Senate Amendments to House Bill No. 1018

TO THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE:

THIS IS TO INFORM YOU THAT THE SENATE 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:

10 Section 49-7-51, Mississippi Code of 1972, is SECTION 1. amended as follows: 11 It is unlawful for any person to buy or 49 - 7 - 51. (1) (a) 12 sell or to offer for sale, exchange for merchandise, or other 13 consideration, within this state, any game birds, game animals, or 14 game fish, or parts thereof, named in this chapter, whether taken 15 within or coming from without the state, except as specifically 16 17 permitted by law or regulation. 18 (b) It is lawful for the following items to be bought 19 and sold in accordance with the rules and regulations promulgated 20 by the commission: 21 (i) * * * The skins and sinew of deer and products crafted, fashioned or made from deer bones or antlers not in 22 23 velvet; 24 (ii Any part of a wild turkey, except the meat; 25 and (iii) Any parts of nuisance animals * * *. 26 27 (c) Mounted game animals, birds and fish may not be 28 sold, purchased or leased. (d) A violation of this subsection is a Class I 29 30 violation and is punishable as provided in Section 49-7-141. 31 (2) Any person who buys, sells, offers for sale, exchange for merchandise, or other consideration, any wild bird, wild 32 animal or fish that has been taken illegally is guilty of a Class 33 34 I violation and punished as provided in Section 49-7-141.

35 **SECTION 2.** Section 49-7-53, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 36 amended as follows:

49-7-53. (1) It is unlawful for any railroad, express 37 38 company or common carrier to knowingly receive for shipment or to ship any game animals, birds, or fish named in this chapter; 39 except that a railroad, express company or common carrier may 40 receive and carry game animals, birds or fish when accompanied by 41 the hunter killing same and as provided otherwise in this chapter. 42 43 (2) No person or corporation may ship, transport or carry, cause to be shipped, transported or carried, or receive for 44 45 shipment, transportation or carriage, or have in his possession 46 with intent to ship, transport or carry, or secure the shipment, transportation or carriage beyond the limits of this state, any 47 game animal, bird or fish, except for the following in accordance 48 49 with rules and regulations promulgated by the commission: Rabbits; 50 (a) 51 (b) The furs or pelts of beaver, opossum, otter, 52 raccoon or other fur-bearing animals during the open season and 53 ten (10) days thereafter; Skins and sinew of deer and products crafted, 54 (C) fashioned or made from deer bones or antlers not in velvet; * * * 55 56 Game fish produced in a legally permitted (d) aquaculture facility pursuant to Section 79-22-9; 57 58 Any part of a wild turkey, except the meat; and (e) The meat, hide or any other body parts of nuisance 59 (f) 60 animals. The offering or reception by any person or corporation 61 (3) within this state of any such birds, animals or fish for shipment 62 from this state shall be prima facie evidence that such birds, 63 animals or game fish were killed, captured or taken within the 64 65 state. Each game animal, bird or fish in possession, received for shipment or transportation, or shipped or transported in violation 66 of this section is a separate offense. 67

68 (4) A nonresident licensee during the open season may ship,69 transport or carry from this state any game animal, bird or fish

H. B. 1018 PAGE 2 70 lawfully taken but not in excess of the bag and possession limits
71 prescribed in Section 49-7-41.

Such nonresident licensee shall accompany the shipment or 72 73 shall attach to such animals, birds or fish, or any package containing them, an affidavit in a form to be prescribed by the 74 executive director that such animals, birds or fish were lawfully 75 76 killed or taken by him and are being shipped or transported to his 77 home and are not for sale. A duplicate of such affidavit shall be filed with the transportation company or agent thereof, whose duty 78 79 it shall be to transmit the same to the executive director within ten (10) days after its receipt. Such affidavit shall be sworn to 80 within ten (10) days after its receipt, and shall be sworn to 81 before a person authorized to administer oaths in the state. For 82 83 such purpose, conservation officers and agents of the transportation companies are hereby authorized to administer such 84 85 oaths.

86 (5) A violation of this section is a Class I violation and
87 is punishable as provided in Section 49-7-141.

88 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from 89 and after its passage.

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

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 49-7-51, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO 1 2 AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF PRODUCTS CRAFTED FROM DEER BONE OR ANTLERS 3 NOT IN VELVET, PARTS OF WILD TURKEY OR THE HIDES OR ANY OTHER BODY 4 PARTS OF NUISANCE ANIMALS; TO AMEND SECTION 49-7-53, MISSISSIPPI 5 CODE OF 1972, TO AUTHORIZE THE INTERSTATE SHIPMENT AND б TRANSPORTATION OF PRODUCTS CRAFTED FROM DEER BONE OR ANTLERS NOT 7 IN VELVET, PARTS OF WILD TURKEY OR THE HIDES OR ANY OTHER BODY PARTS OF NUISANCE ANIMALS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. 8

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