HOUSE BILL NO. 1131

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 47-5-138.1, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO INCREASE TRUSTY TIME ALLOWANCE FROM TEN DAYS OF REDUCTION OF SENTENCE TO THIRTY DAYS OF REDUCTION OF SENTENCE FOR EACH THIRTY DAYS OF PARTICIPATION IN AN APPROVED PROGRAM; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 47-5-138.1, Mississippi Code of 1972, is amended as follows:

47-5-138.1. In addition to any other administrative reduction of sentence, an offender in trusty status as defined by the classification board of the Department of Corrections may be awarded a trusty time allowance of thirty (30) days' reduction of sentence for each thirty (30) days of participation in an approved program while in trusty status, including satisfactory participation in education or instructional programs, satisfactory participation in work projects and satisfactory participation in any special incentive program.

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