Adopted AMENDMENT No. 1 PROPOSED TO

House Bill NO. 842

By Senator(s) Committee

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

- 12 **SECTION 1.** Section 43-27-20, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 13 reenacted and amended as follows:
- 14 43-27-20. (a) Within the Department of Youth Services there
- 15 shall be a Division of Community Services which shall be headed by
- 16 a director appointed by and responsible to the Director of the
- 17 Department of Youth Services. He shall hold a master's degree in
- 18 social work or a related field and shall have no less than three
- 19 (3) years' experience in social services, or in lieu of such
- 20 degree and experience, he shall have a minimum of eight (8) years'
- 21 experience in social work or a related field. He shall employ and
- 22 assign the community workers to serve in the various areas in the
- 23 state and any other supporting personnel necessary to carry out
- 24 the duties of the Division of Community Services.
- 25 (b) The Director of the Division of Community Services shall
- 26 assign probation and aftercare workers to the youth court or
- 27 family court judges of the various court districts upon the
- 28 request of the individual judge on the basis of case load and
- 29 need, when funds are available. The probation and aftercare
- 30 workers shall live in their respective districts except upon
- 31 approval of the Director of the Division of Community Services.

- 32 The Director of the Division of Community Services is authorized
- 33 to assign a youth services counselor to a district other than the
- 34 district in which the youth services counselor lives upon the
- 35 approval of the youth court judge of the assigned district and the
- 36 Director of the Division of Youth Services. Every placement shall
- 37 be with the approval of the youth court or the family court judge,
- 38 and a probation and aftercare worker may be removed for cause from
- 39 a youth or family court district.
- 40 (c) Any counties or cities which, on July 1, 1973, have
- 41 court counselors or similar personnel may continue using this
- 42 personnel or may choose to come within the statewide framework.
- 43 (d) A probation and aftercare worker may be transferred by
- 44 the division from one court to another after consultation with the
- 45 judge or judges in the court to which the employee is currently
- 46 assigned.
- 47 (e) The Division of Community Services shall have such
- 48 duties as the Department of Youth Services shall assign to it
- 49 which shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
- 50 (1) Preparing the social, educational and home-life
- 51 history and other diagnostic reports on the child for the benefit
- of the court or the training school; however, this provision shall
- 53 not abridge the power of the court to require similar services
- 54 from other agencies, according to law.
- 55 (2) Serving in counseling capacities with the youth or
- 56 family courts.
- 57 (3) Serving as probation agents for the youth or family
- 58 courts.
- 59 (4) Serving, advising and counseling of children in the
- of various institutions under the control of the Division of Juvenile
- 61 Correctional Institutions as may be necessary to the placement of
- 62 the children in proper environment after release and the placement
- of children in suitable jobs where necessary and proper.
- 64 (5) Supervising and guiding of children released or
- 65 conditionally released from institutions under the control of the
- 66 Division of Juvenile Correctional Institutions.

- 67 (6) Counseling in an aftercare program.
- 68 (7) Coordinating the activities of supporting community
- 69 agencies which aid in the social adjustment of children released
- 70 from the institution and in an aftercare program.
- 71 (8) Providing or arranging for necessary services
- 72 leading to the rehabilitation of delinquents, either within the
- 73 division or through cooperative arrangements with other
- 74 appropriate agencies.
- 75 (9) Providing counseling and supervision for any child
- 76 under ten (10) years of age who has been brought to the attention
- 77 of the court when other suitable personnel is not available and
- 78 upon request of the court concerned.
- 79 (10) Supervising the aftercare program and making
- 80 revocation investigations at the request of the court.
- 81 (f) This section shall stand repealed on July 1, 2009.
- SECTION 2. Section 43-27-11, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 83 amended as follows:
- 43-27-11. The Mississippi Department of Human Services shall
- 85 succeed to the exclusive control of all records, books, papers,
- 86 equipment and supplies, and all lands, buildings and other real
- 87 and personal property now or hereafter belonging to or assigned to
- 88 the use and benefit or under the control of the Columbia Training
- 89 School and the Oakley Training School, and shall have the exercise
- 90 and control of the use, distribution and disbursement of all
- 91 funds, appropriations and taxes now or hereafter in possession,
- 92 levied, collected or received or appropriated for the use,
- 93 benefit, support and maintenance of these two (2) institutions,
- 94 and the department shall have general supervision of all the
- 95 affairs of the two (2) institutions herein named, and the care and
- 96 conduct of all buildings and grounds, business methods and
- 97 arrangements of accounts and records, the organization of the
- 98 administrative plans of each institution, and all other matters
- 99 incident to the proper functioning of the institutions. The
- 100 department shall have full authority over the operation of any and
- 101 all farms at each of said institutions and over the distribution

- of agricultural, dairy, livestock and any and all other products 102
- 103 therefrom and over all funds received from the sale of hogs and
- livestock. All sums realized from the sale of products 104
- manufactured and fabricated in the shops of the vocational 105
- departments of such institutions shall be placed in the revolving 106
- 107 fund of the respective institutions in which said products were
- 108 manufactured, fabricated and sold.
- The department shall be authorized to lease the lands for 109
- oil, gas and mineral exploration, and for such other purposes as 110
- 111 the department deems to be appropriate, on such terms and
- conditions as the department and lessee agree. The department may 112
- contract with the State Forestry Commission for the proper 113
- management of forest lands and the sale of timber, and the 114
- department is expressly authorized to sell timber and forestry 115
- products. The department is further authorized to expend the net 116
- proceeds from incomes from all leases and timber sales exclusively 117
- 118 for the instructional purposes or operational expenses, or both,
- at the two (2) institutions under its jurisdiction in proportion 119
- to the revenues derived from each training school. 120
- The granting of any leases for oil, gas and mineral 121
- exploration shall be on a public bid basis as prescribed by law. 122
- 123 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from
- and after July 1, 2003. 124

Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

AN ACT TO REENACT SECTION 43-27-20, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, WHICH CREATES THE DIVISION OF COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR THE 2.

DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH SERVICES AND PROVIDES THE QUALIFICATIONS AND

- DUTIES FOR THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF COMMUNITY SERVICES; TO 4
- 5
- AMEND REENACTED SECTION 43-27-20, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO EXTEND THE DATE OF REPEAL ON THAT SECTION FROM JULY 1, 2003, TO 6
- JULY 1, 2009; TO AMEND SECTION 43-27-11, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, 7
- TO REVISE THE AUTHORITY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO
- EXPEND THE PROCEEDS OF MINERAL LEASES AND TIMBER SALES; AND FOR 9
- 10 RELATED PURPOSES.