SENATE BILL NO. 2472
(As Sent to Governor)

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 73-27-1, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF THE PRACTICE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE; AND
FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 73-27-1, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
amended as follows:

73-27-1. (1) The practice of podiatric medicine is that
profession concerned with the prevention, examination, diagnosis
and medical, surgical and adjuvant treatment of conditions of the
human foot. For the purposes of this chapter, "foot" means that
part of the human anatomy which consists of the tarsal bones,
metatarsal bones and phalanges. *

(2) A podiatrist is a medical care provider who engages in
the practice of podiatric medicine.

(3) A podiatrist may prescribe and administer drugs and
tests, excluding general and spinal anesthesia, that are essential
to the practice of podiatric medicine when used for or in
connection with treatment of disorders of the human foot.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
and after its passage.