

By: Representative Rogers

To: Judiciary B

HOUSE BILL NO. 972

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 83-39-27, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO ALLOW THE SECURING OF BONDS WITH REAL PROPERTY LOCATED OUTSIDE
3 THE STATE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 83-39-27, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
6 amended as follows:

7 83-39-27. It is unlawful for a licensee to engage in any of
8 the following activities:

9 (a) Specify, suggest or advise the employment of any
10 particular attorney to represent his principal.

11 (b) Pay a fee or rebate or give or promise to give
12 anything of value to a jailer, policeman, peace officer, clerk,
13 deputy clerk, any other employee of any court, district attorney
14 or any of his employees or any person who has power to arrest or
15 to hold any person in custody.

16 (c) Pay a fee or rebate or give anything of value to an
17 attorney in bail bond matters, except in defense of any act on a
18 bond, or as counsel to represent such bail agent, his agent or
19 employees.

20 (d) Pay a fee or rebate or give or promise to give
21 anything of value to the person on whose bond he is surety.

22 (e) Accept anything of value from a person on whose
23 bond he is surety, or from others on behalf of such person, except
24 the fee or premium on the bond, but the bail agent may accept
25 collateral security or other indemnity.

26 (f) Coerce, suggest, aid and abet, offer promise of
27 favor or threaten any person on whose bond he is surety or offers
28 to become surety, to induce that person to commit any crime.

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