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To: Fees and Salaries of
Public Officers;
Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1297

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 5-1-41, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 REVISE THE COMPENSATION OF LEGISLATORS; TO BRING FORWARD SECTIONS
3 5-1-45 AND 5-1-46, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, WHICH PROVIDE
4 COMPENSATION FOR THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE AND SPEAKER PRO
5 TEMPORE, FOR PURPOSES OF AMENDMENT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 5-1-41, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
8 amended as follows:

9 5-1-41. Beginning with the 2007 Regular Session of the
10 Legislature of the State of Mississippi, each Senator and
11 Representative of the Legislature shall receive as compensation at
12 each regular session the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars
13 (\$15,000.00) and the mileage allowance provided by Section
14 25-3-41, for each mile of the distance by the most direct route
15 usually traveled in coming to and returning from the place where
16 the Legislature sits. Beginning on April 16, 1997, each Senator and
17 Representative shall receive for attending each extraordinary
18 session or called session the sum of Seventy-five Dollars (\$75.00)
19 per day and mileage at the same rate as per regular session. In
20 addition to the above, beginning on April 16, 2006, each Senator
21 and Representative and the Lieutenant Governor shall receive the
22 sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for expenses incidental to
23 such office for every full month of the Senator's or
24 Representative's term, except any month or major fraction thereof
25 when the Legislature is convened in regular or extraordinary
26 session; and payments shall be made to each Senator and
27 Representative and the Lieutenant Governor by the State Treasurer

28 between the first and tenth day of each month following the month
29 for which the payments are due.

30 **SECTION 2.** Section 5-1-45, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
31 brought forward as follows:

32 5-1-45. Beginning on June 4, 1997, the President Pro Tempore
33 of the Senate shall receive an annual salary in an amount equal to
34 Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00). The salary provided for
35 the President Pro Tempore under this section shall be in addition
36 to the compensation and expense allowance established for members
37 of the Legislature under Section 5-1-41.

38 **SECTION 3.** Section 5-1-46, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
39 brought forward as follows:

40 5-1-46. Beginning on June 4, 1997, the Speaker Pro Tempore
41 of the House of Representatives shall receive an annual salary in
42 an amount equal to Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00). The
43 salary provided for the Speaker Pro Tempore under this section
44 shall be in addition to the compensation and expense allowance
45 established for members of the Legislature under Section 5-1-41.

46 **SECTION 4.** The Attorney General of the State of Mississippi
47 shall submit this act, immediately upon approval by the Governor,
48 or upon approval by the Legislature subsequent to a veto, to the
49 Attorney General of the United States or to the United States
50 District Court for the District of Columbia in accordance with the
51 provisions of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended and
52 extended.

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