

By: Representative Stevens

To: Insurance

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 676

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 45-13-11, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO PROVIDE THAT PERMITS ISSUED BY THE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES OF
3 COUNTIES OR MUNICIPALITIES FOR THE SALE OR EXHIBITION OF FIREWORKS
4 SHALL BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION
5 ASSOCIATION AND THE MISSISSIPPI FIRE PREVENTION CODE; AND FOR
6 RELATED PURPOSES.

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

8 **SECTION 1.** Section 45-13-11, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
9 amended as follows:

10 45-13-11. The governing body of any municipality or the
11 board of supervisors of any county outside a municipality may
12 grant permits under which fireworks, the sale, possession or use
13 of which is otherwise prohibited hereby, may be sold and used for
14 exhibition purposes; however, such permit shall be issued in
15 compliance with Section 1123 of the National Fire Protection
16 Association, as revised, and the Mississippi Fire Prevention Code,
17 as revised. Such permits shall require that the persons in charge
18 of such exhibitions shall be experienced in the handling of
19 fireworks and the members of the public attending the exhibitions
20 shall be kept at a safe distance therefrom. Any fireworks held in
21 storage for such exhibitions shall be kept in a closed box until
22 removed therefrom for firing.

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