To: Judiciary

SENATE BILL NO. 2322

AN ACT TO PROVIDE MEANS FOR THE EXPUNCTION OF CRIMINAL 1 RECORDS BY THE COURT OF CONVICTION; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. 2 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 4 SECTION 1. Motion for expunction. Any person who is a first offender may file a motion for 5 (1) the expunction of all records and records of conviction for a 6 felony or misdemeanor by filing a motion in the court in which the 7 8 conviction took place; provided, that no person who has been convicted of a crime of violence shall have his or her records and 9 records of conviction expunged. 10 (2) Subject to subsection (1) of this section, a person may 11 file a motion for the expunction of records relating to a 12 misdemeanor conviction after five (5) years from the date of the 13 completion of his or her sentence. 14 (3) Subject to subsection (1) of this section, a person may 15 file a motion for the expunction of records relating to a felony 16 conviction after ten (10) years from the date of the completion of 17 his or her sentence. 18 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from 19

20 and after July 1, 2002.