By: Senator(s) Jordan

To: Insurance

## SENATE BILL NO. 2392

- AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 45-11-251, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
- 2 TO REVISE THE COMPOSITION OF THE MISSISSIPPI FIRE PERSONNEL
- 3 MINIMUM STANDARDS AND CERTIFICATION BOARD; AND FOR RELATED 4 PURPOSES.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 6 SECTION 1. Section 45-11-251, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 7 amended as follows:
- 8 45-11-251. (1) There is hereby created the Mississippi Fire
- 9 Personnel Minimum Standards and Certification Board. The board
- 10 shall consist of thirteen (13) members. \* \* \* The Director of the
- 11 State Fire Academy shall serve as an ex officio member with voting
- 12 privileges only in the capacity of a tie breaker. The Director of
- 13 the State Fire Academy shall serve as secretary to the board.
- 14 (2) The Commissioner of Insurance shall appoint the <u>remaining</u>
- 15 members of the Mississippi Fire Personnel Minimum Standards and
- 16 Certification Board as selected by the Mississippi Municipal Fire
- 17 Chiefs Association and the Mississippi Fire Fighters Association.
- 18 Twelve (12) members shall be selected from the State Fire Academy
- 19 District Map, one (1) from each district, and shall be selected as
- 20 follows:
- 21 (a) Five (5) career \* \* \* fire fighters \* \* \* selected
- 22 by the Mississippi Fire Fighters Association;
- 23 (b) Seven (7) career chief officers \* \* \* selected by
- 24 the Mississippi Municipal Fire Chiefs Association;
- 25 \* \* \*
- 26 \* \* \* After the expiration of the initial term, the term shall
- 27 be three (3) years.
- 28 \* \* \*

- No member selected under this subsection shall serve more
- 30 than two (2) terms. Any member missing three (3) consecutive
- 31 meetings shall be deemed to have resigned from the board. A
- 32 vacancy prior to the expiration of a term shall be filled by
- 33 selection in the same manner and for the balance of the unexpired
- 34 term.
- 35 (3) During his term, a member of the board shall not serve as
- 36 a member of the State Fire Academy Advisory Board.
- 37 (4) The board shall select a chairman and vice chairman from
- 38 its membership.
- 39 (5) The <u>Department of Insurance</u> shall provide administrative
- 40 support for the board.
- 41 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 42 and after July 1, 2003.