

By: Representative Taylor

To: Judiciary A

HOUSE BILL NO. 56

1 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES FROM
2 RECOMMENDING OR ENDORSING THE PURCHASE OF GOODS OR SERVICES BY
3 THEIR EMPLOYING ENTITY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** It shall be unlawful for any appointed or elected
6 public official or any employee of the state or any political
7 subdivision to recommend or endorse the purchase of any goods or
8 services by the entity for which such public official or employee
9 is serving or employed. A person violating this section shall be
10 guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined Five
11 Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) or imprisoned for not more than one (1)
12 year, or both such fine and imprisonment.

13 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
14 and after July 1, 2003.

