By: Representatives Ward, Montgomery

To: Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks

## HOUSE BILL NO. 506

- AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 49-7-140, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
- 2 TO PROHIBIT THE TRANSPORTING OF LIVE WILD HOGS WITHIN THE STATE;
- 3 AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 5 **SECTION 1.** Section 49-7-140, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 6 amended as follows:
- 7 49-7-140. (1) No person may import into the state,
- 8 transport within the state, or release into the wild, any live
- 9 feral hog, wild swine or Russian Boar.
- 10 (2) For the purposes of this section, "feral hogs, wild
- 11 swine or Russian Boar" are defined as any hog that is not a
- 12 domesticated pet or livestock; and "released into the wild" is
- 13 defined as being able to move about freely to adjoining land.
- 14 (3) A violation of this section is a Class I violation
- 15 punishable as provided in Section 49-7-141.
- 16 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 17 and after July 1, 2005.