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To: Fees, Salaries and  
Administration

SENATE BILL NO. 2401  
(As Passed the Senate)

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 19-25-31, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
2 TO PROVIDE THAT THE DAILY COMPENSATION PAID TO RIDING BAILIFFS  
3 SHALL EQUAL THE AMOUNT OF PER DIEM COMPENSATION PAID TO THE  
4 COMMISSIONERS OF ELECTION; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 19-25-31, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
7 amended as follows:

8 19-25-31. Each judge of a circuit, chancery or county court,  
9 or a court of eminent domain may, in the judge's discretion, by  
10 order entered on the minutes of the court, allow the sheriff  
11 riding bailiffs to serve in the respective court of such judge,  
12 not to exceed four (4) bailiffs. Any such person so employed  
13 shall be paid by the county on allowances of the court on issuance  
14 of a warrant therefor in an amount equal to the per diem  
15 compensation paid to the commissioners of election as provided in  
16 Section 23-15-153 for each day, or part thereof, for which he  
17 serves as bailiff when the court is in session. No full-time  
18 deputy sheriff shall be paid as a riding bailiff of any court.  
19 County court judges shall be limited to one (1) bailiff per each  
20 court day.

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