

By: Representatives Chism, Nicholson, Smith
(39th)

To: Judiciary A

HOUSE BILL NO. 1279

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 11-11-3, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 REVISE VENUE IN CIVIL ACTIONS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** Section 11-11-3, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
5 amended as follows:

6 11-11-3. (1) Civil actions of which the circuit court has
7 original jurisdiction shall be commenced in the county where the
8 defendant resides or in the county where the alleged act or
9 omission occurred or where the event that caused the injury
10 occurred. * * * Civil actions alleging a defective product may
11 also be commenced in the county where the plaintiff obtained the
12 product.

13 (2) If a civil action is brought in an improper county, such
14 action may be transferred to the proper county pursuant to Section
15 11-11-17.

16 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
17 and after July 1, 2003, and shall apply to all causes of action
18 filed on or after that date.

