

By: Representative Holland

To: Judiciary B

HOUSE BILL NO. 1484

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 31-1-27, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 PROVIDE THAT THE EXEMPTION FROM THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT FOR CERTAIN
3 APPRAISAL INFORMATION IS NOT APPLICABLE TO EMINENT DOMAIN
4 PROPERTY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 31-1-27, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
7 amended as follows:

8 31-1-27. Appraisal information in the possession of a public
9 body, as defined by paragraph (a) of Section 25-61-3, which
10 concern the sale or purchase of real or personal property for
11 public purposes prior to public announcement of the purchase or
12 sale, where the release of such records would have a detrimental
13 effect on such sale or purchase, shall be exempt from the
14 provisions of the Mississippi Public Records Act of 1983. This
15 exemption shall not apply to any appraisal records concerning
16 property a public body has the power to acquire pursuant to the
17 eminent domain powers enunciated in Section 11-27-1 et seq.

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