By: Representatives Evans, Buck, Coleman (29th), Flaggs, Fleming, Holloway, Straughter, Watson

To: Municipalities; County Affairs

HOUSE BILL NO. 419

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES OF ANY 2 MUNICIPALITY OR THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ANY COUNTY TO DEDUCT 3 OR PERMIT TO BE DEDUCTED FROM THE SALARY OF A MUNICIPAL OR COUNTY 4 EMPLOYEE DUES OR FEES PAYABLE TO AN ORGANIZATION OR ASSOCIATION AT 5 THE WRITTEN REQUEST OF THE EMPLOYEE INVOLVED; TO BRING FORWARD 6 SECTIONS 37-9-49 AND 25-3-67, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, FOR 7 PURPOSES OF AMENDMENT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: <u>SECTION 1.</u> The governing authorities of any municipality or the board of supervisors of any county may deduct or permit to be deducted from the salary of a municipal or county employee, with a written request by the employee involved, any dues or fees payable to an organization or association because of membership of the employee in the organization or association.

15 SECTION 2. Section 37-9-49, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 16 brought forward as follows:

17 37-9-49. It shall be unlawful for the superintendent of schools to deduct or permit to be deducted from the salary of any 18 19 superintendent, principal or licensed employee any dues, fines or 20 penalties payable or alleged to be payable because of the membership of such superintendent, principal or licensed employee 21 22 in any organization or association. However, dues or premiums in 23 health associations or corporations and tax sheltered annuity 24 deductions authorized by the United States Internal Revenue Code may be deducted upon written authorization from the 25 26 superintendent, principal or licensed employee involved. Any superintendent of schools who shall make any such deduction or 27 28 permit any such deduction to be made, except those herein provided, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction 29

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30 shall be punished by a fine of not more than Twenty-five Dollars 31 (\$25.00) for each such deduction.

32 SECTION 3. Section 25-3-67, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
33 brought forward as follows:

34 25-3-67. The governing authorities of any municipality may, 35 within their discretion, deduct from the salary of any individual 36 municipal employee an amount to be deposited with the municipal 37 credit union, contributions for the United Way, life,

38 health-and-accident insurance and United States Savings Bonds, if 39 a request for such deductions is made in writing by the employee. 40 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from 41 and after July 1, 2006.

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ST: Association or organization dues; authorize
municipalities and counties to deduct from
employee's salary at employee's request.