

By: Representatives Myers, Denton, Paden,
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To: Rules

HOUSE BILL NO. 1551

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 3-3-16, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 CHANGE THE DESIGN OF THE OFFICIAL FLAG OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
3 TO THE BONNIE BLUE FLAG; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 3-3-16, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
6 amended as follows:

7 3-3-16. The official flag of the State of Mississippi shall
8 have the following design: * * * The width is two-thirds (2/3) of
9 its length; and the field is old glory blue with one (1) large
10 white five-pointed star in the center; this being the Bonnie Blue
11 Flag, which flew over the Republic of West Florida from which the
12 State of Mississippi later emerged, and which was the canton of
13 the Magnolia Flag, the first official flag of the State of
14 Mississippi from 1861 through 1865 that continued in use as a
15 state flag until 1894.

16 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
17 and after July 1, 2016.

