HOUSE BILL NO. 187

AN ACT TO CREATE A NEW CODE SECTION THAT PROHIBITS LOCAL SCHOOL BOARDS FROM ENTERING INTO SIXTEENTH SECTION LAND LEASES WITH PERSONS INTENDING TO ESTABLISH AN ADULT ENTERTAINMENT BUSINESS ON THE SIXTEENTH SECTION OR LIEU LAND; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. (1) Beginning on July 1, 2002, the board of education may not enter into a new lease on any sixteenth section land or lieu land with any person, corporation or organization that plans to establish an adult entertainment business such as an adult video store, an adult novelty store, an adult bookstore, a strip club or any similar business on the sixteenth section or lieu land.

(2) This section does not prohibit the continued operation of any such business located on sixteenth section land or lieu land on July 1, 2002, for the duration of the lease existing on July 1, 2002, and for any subsequent re-lease of that land to the holder of the lease existing on July 1, 2002.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this act shall be codified as a separate code section in Chapter 3, Title 29, Mississippi Code of 1972.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2002.