By: Representative Malone

To: Corrections

HOUSE BILL NO. 612

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 97-3-104, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, 1 TO PROHIBIT SEXUAL ACTIVITY BETWEEN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS AND 2 3 OFFENDERS WHO ARE UNDER CORRECTIONAL SUPERVISION; AND FOR RELATED 4 PURPOSES. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 5 SECTION 1. Section 97-3-104, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 6 7 amended as follows: 8 97-3-104. It is unlawful for any jailer, guard, employee of 9 the Department of Corrections, sheriff, constable, marshal or 10 other officer to engage in any sexual penetration, as defined in Section 97-3-97, or have carnal knowledge of any offender, with or 11 without the offender's consent, who is incarcerated at any jail or 12 any state, county or private correctional facility or who is 13 serving on probation, parole, earned-release supervision, 14 post-release supervision, earned probation or any other form of 15 16 correctional supervision. Any person who violates this section is guilty of a felony and upon conviction shall be fined not more 17 than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) or imprisoned for a term 18 19 not to exceed five (5) years, or both. SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from 20

21 and after July 1, 2005.