By: Senator(s) Gollott, Cuevas, Hewes

To: Wildlife and Fisheries

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 2600

| 1 | AN ACT TO AN | MEND SECTION | I 49-7-8, MI | ISSISSIPPI (| CODE OF 1972, | ТО |
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- 3 LICENSES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 49-7-8, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 6 amended as follows:
- 7 49-7-8. (1) No nonresident sixteen (16) years of age or
- 8 older may hunt, fish, kill, take or trap any game animal, bird or
- 9 fish without having acquired and having in his immediate
- 10 possession a valid license issued by the Mississippi Commission on
- 11 Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks.
- 12 (2) The commission shall have the following duties and
- 13 powers:
- 14 (a) To prescribe the forms and types of nonresident
- 15 licenses that a nonresident must obtain;
- 16 (b) To determine the total number of each type of
- 17 nonresident license to be issued annually;
- 18 (c) To establish fees for nonresident licenses and the
- 19 collection fees for the agent issuing such licenses; provided,
- 20 however, that the fee for a nonresident all game hunting license
- 21 shall not be less than Three Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$350.00);
- 22 (d) To exercise all incidental powers necessary to
- 23 develop a nonresident licensing program.
- 24 (3) A nonresident who violates this section or any licensing
- 25 regulation of the commission is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall
- 26 be punished as provided in Section 49-7-21(3).

27 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from

and after July 1, 2001. 28