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To: Judiciary A;
Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 522

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 9-5-36, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL CHANCELLOR FOR THE TENTH CHANCERY COURT
3 DISTRICT; TO AMEND SECTION 9-7-42, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
4 PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL JUDGE FOR THE FIFTEENTH CIRCUIT COURT
5 DISTRICT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 9-5-36, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
8 amended as follows:

9 9-5-36. (1) There shall be four (4) chancellors for the
10 Tenth Chancery Court District.

11 (2) For purposes of appointment and election, the four (4)
12 chancellorships shall be separate and distinct and denominated for
13 purposes of appointment and election only as "Place One," "Place
14 Two," * * * "Place Three" and "Place Four," respectively. The
15 chancellor to fill Place One shall be a resident of Forrest,
16 Lamar, Marion, Pearl River or Perry County. The chancellor to
17 fill Place Two shall be a resident of Lamar, Marion, Pearl River
18 or Perry County. The chancellor to fill Place Three shall be a
19 resident of Forrest County. The chancellor to fill Place Four
20 shall be a resident of Forrest, Lamar, Marion, Pearl River or
21 Perry County. Election of the three (3) offices of chancellor
22 shall be by election to be held in every county within the Tenth
23 Chancery Court District of Mississippi.

24 **SECTION 2.** Section 9-7-42, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
25 amended as follows:

26 9-7-42. There shall be three (3) judges for the Fifteenth
27 Circuit Court District.

28 **SECTION 3.** The Attorney General of the State of Mississippi
29 shall submit this act, immediately upon approval by the Governor,
30 or upon approval by the Legislature subsequent to a veto, to the
31 Attorney General of the United States or to the United States
32 District Court for the District of Columbia in accordance with the
33 provisions of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended and
34 extended.

35 **SECTION 4.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
36 and after the date it is effectuated under Section 5 of the Voting
37 Rights Act of 1965, as amended and extended.