By: Representative Maples (By Request)

To: Ways and Means

HOUSE BILL NO. 257

- AN ACT TO EXEMPT COLD FRAMES AND GREENHOUSES FROM AD VALOREM TAXATION; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 4 SECTION 1. (1) The following words shall have the meanings
- 5 ascribed in this section unless the context clearly indicates
- 6 otherwise:
- 7 (a) "Cold frame" means an enclosed growing structure
- 8 that admits natural daylight but normally is not equipped with
- 9 supplementary heat sources.
- 10 (b) "Greenhouse" means a structure that is used for
- 11 growing plants and has a transparent covering and an artificial
- 12 heat source.
- 13 (2) Cold frames and greenhouses shall be exempt from all ad
- 14 valorem taxation.
- 15 SECTION 2. Section 1 of this act shall be codified as a
- 16 separate code section in Chapter 31, Title 27, Mississippi Code of
- 17 1972.
- 18 SECTION 3. Nothing in this act shall affect or defeat any
- 19 claim, assessment, appeal, suit, right or cause of action for
- 20 taxes due or accrued under the ad valorem tax laws before the date
- 21 on which this act becomes effective, whether such claims,
- 22 assessments, appeals, suits or actions have been begun before the
- 23 date on which this act becomes effective or are begun thereafter;
- 24 and the provisions of the ad valorem tax laws are expressly
- 25 continued in full force, effect and operation for the purpose of
- 26 the assessment, collection and enrollment of liens for any taxes
- 27 due or accrued and the execution of any warrant under such laws

- 28 before the date on which this act becomes effective, and for the
- 29 imposition of any penalties, forfeitures or claims for failure to
- 30 comply with such laws.
- 31 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 32 and after January 1, 2002.