

By: Senator(s) Dawkins

To: Ports and Marine Resources

SENATE BILL NO. 2490

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 49-27-61, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
2 TO INCREASE THE FEE FOR THE REMOVAL OF MATERIALS FROM COASTAL  
3 WETLANDS BY PERMITEE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 49-27-61, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
6 amended as follows:

7 49-27-61. The commission shall charge One Dollar (\$1.00) per  
8 cubic yard for any sand or gravel removed from wetlands and Fifty  
9 Cents (50¢) per cubic yard for any other materials removed from  
10 coastal wetlands by a permittee or his agent under the terms of  
11 any permit issued. There shall be no charge levied by the  
12 commission for the removal of one hundred (100) cubic yards or  
13 less of any material removed from wetlands by a permittee or his  
14 agent under the terms of any permit issued. The commission shall  
15 waive the herein specified charges on any project of a  
16 governmental agency or any project wherein expenditures are made  
17 as the result of a governmental grant or governmental bond  
18 proceeds.

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