

By: Representative Compretta

To: Transportation

HOUSE BILL NO. 947

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 63-1-13, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 REVISE THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE DIRECTOR OF THE DRIVER LICENSE
3 EXAMINING BUREAU OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY; AND FOR
4 RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 63-1-13, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
7 amended as follows:

8 63-1-13. The commissioner is hereby authorized and empowered
9 to appoint a Director of the Driver Services Division who is a
10 qualified elector of the State of Mississippi. Such director
11 shall execute and furnish a bond in the amount of Ten Thousand
12 Dollars (\$10,000.00) with a surety company authorized to do
13 business in this state. The bond shall be conditioned on the
14 faithful performance of his duties and be subject to the approval
15 of the commissioner. The director shall have control and
16 supervision of the Driver Services Division and shall be
17 answerable to the commissioner in the performance of his duties.

18 The commissioner shall employ such other technical,
19 professional and clerical assistants as may be needed to conduct
20 the work of the division. The commissioner is also authorized to
21 employ a Director of the Driver License Examining Bureau from the
22 ranks of sworn officers. In addition, the commissioner shall
23 appoint from the ranks of sworn officers the necessary supervising
24 examiners to assist the Director of the Driver License Examining
25 Bureau in the supervision of the license personnel. The
26 commissioner is also authorized to employ the necessary additional
27 personnel, not to exceed ninety (90) in number, designated as

28 "license examiners." The commissioner shall not adopt or enforce
29 any policy or any rule or regulation which prohibits any Highway
30 Patrol officer from being employed and serving in any position in
31 the Driver License Examining Bureau. The commissioner shall
32 employ such other technical, professional and clerical assistants
33 as may be needed to conduct the work of the bureau.

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