

By: Senator(s) Chaney

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 513

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING OLE
2 MISS JUNIOR OUTFIELDER BRIAN PETTWAY OF VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI,
3 FOR HIS SELECTION AS RECIPIENT OF THE 2005 CELLULAR SOUTH FERRISS
4 TROPHY WHICH RECOGNIZES MISSISSIPPI'S TOP COLLEGE BASEBALL PLAYER.

5 WHEREAS, Ole Miss Junior outfielder Brian Pettway of
6 Vicksburg, Mississippi, was named Mississippi's top college
7 baseball player for 2005 on Monday, May 23, 2005, when he was
8 named the recipient of the Cellular South Ferriss Trophy in a
9 presentation at the Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame & Museum in
10 Jackson, Mississippi; and

11 WHEREAS, Pettway finished the regular season as the SEC's top
12 hitter with a .400 average. His 86 hits were the second best in
13 the league and his 17 homers tied him with Ole Miss teammate and
14 fellow Ferriss Trophy finalist Stephen Head for fourth in the SEC.
15 Head won the award last year; and

16 WHEREAS, Pettway was a high school teammate of Delta State
17 catcher Craig Newton at Warren Central High School in Vicksburg,
18 Mississippi. Craig was also a finalist for the state's top
19 collegiate baseball honor; and

20 WHEREAS, the finalists and eventual winner were determined in
21 two rounds of voting by Major League scouts in Mississippi,
22 coaches and the state's twelve four-year college baseball programs
23 and a media representative; and

24 WHEREAS, the award is named for Dave "Boo" Ferriss, an
25 inductee into the Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame and the Boston
26 Red Sox Hall of Fame; and

27 WHEREAS, former New York Yankees' standout and ex-American
28 League President Dr. Bobby Brown presented the trophy at the

29 ceremony held at the Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame and Museum;
30 and

31 WHEREAS, Pettway was among five Ole Miss players to receive
32 All-Southeastern Conference honors, league officials announced
33 Tuesday, May 24, 2005. Brian, the Ferriss Award winner, and first
34 baseman/pitcher Stephen Head were first-team selections; and

35 WHEREAS, in the summer of 2004 and the summer of 2003, Brian
36 played for the Jackson 96ers in the Cotton States League and in
37 2004 was named second team All-SEC as a utility player by *The*
38 *Chattanooga Times Free Press*; and

39 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we recognize this
40 special award by a dedicated athlete who has brought honor to his
41 university, his community and to the State of Mississippi:

42 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
43 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
44 we do hereby commend and congratulate Ole Miss Junior Outfielder
45 Brian Pettway of Vicksburg, Mississippi, for his selection as
46 recipient of the 2005 Cellular South Ferriss Trophy, which
47 recognizes Mississippi's Top College Baseball Player, and extend
48 to him and his team the best wishes of the Legislature as they
49 commence post-season tournament play.

50 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to
51 Coach Mike Bianco, Brian Pettway and his family, and be made
52 available to the Capitol Press Corps.