

## House Amendments to Senate Bill No. 3015

TO THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE:

THIS IS TO INFORM YOU THAT THE HOUSE HAS ADOPTED THE AMENDMENTS SET OUT BELOW:

### AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7           **SECTION 1.** Section 37-105-3, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
8 amended as follows:

9           37-105-3. (1) The traffic officers duly appointed by the  
10 president of any state institution of higher learning, or any  
11 peace officer or highway patrolman of this state, are vested with  
12 the powers and authority to perform all duties incident to  
13 enforcing such rules and regulations as may be enacted under the  
14 authority granted in Section 37-105-1, including the arrest of  
15 violators.

16           (2) The peace officers duly employed by Jackson State  
17 University and the University of Southern Mississippi are also  
18 vested with the powers and subjected to the duties of a constable  
19 for the purpose of preventing all violations of law that occur  
20 within five hundred (500) feet of any property owned by the  
21 university, if such universities determine that they want such  
22 peace officers to exercise such powers and if reasonably  
23 determined to have a possible impact on the safety of students,  
24 faculty or staff of the university while on said property.  
25 Provided, however, that nothing in this section shall be  
26 interpreted to require action by any such peace officer appointed  
27 by such universities to events occurring outside the boundaries of  
28 university property, nor shall any such university or its  
29 employees be liable for any failure to act to any event occurring  
30 outside the boundaries of property owned by the university.  
31 Jackson State University and the University of Southern  
32 Mississippi may enter into an interlocal agreement with other law

33 enforcement entities for the provision of equipment or traffic  
34 control duties, however, the duty to enforce traffic regulations  
35 and to enforce the laws of the state or municipality off of  
36 university property lies with the local police or sheriff's  
37 department which cannot withhold its services solely because of  
38 the lack of such an agreement.

39       **SECTION 2.** Section 37-29-275, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
40 amended as follows:

41       37-29-275. Any act, which, if committed within the limits of  
42 a city, town or village, or in any public place, would be a  
43 violation of the general laws of this state, shall be criminal and  
44 punishable if done on the campus, grounds or roads of any of the  
45 state-supported junior colleges. The peace officers duly  
46 appointed by the board of trustees of state-supported community or  
47 junior colleges or officers of private security firms licensed by  
48 the State of Mississippi contracted by the boards of trustees of  
49 state supported community/junior colleges are vested with the  
50 powers and subjected to the duties of a constable for the purpose  
51 of preventing and punishing all violations of law on  
52 state-supported junior college grounds and for preserving order  
53 and decorum thereon. Peace officers appointed by the boards of  
54 trustees or officers of private security firms licensed by the  
55 State of Mississippi contracted by the boards of trustees shall  
56 have authority to bear arms in order to carry out their law  
57 enforcement responsibilities if such officers have been certified  
58 according to the minimum standards established by the Board on Law  
59 Enforcement Officer Standards and Training. The peace officers  
60 duly appointed by the boards of trustees of public  
61 community/junior colleges are also vested with the powers and  
62 subjected to the duties of a constable for the purpose of  
63 preventing all violations of law that occur within five hundred  
64 (500) feet of any property owned by the college, if reasonably  
65 determined to have a possible impact on the safety of students,  
66 faculty or staff of the college while on said property. Provided,  
67 however, that nothing in this section shall be interpreted to

68 require action by any such peace officer appointed by a college to  
69 events occurring outside the boundaries of college property, nor  
70 shall any such college or its employees be liable for any failure  
71 to act to any event occurring outside the boundaries of property  
72 owned by the college. If a law enforcement officer is duly  
73 appointed to be a peace officer by a college under this section,  
74 the board of trustees of the public community/junior college may  
75 enter into an interlocal agreement with other law enforcement  
76 entities for the provision of equipment or traffic control duties,  
77 however, the duty to enforce traffic regulations and to enforce  
78 the laws of the state or municipality off of college property lies  
79 with the local police or sheriff's department which cannot  
80 withhold its services solely because of the lack of such an  
81 agreement.

82       **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
83 and after July 1, 2007.

**Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and  
inserting in lieu thereof the following:**

1       AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 37-105-3 AND 37-29-275, MISSISSIPPI  
2 CODE OF 1972, TO EXPAND THE JURISDICTION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT  
3 OFFICERS EMPLOYED AND DESIGNATED BY CERTAIN STATE UNIVERSITIES OR  
4 PUBLIC COMMUNITY/JUNIOR COLLEGE TO INCLUDE THE AREA WITHIN 500  
5 FEET OF UNIVERSITY OR COLLEGE PROPERTY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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