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To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 669
(As Passed the House)

1 AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO PLACE A
2 DISTINCTIVE MARKER ON THE TOMBSTONE OF EACH MISSISSIPPI HIGHWAY
3 SAFETY PATROL OFFICER WHO IS KILLED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF HIS OR
4 HER OFFICIAL DUTIES AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE DESIGN AND FUNDING OF
5 THE DISTINCTIVE MARKER; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

7 SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Public Safety shall place
8 a distinctive marker on the tombstone of each Mississippi Highway
9 Safety Patrol officer who is killed in the performance of his or
10 her official duties. The distinctive marker shall be designed by
11 the Department of Public Safety with the advice and recommendation
12 of the Mississippi State Troopers' Association.

13 (2) The funding for the distinctive markers shall be made
14 from any funds appropriated by the Legislature to the Department
15 of Public Safety or from any gifts, grants or donations received
16 by the Department of Public Safety for the purpose of providing
17 the distinctive markers.

18 (3) This section shall apply to all Mississippi Highway
19 Safety Patrol officers who have given their lives in the
20 performance of their official duties before and after the
21 enactment of this act.

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