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To: Judiciary A

HOUSE BILL NO. 1495

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 11-27-89, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO INCREASE THE MAXIMUM COMPENSATION AUTHORIZED TO BE PAID FOR
3 APPRAISALS IN CERTAIN EMINENT DOMAIN PROCEEDINGS; AND FOR RELATED
4 PURPOSES.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 11-27-89, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
7 amended as follows:[JWB1]

8 11-27-89. The appraiser shall receive as compensation for
9 his services such sum, plus expenses, as the court * * * allows,
10 which shall be taxed as cost in the proceedings * * *. The sum
11 allowed shall be based upon the degree of difficulty and the time
12 required to perform the appraisal, but may not exceed One Thousand
13 Dollars (\$1,000.00) unless, in the opinion of the court, special
14 circumstances warrant a greater sum. An order granting a sum
15 greater than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) must describe in
16 detail the special circumstances that warrant payment of a greater
17 sum.

18 The making of a deposit by the plaintiff or the withdrawal of
19 said deposit by the defendant or defendants shall not prejudice
20 the right of any party to a trial by jury in the special court of
21 eminent domain to determine the fair market value of the property
22 to be condemned and the damages, if any, to the remainder if less
23 than the whole is taken, as provided in Sections 11-27-1 through
24 11-27-49.

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