

By: Representatives Moak, Barnett, Formby

To: Judiciary A;
Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 58

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 9-7-42, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL JUDGE FOR THE FIFTEENTH CIRCUIT COURT
3 DISTRICT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 9-7-42, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
6 amended as follows:

7 9-7-42. (1) There shall be three (3) judges for the
8 Fifteenth Circuit Court District.

9 (2) For purposes of appointment and election, the three (3)
10 judgeships shall be separate and distinct and denominated for
11 purposes of appointment and election only as "Place One," * * *
12 "Place Two" and "Place Three."

13 **SECTION 2.** The Attorney General of the State of Mississippi
14 shall submit this act, immediately upon approval by the Governor,
15 or upon approval by the Legislature subsequent to a veto, to the
16 Attorney General of the United States or to the United States
17 District Court for the District of Columbia in accordance with the
18 provisions of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended and
19 extended.

20 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
21 and after the date it is effectuated under Section 5 of the Voting
22 Rights Act of 1965, as amended and extended.