

By: Representative Clarke

To: Public Health and Human Services; Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1127

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH TO
2 CONTRACT WITH A SERVICE PROVIDER FOR LONG-TERM RESIDENTIAL
3 SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT SERVICES FOR PERSONS OVER 18 YEARS OF
4 AGE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** The Department of Mental Health is authorized to
7 contract with a service provider who treats both men and women
8 over the age of 18 and provides long-term residential substance
9 abuse treatment services for up to twenty-four (24) months plus
10 additional residential aftercare services that are not to exceed
11 six (6) months. Any participant in the residential substance
12 abuse treatment services must meet admission standards that shall
13 be formulated by the providers of the residential substance abuse
14 treatment services.

15 The appropriations for the services provided in this section
16 are not to exceed Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00)
17 per year per participant. It is the intent of this act that the
18 participant shall participate in the work therapy component of the
19 provider's residential treatment services. Total appropriations
20 for residential substance abuse treatment services that shall be
21 provided for services shall not exceed Five Hundred Thousand
22 Dollars (\$500,000.00).

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