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To: Rules

## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 562

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE NEED TO INFORM  
2 MEDICAL PROVIDERS OF THE MEANS TO COMBAT ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE,  
3 AND URGING THE CARE PROVIDERS TO ADOPT THE CENTER FOR DISEASE  
4 CONTROL GUIDELINES.

5 WHEREAS, antibiotic-resistant infections are more likely to  
6 produce adverse health outcomes and are more costly to treat than  
7 susceptible infections; and

8 WHEREAS, the widespread use of antibiotics has increased the  
9 type and incidence of bacteria that are resistant to treatment by  
10 antibiotics; and

11 WHEREAS, antibiotic resistance is caused by the overuse of  
12 antibiotics in general, with overuse of selected agents in  
13 particular; and

14 WHEREAS, over the past five years the rate of penicillin  
15 resistance increased by more than 300% and the rate of cefotaxime  
16 resistance increased by more than 1,000%; and

17 WHEREAS, patients infected with antibiotic-resistant strains  
18 of bacteria can require hospitalization when otherwise unnecessary  
19 and be subject to an increased rate of death; and

20 WHEREAS, the process of creating antibiotic-resistance  
21 increases pharmaceutical costs through inappropriate prescribing  
22 of antibiotic agents and increases total healthcare costs the  
23 additional hospitalization and other forms of additional medical  
24 care required in the treatment of resistant strains of bacteria;  
25 and

26 WHEREAS, the federal Centers for Disease Control and  
27 Prevention (CDC) and American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) have

28 developed recommendations for health care professionals regarding  
29 best practices for the judicious use of antibiotics:

30       NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
31 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That  
32 the State of Mississippi endorses the CDC/AAP recommendations and  
33 urges each health care professional and managed care plan  
34 operating in Mississippi to adopt the recommendations in their  
35 practice and formularies.

36       BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be  
37 forwarded to the State Health Officer for appropriate action and  
38 be made available to the Capitol Press Corps.