

By: Representative Malone

To: Corrections

HOUSE BILL NO. 904
(As Sent to Governor)

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 47-5-193, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON TO FURNISH AN
3 OFFENDER UNAUTHORIZED ELECTRONIC DEVICES THAT SEND OR RECEIVE
4 MESSAGES; TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON TO TAKE
5 UNAUTHORIZED ELECTRONIC DEVICES ONTO PROPERTY BELONGING TO THE
6 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

8 **SECTION 1.** Section 47-5-193, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
9 amended as follows:

10 47-5-193. It is unlawful for any officer or employee of the
11 department, of any county sheriff's department, of any private
12 correctional facility in this state in which offenders are
13 confined or for any other person to furnish, attempt to furnish,
14 or assist in furnishing to any offender confined in this state any
15 weapon, deadly weapon, unauthorized electronic device or
16 contraband item. It is unlawful for any person to take, attempt
17 to take, or assist in taking any weapon, deadly weapon,
18 unauthorized electronic device or contraband item on property
19 belonging to the department which is occupied or used by
20 offenders, except as authorized by law.

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