

By: Representatives Frierson, Read, Janus

To: Conservation and Water Resources

HOUSE BILL NO. 657

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 49-27-13, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
2 TO PROVIDE THAT THE DISTRIBUTION OF WETLANDS APPLICATIONS TO LOCAL  
3 GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES BE DISCRETIONARY RATHER THAN MANDATORY; AND  
4 FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 49-27-13, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
7 amended as follows:

8 49-27-13. The commission may cause a copy of any application  
9 to be mailed immediately to the following parties:

10 (1) The chief administrative officer in the municipality or  
11 municipalities where any part of the proposed activity will be  
12 located;

13 (2) The president of the board of supervisors of any county  
14 where any part of the proposed activity will be located;

15 (3) The executive director of the Department of Wildlife,  
16 Fisheries and Parks;

17 (4) The county attorney of any county in which any part of  
18 the proposed activity will be located or in any county which may  
19 be affected by such activity;

20 (5) The district attorney of any judicial district in which  
21 any part of the proposed activity will be located or of any  
22 district which may be affected by such activity; and

23 (6) The Director of the Gulf Regional Planning Commission.

24 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
25 and after July 1, 2005.