By: Representative Weathersby (By Request)

To: Public Utilities

HOUSE BILL NO. 994

- AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT LANDOWNERS WHO LEASE REAL PROPERTY FOR
- 2 COMMUNICATIONS TOWER PURPOSES SHALL BE ENTITLED TO TEN PERCENT OF
- 3 THE VALUE OF ANY SUBLEASES ON THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; AND FOR
- 4 RELATED PURPOSES.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 6 **SECTION 1.** (1) Whenever a landowner in the State of
- 7 Mississippi enters into an agreement with another party granting
- 8 that party a lease upon the landowner's real property for the
- 9 purpose of constructing a communications tower, the landowner
- 10 shall be entitled to an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the
- 11 value of any subleases on the subject property subsequently
- 12 entered into by the leaseholder.
- 13 (2) This section shall remain in force regardless of whether
- 14 the provisions of subsection (1) of this section are included in
- 15 the terms of the lease agreement or not.
- 16 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 17 and after July 1, 2002.