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SENATE BILL NO. 2763

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 89-6-3, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 PROVIDE THAT PLANE COORDINATE VALUES USED TO EXPRESS GEOGRAPHIC
3 POSITION MAY BE EXPRESSED IN U.S. SURVEY FEET; TO AMEND 89-6-13 TO
4 CORRECT REFERENCE TO A CERTAIN STATE BOARD; AND FOR RELATED
5 PURPOSES.

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

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 89-6-3, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
8 amended as follows:

9 89-6-3. The plane coordinate values for a point on the
10 earth's surface, used to express the geographic position or
11 location of such point in the appropriate zone of the systems
12 described in Section 89-6-1, shall consist of two (2) distances
13 expressed in U.S. Survey Feet and decimals of a foot when using
14 the Mississippi Coordinate System of 1927 and expressed in meters
15 and decimals of a meter or U.S. Survey Feet and decimals of a foot
16 when using the Mississippi Coordinate System of 1983. One (1) of
17 these distances, to be known as the "Y" or "N-coordinate," shall
18 give the position in a north and south direction; the other, to be
19 known as the "X" or "E-coordinate," shall give the position in an
20 east and west direction. These coordinates shall be made to
21 depend upon and conform to the plane rectangular coordinate values
22 for the monumented points of the National Geodetic Reference
23 System as published by the National Ocean Service/National
24 Geodetic Survey (formerly the United States Coast and Geodetic
25 Survey), or its successors, and whose plane coordinates have been
26 computed on the system defined in this chapter.

27 **SECTION 2.** Section 89-6-13, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
28 amended as follows:

29 89-6-13. For purposes of describing the location of any
30 point in the State of Mississippi, it shall be considered a
31 complete, legal and satisfactory description of such location to
32 give the position of such point on the system of plane coordinates
33 defined in this chapter, provided the connection to the
34 Mississippi Coordinate System is made in accordance with the
35 provisions of this chapter and the * * * standards of practice for
36 surveying as adopted by the * * * Board of Licensure for
37 Professional Engineers and * * * Surveyors. Whenever coordinates
38 are affixed to any point which has previously been described by
39 another system, the coordinates shall be construed as additional
40 evidence of the location of the same point. In the event of any
41 conflict as to the point or its location, the common rules of
42 evidence shall be used to resolve the conflict. When used to
43 reference the position of a point to be cited in recorded
44 description of real property, the description must be written in a
45 form that is tied to the existing land system.

46 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
47 and after its passage.