

By: Representative Williams-Barnes

To: Rules

HOUSE BILL NO. 1281

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 THAT OF THE FIRST OFFICIAL FLAG OF MISSISSIPPI KNOWN AS THE
4 "MAGNOLIA FLAG"; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

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

8 3-3-16. The official flag of the State of Mississippi shall
9 have the following design: * * * with width two-thirds (2/3) of
10 its length; with the union (canton) to be square, in width
11 two-thirds (2/3) of the width of the flag; the ground of the union
12 to be old glory blue, and emblazoned with one (1) large white
13 five-pointed star pointed upward; the field to be white, bordered
14 with red on the fly side and centered upon the field to be the
15 design of a large green magnolia tree in full bloom; this being
16 the official flag of the State of Mississippi before the flag
17 adopted by the Mississippi Legislature in the 1894 Special
18 Session, which is known as the "Magnolia Flag".



19 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
20 and after July 1, 2017.

