HOUSE BILL NO. 193

AN ACT TO CREATE A NEW CODE SECTION TO AUTHORIZE THE
COMMISSIONER OF THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS TO
ESTABLISH A MANDATORY DRUG AND ALCOHOL REHABILITATION PROGRAM FOR
ALL OFFENDERS SENTENCED TO THE CUSTODY OF THE MISSISSIPPI
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS WHO HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OF A DRUG OR
ALCOHOL RELATED CRIME OR WHO HAVE COMMITTED A CRIME BECAUSE OF
DRUG OR ALCOHOL ADDICTION; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. The Mississippi Department of Corrections is
authorized to establish a mandatory drug and alcohol
rehabilitation program for all offenders convicted on drug or
alcohol related charges and shall have the power and duty to adopt
rules not inconsistent with law as it may deem proper and
necessary with respect to the establishment, administration and
operation of the program.

SECTION 2. Any offender sentenced to the custody of the
Mississippi Department of Corrections who has been convicted of a
drug or alcohol related crime or who has committed a crime because
of drug or alcohol addiction shall undergo a mandatory drug and
alcohol rehabilitation program as established by the department.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from
and after July 1, 2001.