By: Representatives Moore (100th), Green, Cummings, Dedeaux, Frierson, Hudson, Miles, Nettles, Ward To: Banks and Banking

HOUSE BILL NO. 547

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 27-105-305, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, 2 TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE TREASURER SHALL SELECT A DEPOSITORY OR 3 DEPOSITORIES FOR A COUNTY IF A BID OR OFFER SUBMITTED BY A BANK TO 4 ACT AS A DEPOSITORY FOR THE COUNTY, IF ACCEPTED, WOULD RESULT IN A 5 CONTRACT IN WHICH A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, OR OTHER 6 OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WOULD HAVE A 7 DIRECT OR INDIRECT INTEREST; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 9 SECTION 1. Section 27-105-305, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 10 amended as follows:

27-105-305. The board of supervisors at the regular December 11 1997 meeting, and annually thereafter or, in the discretion of the 12 board of supervisors, every two (2) years thereafter, shall give 13 14 notice to all financial institutions in its county whose accounts 15 are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation (or any successor 16 thereto), by publication, that bids will be received from 17 financial institutions at the following January meeting, or some 18 subsequent meeting, for the privilege of keeping the county funds, 19 or any part thereof, which notice shall refer by name to this 20 article and it shall not be necessary to incorporate in the notice 21 the provisions of this article; and at the January meeting, or a 22 23 subsequent meeting as may be designated in the notice, as the case may be, the board of supervisors shall receive such bids or 24 proposals as the financial institutions may make for the privilege 25 of keeping the county funds, or any part thereof. The bids or 26 proposals shall designate the kind of security as authorized by 27 28 law which the financial institutions propose to give as security for funds, and the board shall cause the county funds and all 29

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30 other funds in the hands of the county treasurer to be deposited 31 in the qualified financial institution or qualified institutions 32 proposing the best terms and meeting the requirements provided in 33 Section 27-105-315, having in view the safety of such funds. The 34 terms made with each depository shall remain in force for the 35 current year and until new arrangements shall be made according to 36 this article.

If a bank submits a bid or offer to act as a depository for 37 the county and such bid or offer, if accepted, would result in a 38 contract in which a member of the board of supervisors, or any 39 other officer or employee of the board of supervisors, would have 40 a direct or indirect interest, then the board of supervisors shall 41 not open or consider any bids received. The clerk of the board of 42 supervisors shall submit the matter to the State Treasurer, who 43 may solicit bids, select a depository or depositories, make all 44 decisions and take any action within the authority of the board of 45 46 supervisors under this section relating to the selection of a depository or depositories. 47 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from 48 49 and after July 1, 2001.