

**Adopted
COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO**

House Bill No. 985

BY: Committee

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

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 47-5-931, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
8 amended as follows:
9 47-5-931. (1) The Department of Corrections, in its
10 discretion, may contract with the board of supervisors of one or
11 more counties and/or with a regional facility * * * operated by
12 one or more counties, to provide for housing, care and control of
13 not more than three hundred (300) offenders who are in the custody
14 of the State of Mississippi. Any facility owned or leased by a
15 county or counties for this purpose shall be designed,
16 constructed, operated and maintained in accordance with American
17 Correctional Association standards, and shall comply with all
18 constitutional standards of the United States and the State of
19 Mississippi, and with all court orders that may now or hereinafter
20 be applicable to the facility. If the Department of Corrections
21 contracts with more than one (1) county to house state offenders
22 in county correctional facilities, excluding a regional facility,
23 then the first of such facilities shall be constructed in Sharkey
24 County and the second of such facilities shall be constructed in
25 Jefferson County.

26 (2) The Department of Corrections shall contract with the
27 boards of supervisors of the following counties to house state
28 inmates in regional facilities: (a) Marion and Walthall Counties;
29 (b) Carroll and Montgomery Counties; (c) Stone and Pearl River
30 Counties; (d) Winston and Choctaw Counties; (e) Kemper and Neshoba
31 Counties; (f) Holmes County and any contiguous county in which
32 there is located an unapproved jail; and (g) Bolivar County and
33 any contiguous county in which there is located an unapproved
34 jail. The Department of Corrections may contract with the boards
35 of supervisors of the following counties to house state inmates in
36 regional facilities: (a) Yazoo County * * *, (b) Chickasaw
37 County, * * * (c) George and Greene Counties, (d) Washington
38 County, (e) Hinds County, and (f) Alcorn County. The Department
39 of Corrections shall decide the order of priority of the counties
40 listed in this subsection with which it will contract for the
41 housing of state inmates. For the purposes of this subsection the
42 term "unapproved jail" means any jail that the local grand jury
43 determines should be condemned or has found to be of substandard
44 condition or in need of substantial repair or reconstruction.

45 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
46 and after July 1, 2007, and shall stand repealed from and after
47 June 30, 2007.

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

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 47-5-931, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS TO CONTRACT WITH THE
3 BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS OF WASHINGTON, HINDS AND ALCORN COUNTIES TO
4 HOUSE STATE INMATES IN A REGIONAL FACILITY; AND FOR RELATED
5 PURPOSES.