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HOUSE BILL NO. 941

1 AN ACT TO PROVIDE IMMUNITY FOR THE USE OF SHELTERS DURING
2 EMERGENCIES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** Any person or organization, public or private,
5 owning or operating immovable property or other premises who
6 voluntarily and without compensation grants a license or privilege
7 or otherwise permits the designation by state or local governing
8 authorities or the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency or use
9 of the whole or any part of the immovable property or premises for
10 the purpose of sheltering persons or household pets or service
11 animals during an actual, impending, mock or practice emergency,
12 together with his successor in interest, if any, shall not be
13 liable for the death of, or injury to, any person or household
14 pets or service animals on or about such immovable property or
15 premises during the actual, impending, mock, or practice
16 emergency, or for loss of, or damage to, the property of such
17 person, solely by reason or as a result of the license, privilege,
18 designation, or use, unless the gross negligence or the willful
19 and wanton misconduct of the person owning or operating the
20 immovable property or premises or his successor in interest is the
21 proximate cause of the death, injury, loss or damage occurring
22 during the sheltering period.

23 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
24 and after July 1, 2007.