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To: Public Property

SENATE BILL NO. 2438

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE SECRETARY OF STATE, WITH THE APPROVAL
2 OF THE GOVERNOR, TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS WITH THE UNITED STATES
3 OF AMERICA AND ITS AGENCIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSOLIDATING THEIR
4 RESPECTIVE HOLDINGS INTO CONTIGUOUS TRACTS; AND FOR RELATED
5 PURPOSES.

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

7 **SECTION 1.** (1) To consolidate into contiguous tracts the
8 holdings of the State of Mississippi and the United States of
9 America on the property that is known as "Cat Island" and is
10 situated in the Gulf of Mexico and the Mississippi Sound in
11 Harrison County, Mississippi, the Secretary of State is authorized
12 to negotiate with the United States of America and its agencies,
13 including the National Park Service, for an in-kind exchange of
14 land on Cat Island.

15 (2) The Secretary of State is further authorized to execute,
16 with the approval of the Governor, any agreements, deeds and other
17 documents necessary to complete the property exchange authorized
18 under subsection (1) of this section.



19 (3) Any deeds executed under subsection (1) of this section
20 shall contain conservation covenants consistent with covenants in
21 the deeds by which the State of Mississippi and the United States
22 of America acquired title.

23 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
24 and after its passage.

