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To: County Affairs

SENATE BILL NO. 2713

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 19-3-71, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 AUTHORIZE COUNTY FIRE COORDINATORS TO PLACE SELECTIVE BANS ON
3 OUTDOOR FIRE BURNING ACTIVITIES DURING TIMES OF HIGH FIRE HAZARD
4 CONDITIONS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 19-3-71, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
7 amended as follows:[JMR1]

8 19-3-71. The board of supervisors in each county shall
9 appoint a county fire coordinator, and may compensate him from any
10 available county funds. The county fire coordinator shall serve
11 as a liaison between the Commissioner of Insurance and local
12 governments and shall be a fire fighter who is a member of a fire
13 crew of a volunteer or municipal fire department serving any fire
14 district, county or municipality. The county fire coordinator is
15 authorized to place selective bans on outdoor fire burning
16 activities during times of high fire hazard conditions. The
17 director of the local organization for emergency management
18 serving the county may be such coordinator if he is a fire fighter
19 as described in this section.

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