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To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 123

AN ACT TO REVISE THE DESIGN OF THE STATE FLAG TO REPLACE THE 1 2 CENTER MULLET OR THE CENTER FIVE POINTED STAR LOCATED WITHIN THE 3 UNION SQUARE WITH A MAGNOLIA FLOWER; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 4 5 SECTION 1. The Mississippi State Flag shall have a width two-thirds (2/3) of its length, with the union square two-thirds 6 (2/3) of the width of the flag. The ground of the union shall be 7 8 red with a broad blue saltier thereon, bordered with white and emblazoned with twelve (12) mullets or five-pointed stars. In the 9 10 center of the twelve (12) mullets shall be a magnolia, the state flower. The field shall be divided into three (3) bars of equal 11 width, the upper one blue, the center one white, and the lower one 12 extending the whole length of the flag, red--the national colors. 13 The staff shall be surmounted with a spearhead and a battle-axe 14 15 below. The flag shall be fringed with gold, and the staff gilded with gold. 16

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2000.

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