

By: Representative Fleming

To: Fees and Salaries of  
Public Officers;  
Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 20

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 5-1-41, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO  
2 PROVIDE THAT THE BASE SALARY OF LEGISLATORS FOR EACH REGULAR  
3 SESSION SHALL BE THE SAME AS THE HIGHEST BASE SALARY OF ANY  
4 MUNICIPAL ALDERMAN OR COUNCILMAN IN MISSISSIPPI AS OF DECEMBER 31  
5 OF THE PRECEDING YEAR; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 5-1-41, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
8 amended as follows:

9 5-1-41. Beginning with the 2005 Regular Session of the  
10 Legislature of the State of Mississippi, each Senator and  
11 Representative of the Legislature shall receive as compensation at  
12 each regular session a salary equal to the highest base salary of  
13 any municipal alderman or councilman in Mississippi as of December  
14 31 of the preceding year, or the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars  
15 (\$10,000.00), whichever is greater, and the mileage allowance  
16 provided by Section 25-3-41, for each mile of the distance by the  
17 most direct route usually traveled in coming to and returning from  
18 the place where the Legislature sits. Beginning on April 16, 1997,  
19 each Senator and Representative shall receive for attending each  
20 extraordinary session or called session the sum of Seventy-five  
21 Dollars (\$75.00) per day and mileage at the same rate as per  
22 regular session. In addition to the above, beginning on April 16,  
23 1997, each Senator and Representative and the Lieutenant Governor  
24 shall receive the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars  
25 (\$1,500.00) per month for expenses incidental to his office for  
26 every full month of his term, except any month or major fraction  
27 thereof when the Legislature is convened in regular or  
28 extraordinary session; and payments shall be made to each Senator

29 and Representative and the Lieutenant Governor by the State  
30 Treasurer between the first and tenth day of each month following  
31 the month for which the payments are due.

32         **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
33 and after July 1, 2004.