

By: Senator(s) Hewes

To: Public Property

SENATE BILL NO. 2449

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 55-23-15, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO AUTHORIZE THE MISSISSIPPI VETERANS MEMORIAL STADIUM COMMISSION
3 TO LEASE CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY TO THE MISSISSIPPI TRANSPORTATION
4 COMMISSION FOR PARKING FACILITIES FOR DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
5 OFFICES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 55-23-15, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
8 amended as follows:

9 55-23-15. The Mississippi Veterans Memorial Stadium
10 Commission is hereby authorized to utilize certain state-owned
11 land in Hinds County bounded on the east by North State Street, on
12 the north by Taylor Street, on the west by North West Street, and
13 on the south by a street or driveway known as Stadium Drive as a
14 public parking facility establishing reasonable rules and
15 regulations connected with the operation of such a facility,
16 including fees for the privilege of parking. The parking
17 facilities shall not be extended any farther to the east than as
18 the facilities existed on January 1, 1996. Further, the portion
19 of the property described in this section, except the property
20 west of the stadium between the stadium and North West Street,
21 that was undeveloped as of January 1, 1996, shall remain
22 undeveloped unless the Legislature enacts legislation approving
23 the development of such property. The portion of the property
24 described in this section that is west of the stadium between the
25 stadium and North West Street may be developed to provide parking
26 facilities for the Mississippi Department of Transportation
27 offices located on North West Street. The Mississippi Veterans
28 Memorial Stadium Commission may take any action authorized in

29 Section 55-23-8 relating to the property described in such
30 section.

31 The Mississippi Veterans Memorial Stadium Commission is
32 authorized to lease such property to the Mississippi
33 Transportation Commission for parking facilities for Department of
34 Transportation offices, notwithstanding the time limitation on
35 leases or other agreements provided in Section 55-23-8(9).

36 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
37 and after its passage.