SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 504

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 109, MISSISSIPPI CONSTITUTION OF 1890, TO PROVIDE THAT A PUBLIC OFFICER SHALL NOT BE INTERESTED IN ANY CONTRACT AUTHORIZED BY A LAW ON WHICH HE VOTED.

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

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

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this proposed amendment shall be submitted by the Secretary of State to the qualified electors at an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November 2002, as provided by Section 273 of the Constitution and by general law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the explanation of this proposed amendment for the ballot shall read as follows: "This proposed constitutional amendment provides that the prohibition of a public official from having any interest in a contract with any board of
which he is a member shall apply if the public official voted on
the law or order authorizing the contract."