Senate Amendments to House Bill No. 1143

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:

- 9 Section 25-53-191, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 10 amended as follows: 25-53-191. (1) For the purposes of this section, the 11 following terms shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this 12 13 section unless the context otherwise clearly requires: "Department" means the Mississippi Department of 14 15 Information Technology. 16 "State agency" means any agency, department, commission, board, bureau, institution or other instrumentality of 17 the state. 18 "Wireless communication device" means a cellular 19 20 telephone, pager or a personal digital assistant device having wireless communication capability. 21 (a) Before a wireless communication device may be 22 assigned, issued or made available to an agency officer or employee, the agency head, or his designee, shall sign a statement
- assigned, issued or made available to an agency officer or
 employee, the agency head, or his designee, shall sign a statement
 certifying the need or reason for issuing the device. Except as
 provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, no officer or
 employee of any state agency * * * shall be assigned or issued
- 28 more than one (1) such wireless communication device.
- (b) The following officers and employees may be
- 31 (i) Any district attorney and employee thereof;

assigned more than one (1) wireless communication device:

- 32 (ii) Any officer or employee of the University of
- 33 Mississippi Medical Center, the Mississippi Emergency Management

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34 Agency, the Department of Public Safety and the Department of

35 Military; and

36 (iv) During declared disasters, any officer or

37 employee of the Department of Human Services.

38 (c) No officer or employee of any state agency to whom

39 has been assigned, issued or made available the use of a wireless

40 communication device, the cost of which is paid through the use of

41 public funds, shall use such device for personal use.

42 (3) A state agency shall not reimburse any officer or

43 employee for use of his or her personal wireless communication

44 device.

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45 (4) Every state agency that, at the expense of the state

46 agency, assigns, issues or makes available to any of its officers

47 or employees a wireless communication device shall obtain and

48 maintain detailed billing for every wireless communication device

49 account. A list of approved vendors for the procurement of

50 wireless communication devices and the delivery of wireless

51 communication device services shall be developed for all state

52 agencies by the Mississippi Department of Information Technology

53 Services in conjunction with the Wireless Communication Commission

54 created in Section 25-53-171. The department, in conjunction with

55 the Wireless Communication Commission, shall exercise the option

of selecting one (1) vendor from which to procure wireless

57 communication devices and to provide wireless communication device

services, or if it deems such to be most advantageous to the state

59 agencies, it may select multiple vendors. The department, in

60 conjunction with the Wireless Communication Commission, shall

61 select a vendor or vendors on the basis of lowest and best bid

62 proposals. A state agency may not procure a wireless

63 communication device from any vendor or contract for wireless

64 communication device services with any vendor unless the vendor

65 appears on the list approved by the department, in conjunction

66 with the Wireless Communication Commission. A contract entered

67 into in violation of this section shall be void and unenforceable.

- 68 The department shall promulgate a model acceptable use policy defining the appropriate use of all wireless communication 69 devices. The acceptable use policy should specify that these 70 71 resources, including both devices and services, are provided at 72 the state agency's expense as tools for accomplishing the business 73 missions of the state agency; that all those resources are for business use; and that more than incidental personal use of those 74 75 resources is prohibited. The acceptable use policy should require 76 that each official and employee issued one (1) of the above 77 devices or authorized to access one (1) of the above services sign the policy and that the signed copy be placed in the personnel 78 file of the official or employee. The acceptable use policy 79 should also require that the use of these resources be tracked, 80 81 verified and signed by the official or employee and the supervisor of the official or employee at each billing cycle or other 82 83 appropriate interval. All state agencies shall adopt the model policy or adopt a policy that is, at minimum, as stringent as the 84 model policy and shall provide a copy of the policy to the 85 department. 86
- (6) All state agencies shall purchase or acquire only the lowest cost cellular telephone, pager or personal digital assistance device which will carry out its intended use.
- 90 (7) The State Auditor shall conduct necessary audits to 91 ensure compliance with the provisions of this section.
- 92 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from 93 and after July 1, 2007.

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

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 25-53-191, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
TO EXEMPT DISTRICT ATTORNEYS, THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI
MEDICAL CENTER, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, THE DEPARTMENT OF
MILITARY, AND DURING DECLARED DISASTERS THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
SERVICES FROM THE PROVISION WHICH PROHIBITS MORE THAN ONE WIRELESS
COMMUNICATION DEVICE BEING ISSUED TO A STATE EMPLOYEE; AND FOR
RELATED PURPOSES.

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