SENATE BILL NO. 2284

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE COUNTIES TO ACQUIRE CREDIT CARDS WHICH MAY BE USED BY THE SUPERVISORS AND COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO PAY EXPENSES INCURRED WHEN TRAVELING IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR OFFICIAL DUTIES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. The board of supervisors may acquire one or more credit cards which may be used by the supervisors and county employees to pay expenses incurred by them when traveling in or out of state in the performance of their official duties. The chancery clerk or county purchase clerk shall maintain complete records of all credit card numbers and all receipts and other documents relating to the use of such credit cards. The supervisors and county employees shall furnish receipts for the use of such credit cards each month to the chancery clerk or purchase clerk who shall submit a written report monthly to the board of supervisors, which report shall include an itemized list of all expenditures and use of the credit cards for the month, and such expenditures may be allowed for payment by the county in the same manner as other items on the claims docket. The issuance of a credit card to a supervisor or county employee under the provisions of this section shall not be construed to authorize the supervisor or county employee to use such credit card to make any expenditure which is not otherwise authorized by law. Any supervisor or county employee which uses such credit card to make an expenditure which is not approved for payment by the board shall be personally liable for the expenditure and shall be required to reimburse the county. The board of supervisors shall not pay an annual fee for the use of such credit card.
SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2001.