

By: Representative Myers

To: Constitution

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 51

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION
 2 109, MISSISSIPPI CONSTITUTION OF 1890, TO PROVIDE THAT IT SHALL
 3 NOT BE A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION PROHIBITING CERTAIN CONFLICTS
 4 OF INTEREST AMONG PUBLIC OFFICIALS FOR A TENANT OF A PUBLIC
 5 HOUSING AUTHORITY WITH WHICH THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN
 6 DEVELOPMENT, OR ANY SUCCESSOR AGENCY, HAS ENTERED AN ANNUAL
 7 CONTRIBUTIONS CONTRACT TO SERVE ON THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE
 8 PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF
 10 MISSISSIPPI, That the following amendment to the Mississippi
 11 Constitution of 1890 is proposed to the qualified electors of the
 12 state:

13 Amend Section 109, Mississippi Constitution of 1890, to read
 14 as follows:

15 "Section 109. No public officer or member of the Legislature
 16 shall be interested, directly or indirectly, in any contract with
 17 the state, or any district, county, city, or town thereof,
 18 authorized by any law passed or order made by any board of which
 19 he may be or may have been a member, during the term for which he
 20 shall have been chosen, or within one (1) year after the
 21 expiration of such term.

22 The provisions of this section shall not be construed to
 23 prohibit a tenant of a public housing authority with which the
 24 Department of Housing and Urban Development, or any successor
 25 agency, has entered an annual contributions contract from serving
 26 on the governing body of the public housing authority."

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this proposed amendment shall be
 28 submitted by the Secretary of State to the qualified electors at
 29 an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday

30 of November 2002, as provided by Section 273 of the Constitution
31 and by general law.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the explanation of this proposed
33 amendment for the ballot shall read as follows: "This proposed
34 constitutional amendment provides that Section 109 of the
35 Constitution, prohibiting certain conflicts of interest among
36 public officials, shall not be construed to prohibit a tenant of a
37 public housing authority with which the Department of Housing and
38 Urban Development has entered an annual contributions contract
39 from serving on the governing body of the public housing
40 authority."