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To: Judiciary, Division A

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 2575

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 99-11-3, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 EXTEND THE REPEALER ON VENUE FOR INDICTMENTS BY THE STATE GRAND
3 JURY; TO AMEND SECTION 27, LAWS OF 1993, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER
4 382, LAWS OF 1998, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 480, LAWS OF 1999, AS
5 AMENDED BY CHAPTER 471, LAWS OF 2002, TO EXTEND THE REPEALER ON
6 THE STATE GRAND JURY ACT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

8 **SECTION 1.** Section 99-11-3, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
9 reenacted and amended as follows:

10 99-11-3. (1) The local jurisdiction of all offenses, unless
11 otherwise provided by law, shall be in the county where committed.
12 But, if on the trial the evidence makes it doubtful in which of
13 several counties, including that in which the indictment or
14 affidavit alleges the offense was committed, such doubt shall not
15 avail to procure the acquittal of the defendant.

16 (2) The provisions of subsection (1) of this section shall
17 not apply to indictments returned by a state grand jury. The
18 venue of trials for indictments returned by a state grand jury
19 shall be as provided by the State Grand Jury Act. This subsection
20 shall stand repealed from and after July 1, 2007.

21 **SECTION 2.** Section 27, Chapter 553, Laws of 1993, as amended
22 by Chapter 382, Laws of 1998, as amended by Chapter 480, Laws of
23 1999, as amended by Chapter 471, Laws of 2002, is amended as
24 follows:

25 Section 27. This act shall take effect and be in force from
26 and after its passage, and, with the exception of Section 22,
27 shall stand repealed from and after July 1, 2007.

28 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
29 and after its passage.