

By: Representative Malone

To: Corrections

HOUSE BILL NO. 426  
(As Sent to Governor)

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 47-5-1205, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
2 TO ALLOW THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS TO HOUSE OFFENDERS NOT  
3 SENTENCED TO THE REGIMENTED INMATE DISCIPLINE PROGRAM IN BEDS  
4 RESERVED FOR THE PROGRAM; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 47-5-1205, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
7 amended as follows:

8 47-5-1205. (1) The State Prison Emergency Construction and  
9 Management Board shall provide for the construction and shall  
10 equip additional housing and necessary support facilities for one  
11 thousand two hundred sixteen (1,216) medium security male  
12 offenders and for two hundred (200) male offenders sentenced to  
13 the Regimented Inmate Discipline Program at the South Mississippi  
14 Correctional Institution. The department may house offenders not  
15 sentenced to the Regimented Inmate Discipline Program in the two  
16 hundred (200) beds reserved for the program as it deems  
17 appropriate.

18 (2) The State Prison Emergency Construction and Management  
19 Board shall provide for the construction and shall equip  
20 additional housing and support facilities for seven hundred (700)  
21 medium security male offenders at the Central Mississippi  
22 Correctional Facility.

23 (3) The State Prison Emergency Construction and Management  
24 Board shall use funds from the "Corrections Facilities Emergency  
25 Construction Fund."

26 (4) The Department of Finance and Administration shall use  
27 its emergency powers to expedite the construction of these  
28 facilities. In the planning, design, procurement and construction

29 of these facilities, the board shall make maximum utilization of  
30 plans, specifications and processes used in, completed or on-going  
31 construction projects for the Mississippi Department of  
32 Corrections.

33         **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
34 and after its passage.