

By: Senator(s) Bryan

To: Judiciary

SENATE BILL NO. 2965

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 25-41-15, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
2 TO REVISE THE ENFORCEMENT PROVISIONS FOR THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW;  
3 AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 25-41-15, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
6 amended as follows:

7 25-41-15. The chancery courts of this state shall have the  
8 authority to enforce the provisions of this chapter upon  
9 application of any citizen of the state, and shall have the  
10 authority to issue injunctions or writs of mandamus to accomplish  
11 that purpose. If the court finds that a public body has willfully  
12 and knowingly violated the provisions of this chapter, the public  
13 body shall be liable civilly in a sum not to exceed One Hundred  
14 Dollars (\$100.00), plus all reasonable expenses incurred by the  
15 person or persons bringing the suit.

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

