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To: Fees, Salaries and
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Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 2955

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 5-1-41, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 PROVIDE THAT EACH SENATOR AND REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LEGISLATURE
3 SHALL RECEIVE AS COMPENSATION AN AMOUNT ESTABLISHED BY THE STATE
4 PERSONNEL BOARD; TO AMEND SECTION 5-1-43, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF
5 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT THE SALARY OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR AND
6 SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SHALL BE AN AMOUNT
7 ESTABLISHED BY THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD; TO AMEND SECTION 5-1-45,
8 MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT THE PRESIDENT PRO
9 TEMPORE OF THE SENATE SHALL RECEIVE AN ANNUAL SALARY IN AN AMOUNT
10 ESTABLISHED BY THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD; TO AMEND SECTION 5-1-47,
11 MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT EACH SENATOR AND
12 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LEGISLATURE AND THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
13 SHALL RECEIVE AN EXPENSE ALLOWANCE IN AN AMOUNT ESTABLISHED BY THE
14 STATE PERSONNEL BOARD; TO AMEND SECTION 5-1-51, MISSISSIPPI CODE
15 OF 1972, IN CONFORMITY THERETO; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

17 SECTION 1. Section 5-1-41, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
18 amended as follows:

19 5-1-41. Beginning with the 2002 Regular Session of the
20 Legislature of the State of Mississippi, each Senator and
21 Representative of the Legislature shall receive as compensation at
22 each regular session an amount established by the State Personnel
23 Board and the mileage allowance provided by Section 25-3-41, for
24 each mile of the distance by the most direct route usually
25 traveled in coming to and returning from the place where the
26 Legislature sits. Beginning on April 16, 2002, each Senator and
27 Representative shall receive for attending each extraordinary
28 session or called session an amount established by the State
29 Personnel Board and mileage at the same rate as per regular
30 session. In addition to the above, beginning on April 16, 2002,
31 each Senator and Representative and the Lieutenant Governor shall
32 receive an amount established by the State Personnel Board for

33 expenses incidental to his office for every full month of his
34 term, except any month or major fraction thereof when the
35 Legislature is convened in regular or extraordinary session; and
36 payments shall be made to each Senator and Representative and the
37 Lieutenant Governor by the State Treasurer between the first and
38 tenth day of each month following the month for which the payments
39 are due.

40 SECTION 2. Section 5-1-43, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
41 amended as follows:

42 5-1-43. (1) Beginning July 1, 2001, the salary of the
43 Lieutenant Governor and of the Speaker of the House of
44 Representatives shall be an amount established by the State
45 Personnel Board, and they shall receive for attending each
46 extraordinary or called session the same compensation and mileage
47 as is provided for members of the Legislature. * * *

48 (2) On the first day of each month, the Lieutenant Governor
49 and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall receive in
50 twelve (12) equal monthly installments the compensation provided
51 for pursuant to subsection (1) of this section.

52 SECTION 3. Section 5-1-45, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
53 amended as follows:

54 5-1-45. Beginning on July 1, 2001, the President Pro Tempore
55 of the Senate shall receive an annual salary in an amount
56 established by the State Personnel Board. The salary provided for
57 the President Pro Tempore under this section shall be in addition
58 to the compensation and expense allowance established for members
59 of the Legislature under Section 5-1-41.

60 SECTION 4. Section 5-1-47, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
61 amended as follows:

62 5-1-47. (1) In addition to the regular salary and mileage
63 provided by law, an expense allowance in an amount established by
64 the State Personnel Board for each legislative day in actual
65 attendance at a session shall be paid to the Lieutenant Governor

66 and members of the Senate and House of Representatives, together
67 with an additional mileage allowance as provided by Section
68 25-3-41, for each mile of the distance by the most direct route
69 usually traveled in coming to and returning from the place where
70 the Legislature is in session, which said expense allowance and
71 additional mileage allowance shall be paid at the end of each
72 seven (7) day period while the Legislature is in session.

73 In addition to the mileage allowance provided for in the
74 above paragraph, an expense allowance in an amount established by
75 the State Personnel Board shall be paid to the Lieutenant Governor
76 and members of the Senate and House of Representatives * * * for
77 any day between legislative sessions while attending to
78 legislative duties, upon the approval of the appropriate
79 management committee of the Senate or House, as the case may be.

80 (2) The expense allowance and additional mileage allowance
81 provided by this section for the Lieutenant Governor and members
82 of the Senate shall be paid from the appropriate legislative fund
83 of the Senate as provided by law, and the expense allowance and
84 additional mileage allowance for members of the House of
85 Representatives shall be paid from the appropriate legislative
86 fund of said House of Representatives as provided by law, upon
87 warrants drawn for such purpose in the manner provided by law.

88 SECTION 5. Section 5-1-51, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
89 amended as follows:

90 5-1-51. * * * The mileage and one third (1/3) of the salary
91 for a regular session may be received at the beginning of the
92 session. After thirty (30) days of the session have expired
93 another one third (1/3) may be received and the remainder at the
94 close of the session. Provided that the remaining one third (1/3)
95 of their salaries of any regular session and the remainder of the
96 unpaid salary of the * * * President Pro Tempore of the
97 Senate * * * be payable immediately upon both houses terminating
98 the consideration of all bills. * * *

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100 SECTION 6. The Attorney General of the State of Mississippi
101 shall submit this act, immediately upon approval by the Governor,
102 or upon approval by the Legislature subsequent to a veto, to the
103 Attorney General of the United States or to the United States
104 District Court for the District of Columbia in accordance with the
105 provisions of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended and
106 extended.

107 SECTION 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from
108 and after July 1, 2001, if it is effectuated on or before that
109 date under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended
110 and extended. If it is effectuated under Section 5 of the Voting
111 Rights Act of 1965, as amended and extended, after July 1, 2001,
112 this act shall take effect and be in force from and after it is
113 effectuated under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as
114 amended and extended.