998 2-Dog Dickerson honoree was Senator Charlie
18 "Bird Dog" Ross who gained particular distinction for passing a
19 bill revamping the duties of the State Veterinarian and the Board
20 of Animal Health which improved the health and rights of all dogs
21 in Mississippi; and

22 WHEREAS, it is most fitting that Senators "2-Dog" Dickerson,
23 "Hound Dog" Johnson, "Wolf Dog" Farris and "Bird Dog" Ross honor
24 their predecessor at this time, thus continuing the dubious
25 tradition; and

26 WHEREAS, this year's winner was recognized in 1992 before the

27 outstanding freshman award carried the coveted title of "2-Dog
28 Dickerson Outstanding Freshman of the Year Award"; and

29 WHEREAS, it is only fitting that the coveted title be
30 bestowed retroactively so the original honoree can also bear this
31 dubious distinction; and

32 WHEREAS, the 1999 honoree has not passed any bills of note
33 pertaining to dogs; and

34 WHEREAS, this year's honoree is known for his work on
35 appropriations for his dogged pursuit and treeing of sinecurists
36 in state government and for those not members of the elite corps
37 of cerebral canines; a sinecurist is one who holds a state job
38 that requires little or no work but has quite a hefty salary; and

39 WHEREAS, this year's honoree is the "biggest dog" among the
40 cornucopia of canine honorees; and

41 WHEREAS, this year's honoree with his stout wide body, square
42 jaw, determined visage and equable disposition bears an uncanny
43 countenance to the stalwart bulldog; and

44 WHEREAS, as surely as the sun rises in the East and the watch
45 dog bayeth before dawn, his rich melodious baritone bark resonates
46 through the chamber one-half hour before the Senate pack rises to
47 roll call; and

48 WHEREAS, the honoree's mellow and rich baritone call to the
49 wild senatorial pack and his affable bulldog countenance and
50 demeanor continues the uncanny canine tradition of the honorees:

51 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
52 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby congratulate Senator Terry "Bull
53 Dog" Burton upon his retroactive receipt of the prestigious "2-Dog
54 Dickerson" Outstanding Freshman Senator of the Year Award for 1992
55 given here in the year 1999.

56 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
57 "Bull Dog" Burton on April 1st.

58 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution not be
59 distributed to the Capitol Press Corps or to anyone else for that

60 matter.