

By: Senator(s) Thames

To: Fees, Salaries and Administration

SENATE BILL NO. 2694

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 25-3-15, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 REVISE THE SALARY SCALE FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN
3 ANY COUNTY WHEREIN 15,000 ACRES OR MORE OF THE REAL PROPERTY OF
4 THE COUNTY IS OWNED BY AN AGENCY OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND
5 CONSEQUENTLY EXEMPTED FROM AD VALOREM TAXES; AND FOR RELATED
6 PURPOSES.

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

8 **SECTION 1.** Section 25-3-15, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
9 amended as follows:

10 25-3-15. * * * In any county of the state having producing
11 oil or gas wells, the total valuation of such oil or gas produced,
12 as reported by the State Tax Commission for the last preceding
13 calendar year, may be combined with the total assessed valuation
14 of the county in computing its category for the purpose of fixing
15 the salary of the members of the board of supervisors of the
16 county. * * * In any county wherein fifteen thousand (15,000)
17 acres or more of the real property of the county is owned by an
18 agency of the federal government, and consequently exempt from ad
19 valorem taxes, the salary of the members of the board of
20 supervisors in each such county shall be that established by the
21 next highest rate from that determined by the total assessed value
22 of the property of the county.

23 **SECTION 2.** The Attorney General of the State of Mississippi
24 shall submit this act, immediately upon approval by the Governor,
25 or upon approval by the Legislature subsequent to a veto, to the
26 Attorney General of the United States or to the United States
27 District Court for the District of Columbia in accordance with the
28 provisions of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended and
29 extended.

30 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
31 and after the date it is effectuated under Section 5 of the Voting
32 Rights Act of 1965, as amended and extended, or October 1, 2007,
33 whichever occurs later.