

By: Senator(s) Burton

To: County Affairs

SENATE BILL NO. 2144

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE CONSTABLES, UPON THE APPROVAL OF THE
2 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY, TO APPOINT ONE OR MORE
3 DEPUTIES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** (1) The constable shall have power, upon
6 approval of the board of supervisors of the county, to appoint one
7 or more deputies, who shall take the oath of office and may give
8 bond, and who thereupon shall have power to do and perform all the
9 acts and duties which their principal may lawfully do; such
10 approval, when given by the board of supervisors of the county,
11 shall be in writing, and shall be entered on its minutes.

12 (2) Each deputy constable, before he enters upon the duties
13 of the appointment, shall take the oath of office, and may give
14 bond, with sufficient surety, to be payable, conditioned and
15 approved as provided by law, in a penalty equal to Twenty-five
16 Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00). The board of supervisors of the
17 county, in its discretion, may pay the bond on behalf of the
18 deputy constable.

19 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
20 and after July 1, 2002.

