

**Adopted
AMENDMENT NO 1 TO COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED
TO**

House Bill No. 203

BY: Senator(s) Ross

1 **AMEND** on lines 19 and 20 by striking everything after the
2 period on line 19 through the period on line 20.

3 **FURTHER AMEND** on lines 26 and 27 by changing the comma on
4 line 26 after the word "passage" to a period and striking
5 everything thereafter through the period on line 27.

6 **FURTHER AMEND** by striking Section 3 in its entirety and
7 inserting in lieu thereof the following:

8 **SECTION *.** Section 25-31-5, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
9 amended as follows:

10 25-31-5. (1) The following number of full-time legal
11 assistants are authorized in the following circuit court
12 districts:

13 (a) First Circuit Court District..... eight (8)
14 legal assistants.

15 (b) Second Circuit Court District..... nine (9)
16 legal assistants.

17 (c) Third Circuit Court District..... five (5)
18 legal assistants.

19 (d) Fourth Circuit Court District..... five (5)
20 legal assistants.

21 (e) Fifth Circuit Court District..... four (4)
22 legal assistants.

23 (f) Sixth Circuit Court District..... two (2)
24 legal assistants.

25 (g) Seventh Circuit Court District..... nine (9)
26 legal assistants.

27 (h) Eighth Circuit Court District..... two (2)
28 legal assistants.

29 (i) Ninth Circuit Court District..... two (2)
30 legal assistants.

31 (j) Tenth Circuit Court District..... four (4)
32 legal assistants.

33 (k) Eleventh Circuit Court District..... five (5)
34 legal assistants.

35 (l) Twelfth Circuit Court District..... three (3)
36 legal assistants.

37 (m) Thirteenth Circuit Court District..... two (2)
38 legal assistants.

39 (n) Fourteenth Circuit Court District..... three (3)
40 legal assistants.

41 (o) Fifteenth Circuit Court District..... five (5)
42 legal assistants.

43 (p) Sixteenth Circuit Court District..... four (4)
44 legal assistants.

45 (q) Seventeenth Circuit Court District..... six (6)
46 legal assistants.

47 (r) Eighteenth Circuit Court District..... two (2)
48 legal assistants.

49 (s) Nineteenth Circuit Court District..... four (4)
50 legal assistants.

51 (t) Twentieth Circuit Court District..... four (4)
52 legal assistants.

53 (u) Twenty-first Circuit Court District..... two (2)
54 legal assistants.

55 (v) Twenty-second Circuit Court District..... two (2)
56 legal assistants.

57 (2) In addition to any legal assistants authorized pursuant
58 to subsection (1) of this section, the following number of
59 full-time legal assistants are authorized (i) in the following
60 circuit court districts if funds are appropriated by the
61 Legislature to adequately fund the salaries, expenses and fringe
62 benefits of such legal assistants, or (ii) in any of the following
63 circuit court districts in which the board of supervisors of one
64 or more of the counties in a circuit court district adopts a
65 resolution to pay all of the salaries, supplemental pay, expenses
66 and fringe benefits of legal assistants authorized in such
67 district pursuant to this subsection:

68 (a) First Circuit Court District..... two (2)
69 legal assistants.

70 (b) Second Circuit Court District..... two (2)
71 legal assistants.

72 (c) Third Circuit Court District..... two (2)
73 legal assistants.

74 (d) Fourth Circuit Court District..... two (2)
75 legal assistants.

76 (e) Fifth Circuit Court District..... two (2)
77 legal assistants.

78 (f) Sixth Circuit Court District..... two (2)
79 legal assistants.

80 (g) Seventh Circuit Court District..... two (2)
81 legal assistants.

82 (h) Eighth Circuit Court District..... two (2)
83 legal assistants.

84 (i) Ninth Circuit Court District..... two (2)
85 legal assistants.

86 (j) Tenth Circuit Court District..... two (2)
87 legal assistants.

88 (k) Eleventh Circuit Court District..... two (2)

89 legal assistants.

90 (l) Twelfth Circuit Court District..... two (2)

91 legal assistants.

92 (m) Thirteenth Circuit Court District..... two (2)

93 legal assistants.

94 (n) Fourteenth Circuit Court District..... two (2)

95 legal assistants.

96 (o) Fifteenth Circuit Court District..... two (2)

97 legal assistants.

98 (p) Sixteenth Circuit Court District..... two (2)

99 legal assistants.

100 (q) Seventeenth Circuit Court District..... two (2)

101 legal assistants.

102 (r) Eighteenth Circuit Court District..... two (2)

103 legal assistants.

104 (s) Nineteenth Circuit Court District..... two (2)

105 legal assistants.

106 (t) Twentieth Circuit Court District..... two (2)

107 legal assistants.

108 (u) Twenty-first Circuit Court District..... two (2)

109 legal assistants.

110 (v) Twenty-second Circuit Court District..... two (2)

111 legal assistants.

112 (3) The board of supervisors of any county may pay all or a
113 part of the salary, supplemental pay, expenses and fringe benefits
114 of any district attorney or legal assistant authorized in the
115 circuit court district to which such county belongs pursuant to
116 this section.

117 **SECTION *.** The Attorney General of the State of Mississippi
118 shall submit Section __ of this act, immediately upon approval by
119 the Governor, or upon approval by the Legislature subsequent to a
120 veto, to the Attorney General of the United States or to the

121 United States District Court for the District of Columbia in
122 accordance with the provisions of the Voting Rights Act of 1965,
123 as amended and extended.

124 **SECTION *.** Sections 1 and 2 of this act shall take effect
125 and be in force from and after its passage. The remainder of this
126 act shall take effect and be in force from and after the date it
127 is effectuated under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965,
128 as amended and extended, or July 1, 2005, whichever is later.

129 **FURTHER, AMEND** the title on lines 2 and 5 by striking the
130 word "EXTEND" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "REMOVE".

131 **FURTHER, AMEND** the title on line 6 by inserting after the
132 semicolon the following:

133 TO AMEND SECTION 25-31-5, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE THE
134 NUMBER OF ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEYS AUTHORIZED;