A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROPOSING TO AMEND THE MISSISSIPPI
CONSTITUTION OF 1890 BY REPEALING SECTION 48 WHICH PROVIDES FOR
THE IMMUNITY FROM ARREST OF THE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE FOR
CERTAIN CRIMES WHEN THE LEGISLATURE IS IN SESSION AND FOR FIFTEEN
DAYS BEFORE THE COMMENCEMENT AND AFTER THE TERMINATION OF EACH
SESSION.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF
MISSISSIPPI, That the following amendment to the Mississippi
Constitution of 1890 is proposed to the qualified electors of the
state:

Amend the Mississippi Constitution of 1890 by repealing
Section 48 which reads as follows:

Section 48. Senators and Representatives shall, in all
cases, except treason, felony, theft, or breach of the peace, be
privileged from arrest during the session of the Legislature, and
for fifteen days before the commencement and after the termination
of each session.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this proposed amendment shall be
submitted by the Secretary of State to the qualified electors at
an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday
of November 2003, as provided by Section 273 of the Constitution
and by general law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the explanation of this proposed
amendment for the ballot shall read as follows: "This proposed
constitutional amendment provides that members of the state
Legislature shall no longer have immunity from arrest while the
Legislature is in session."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Attorney General of the
State of Mississippi shall submit this resolution, immediately
upon adoption by the Legislature, to the Attorney General of the United States or to the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, in accordance with the provisions of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended and extended.