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To: Judiciary B

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 1298

1 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT KNOWINGLY EXPOSING ANOTHER PERSON TO A
2 HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV); TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR
3 VIOLATIONS OF THIS ACT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** (1) It shall be unlawful for any person to
6 knowingly expose another person to a human immunodeficiency virus
7 (HIV).

8 (2) For a violation of this section where no cure is
9 available for such disease such violation shall be a felony and,
10 upon conviction, a violator shall be punished by imprisonment for
11 not more than ten (10) years and a fine of not more than Ten
12 Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00).

13 (3) The provisions of this section shall be in addition to
14 any other provisions of law for which the actions described in
15 this section may be prosecuted.

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