Adopted COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO

House Bill No. 1549

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Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

- 5 **SECTION 1.** There shall be allowed as a credit against the
- 6 tax imposed by this chapter the actual expenses incurred for an
- 7 adoption by the taxpayer as attorney's fees and court costs, not
- 8 to exceed Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), for each dependent
- 9 child legally adopted by a taxpayer under the laws of this state
- 10 during calendar year 2006 or during any calendar year thereafter.
- 11 The tax credit under this section may be claimed only for the
- 12 taxable year in which the adoption becomes final under the laws of
- 13 this state and may include attorney's fees and court costs that
- 14 relate to the adoption that were incurred in prior years. A tax
- 15 credit is not allowed under this section for any child for which
- 16 an exemption is claimed during the same taxable year under Section
- $17 \quad 27-7-21(e)$.
- 18 **SECTION 2.** Section 1 of this act shall be codified in
- 19 Chapter 7 of Title 27, Mississippi Code of 1972.
- 20 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 21 and after January 1, 2006.

Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

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AN ACT TO PROVIDE AN INCOME TAX CREDIT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000.00 FOR ATTORNEY'S FEES AND COURT COSTS ACTUALLY

³ INCURRED FOR THE ADOPTION OF A CHILD; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.