

April 28, 2004

TO THE MISSISSIPPI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE FOR HOUSE BILL 912

I am returning House Bill Number 912: "AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 97-29-11, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO DELETE THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH NOTIFY EVERY DISTRICT ATTORNEY IN THE STATE OF THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ALL PERSONS LISTED ON BIRTH CERTIFICATES OF ILLEGITIMATE CHILDREN; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES" without my approval, and assign the following reasons for my veto.

On April 15, 2004, I signed into law Senate Bill 2437, which is identical to House Bill 912. Therefore, there is no need for House Bill 912.

Respectfully submitted,

HALEY BARBOUR
GOVERNOR