By: Representative Watson

To: Fees and Salaries of Public Officers

HOUSE BILL NO. 874

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 13-5-95, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO 1 PROVIDE A PER DIEM TO BAILIFFS FOR ACCOMPANYING JURORS OVERNIGHT; 2 3 AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 4 SECTION 1. Section 13-5-95, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 5 amended as follows: 6 7 13-5-95. In selecting overnight accommodations for jurors, 8 the court shall provide separate housing for men and women jurors. Male bailiffs shall accompany the male jurors, and female bailiffs 9 the female jurors. At least one (1) bailiff shall accompany each 10 group, and the court in its sound discretion shall require as many 11 bailiffs as are necessary. Either group may be housed in private 12

13 premises if necessary. <u>Each bailiff shall receive per diem in the</u>

14 amount of Sixty Dollars (\$60.00) for performance of the duties

15 <u>under this section.</u>

16 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from 17 and after July 1, 2001.