

By: Representative Weathersby

To: Public Property

HOUSE BILL NO. 991
(As Passed the House)

1 AN ACT TO CREATE A JOINT LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMITTEE FOR THE
2 PURPOSES OF STUDYING DEVELOPMENT POSSIBILITIES AND ALTERNATIVES
3 FOR THE PROPERTY FORMERLY OCCUPIED BY THE MISSISSIPPI SCHOOL FOR
4 THE BLIND AND TO CONSIDER THE DISPOSAL OF ANY STATE PROPERTY
5 DEEMED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION TO BE
6 SURPLUS PROPERTY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

8 SECTION 1. (1) There is created a joint committee of the
9 Legislature for the purpose of studying development possibilities
10 and alternatives for the real property owned by the State of
11 Mississippi and formerly occupied by the Mississippi School for
12 the Blind. The joint committee shall consider the best interests
13 of nearby neighborhoods, the Mississippi School for the Blind and
14 preservation thereof in making its report. The joint committee
15 shall also study and consider the disposal of any state property
16 determined by the Department of Finance and Administration to be
17 surplus property. The joint committee shall be composed of five
18 (5) members of the House of Representatives appointed by the
19 Speaker of the House and five (5) members appointed by the
20 Lieutenant Governor. The joint committee shall report to the
21 House of Representatives and the Senate by January 5, 2007, as to
22 its findings.

23 (2) No action shall be taken with respect to any sale, lease
24 or development of the real property described in subsection (1) of
25 this section without specific legislative act.

26 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
27 and after its passage.