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To: Appropriations

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 2820

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 5-3-55 AND 5-3-69, MISSISSIPPI CODE
2 OF 1972, TO REVISE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE
3 COMMITTEE ON PERFORMANCE EVALUATION AND EXPENDITURE REVIEW (PEER);
4 AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 5-3-55, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
7 amended as follows:

8 5-3-55. The committee shall be composed of seven (7) members
9 from the Senate and seven (7) members from the House of
10 Representatives, one (1) from each of the congressional districts
11 of the State of Mississippi as they currently exist and three (3)
12 from the state at large, to be appointed by the Lieutenant
13 Governor and the Speaker of the House of Representatives for a
14 term concurrent with their term in their respective house. For
15 the remainder of the present term, the Lieutenant Governor and
16 Speaker shall make their respective appointments within fifteen
17 (15) days after sine die adjournment of the 2004 Regular Session;
18 and for each full four-year term thereafter, the Lieutenant
19 Governor and Speaker shall make their appointments within fifteen
20 (15) days after the first calendar day of the regular session in
21 the first year of such four-year term. No member of the committee
22 shall serve as a member of the Joint Legislative Budget Committee.
23 The term of each member shall be concurrent with his term of
24 office.

25 The committee shall meet no later than ten (10) days after
26 the final day of the 2004 Regular Session, and annually
27 thereafter, for the purpose of organizing by electing from the
28 membership a chairman, vice chairman and secretary.

29 **SECTION 2.** Section 5-3-69, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
30 amended as follows:

31 5-3-69. There shall be no business transacted, including
32 adoption of rules or procedure, without the presence of a quorum
33 of the committee, which shall be eight (8) members to consist of
34 four (4) members from the Senate and four (4) members from the
35 House of Representatives, and no action shall be valid unless
36 approved by the majority of those members present and voting, and
37 entered upon the minutes of the committee and signed by the
38 chairman and vice chairman. All actions of the committee shall be
39 approved by at least four (4) Senate members and four (4) House
40 members.

41 The committee shall meet at the time and place as designated
42 by the majority vote of the members, provided that a special
43 meeting may be called by the chairman or by a petition signed by
44 no less than five (5) members. No action taken by the committee
45 at any special meeting shall be valid unless each member shall
46 have been given at least forty-eight hours' notice of the meeting,
47 along with a statement of the business to be considered, and
48 unless such action be entered upon the minutes of the committee
49 and signed by the chairman.

50 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
51 and after its passage.