

By: Representative Lott

To: Judiciary A

HOUSE BILL NO. 1530

1 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT OFFICIAL RESISTANCE OR NONCOOPERATION OF
2 SHARING INFORMATION REGARDING IMMIGRATION STATUS; AND FOR RELATED
3 PURPOSES.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
6 no government entity or official within the State of Mississippi
7 may prohibit, or in any way restrict, any government entity or
8 official from sending to, or receiving from, an agency of the
9 federal government, information regarding the citizenship or
10 immigration status, lawful or unlawful, of any individual.

11 (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person or
12 agency within the State of Mississippi may prohibit, or in any way
13 restrict, a public employee from doing any of the following with
14 respect to information regarding the immigration status, lawful or
15 unlawful, of any individual:

16 (a) Sending such information to, or requesting or
17 receiving such information from, an agency of the federal
18 government.

19 (b) Maintaining such information.

20 (c) Exchanging such information with any other federal,
21 state, or local government entity.

22 (3) This section shall allow for a private right of action
23 by any natural or legal person lawfully domiciled in this state to
24 file for a writ of mandamus to compel any noncooperating agency of
25 the State of Mississippi or any political subdivision thereof to
26 comply with such reporting laws.

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