

By: Senator(s) Smith (By Request)

To: Judiciary

SENATE BILL NO. 2422

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 45-29-3, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 EXEMPT FROM THE MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC RECORDS LAW PERSONAL
3 INFORMATION CONTAINED IN FILES OF THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF
4 CORRECTIONS AND THE MISSISSIPPI PAROLE BOARD; AND FOR RELATED
5 PURPOSES.

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

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 45-29-3, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
8 amended as follows:

9 45-29-3. The following records shall be exempt from the
10 provisions of the Mississippi Public Records Law of 1983:

11 (a) Records which are in the possession of a public
12 body, as defined by paragraph (a) of Section 25-61-3, that
13 performs as one of its principal functions activities pertaining
14 to the enforcement of criminal laws, the apprehension of criminal
15 offenders or the investigation of criminal offenders and/or
16 criminal activities, and which records consist of information
17 compiled for the purpose of a criminal investigation, including
18 reports of informants and investigators, and associated with an
19 identifiable individual; and

20 (b) Personal information, including, but not limited
21 to, impact statements from victims, contained in files of the
22 Mississippi Department of Corrections and the Mississippi Parole
23 Board.

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

