By: Representative McCoy

To: Ways and Means

HOUSE BILL NO. 1183

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 27-7-61 AND 27-65-63, MISSISSIPPI 1 CODE OF 1972, TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE TAX COMMISSION TO USE 2 ADDITIONAL METHODS OF ADVERTISING THE SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY FOR THE NONPAYMENT OF INCOME TAX OR SALES TAX WHEN THE CHAIRMAN OF 3 4 THE STATE TAX COMMISSION DETERMINES THE NEED TO DO SO; TO 5 AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE STATE TAX COMMISSION TO DETERMINE 6 ACCEPTABLE METHODS OF PAYMENTS TO BE RECEIVED FROM THE HIGHEST 7 BIDDER FOR ANY SALE OF PROPERTY FOR THE NONPAYMENT OF INCOME TAX 8 OR SALES TAX; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. 9

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: SECTION 1. Section 27-7-61, Mississippi Code of 1972, is amended as follows:

27-7-61. The sheriff, or special agent of the Tax 13 Commission, upon receipt of a warrant or a jeopardy warrant, shall 14 15 immediately seize any property of the taxpayer named in the 16 warrant, in all respect, with like effect, and in the manner prescribed by law with respect to executions of judgments, and he 17 shall execute such warrant and return it to the commissioner, and 18 pay to him the money collected by virtue thereof by the date 19 specified therein, but not to exceed sixty (60) days. 20

The sheriff or special agent shall be entitled to the fees 21 for his services in the same amount, and to be collected in like 22 manner, as provided by Sections 25-7-19 and 25-7-21, Mississippi 23 24 Code of 1972, for like services under a writ of execution. 25 Provided, however, that the minimum total of all such fees shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00). All such fees collected by a special 26 agent of the Tax Commission shall be paid to the Tax Commission 27 and deposited in a fund to be expended by the chairman to help 28 29 defray the costs of carrying out the provisions of Sections 30 27-7-55 to 27-7-67. Provided, further, that when a warrant issued

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to a sheriff shall be withdrawn by the commissioner prior to its expiration date, the commissioner is authorized to pay to the sheriff the fees allowed by law for services actually performed and costs actually incurred, out of money collected as fees from the taxpayer, or from funds appropriated for the operation of the Tax Commission.

Real property shall be disposed of according to Section 37 13-3-163, Mississippi Code of 1972, and, except as otherwise 38 provided in this paragraph, personal property shall be disposed of 39 according to Section 13-3-165, Mississippi Code of 1972. 40 However, perishable personal property may be disposed of as provided by 41 Section 13-3-167, Mississippi Code of 1972. In addition to the 42 43 advertising requirements provided in Section 13-3-165 for the sale 44 of personal property, the Tax Commission may, when the commissioner determines the need to do so, advertise sales of 45 personal property in any additional manner determined appropriate 46 by the commissioner. The costs of any such additional advertising 47 shall be considered a cost of the sale and shall be collected from 48 the proceeds of the sale. The failure to advertise the sale of 49 50 personal property in any form other than that required by Section 13-3-165 shall not invalidate a sale. For any sale of property by 51 52 the Tax Commission, the commissioner may determine acceptable methods of payments to be received from the highest bidder for any 53 54 sale. 55 SECTION 2. Section 27-65-63, Mississippi Code of 1972, is amended as follows: 56 The sheriff or special agent of the Tax 57 27-65-63.

57 27-65-63. The sheriff or special agent of the Tax 58 Commission, upon receipt of a warrant or a jeopardy warrant, shall 59 immediately seize any property of the taxpayer named in the 60 warrant, in all respects, with like effect, and in the manner 61 prescribed by law with respect to executions of judgments, and he 62 shall execute such warrant and return it to the commissioner, and

H. B. No. 1183 02/HR07/R1664 PAGE 2 (BS\HS) pay to him the money collected by virtue thereof by the datespecified therein, but not to exceed sixty (60) days.

The sheriff or special agent shall be entitled to the fees 65 66 for his services in the same amount, and to be collected in like 67 manner, as provided by Section 25-7-19, Mississippi Code of 1972, for like services under a writ of execution. Provided, however, 68 that the minimum total of all such fees shall be Ten Dollars 69 70 (\$10.00). All such fees collected by a special agent of the Tax Commission shall be paid to the Tax Commission and deposited in a 71 fund to be expended by the chairman to help defray the costs of 72 73 carrying out the provisions of this chapter. Provided, further, that when a warrant issued to a sheriff shall be withdrawn by the 74 75 commissioner prior to its expiration date, the commissioner is authorized to pay to the sheriff the fees allowed by law for 76 77 services actually performed and costs actually incurred, out of money collected as fees from the taxpayer, or from funds 78 appropriated for the operation of the Tax Commission. 79

80 Real property shall be disposed of according to Section 13-3-163, Mississippi Code of 1972, and, except as otherwise 81 provided in this paragraph, personal property shall be disposed of 82 according to Section 13-3-165, Mississippi Code of 1972. 83 However, 84 perishable personal property may be disposed of as provided by Section 13-3-167, Mississippi Code of 1972. In addition to the 85 advertising requirements provided in Section 13-3-165 for the sale 86 87 of personal property, the Tax Commission may, when the commissioner determines the need to do so, advertise sales of 88 89 personal property in any additional manner determined appropriate by the commissioner. The costs of any such additional advertising 90 shall be considered a cost of the sale and shall be collected from 91 the proceeds of the sale. The failure to advertise the sale of 92 93 personal property in any form other than that required by Section 94 13-3-165 shall not invalidate a sale. For any sale of property by the Tax Commission, the commissioner may determine acceptable 95 H. B. No. 1183

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98 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from

99 and after its passage.