MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

REGULAR SESSION 2002

By: Representative Mitchell

To: Judiciary A

HOUSE BILL NO. 1648

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 9-5-7, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE THE METHOD OF ELECTING CHANCELLORS IN THE FIRST CHANCERY COURT DISTRICT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 9-5-7, Mississippi Code of 1972, is amended as follows:

9-5-7. There shall be three (3) chancellors for the First Chancery Court District. For purposes of appointment and election, the three (3) chancellors shall be separate and distinct and denominated for purposes of appointment and election only as "Place One," "Place Two" and "Place Three."

SECTION 2. The Attorney General of the State of Mississippi shall submit this act, immediately upon approval by the Governor, or upon approval by the Legislature subsequent to a veto, to the Attorney General of the United States or to the United States District Court for the District of Columbia in accordance with the provisions of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended and extended.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after the date it is effectuated under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended and extended.