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To: Constitution

HOUSE BILL NO. 127

1 AN ACT TO CREATE A NEW SECTION TO BE CODIFIED AS SECTION
2 5-1-87, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO LIMIT THE INTRODUCTION OF
3 GENERAL BILLS REQUIRING A MAJORITY VOTE FOR PASSAGE TO REGULAR
4 LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS OCCURRING IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS; AND FOR
5 RELATED PURPOSES.

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

7 **SECTION 1.** The following shall be codified as Section
8 5-1-87, Mississippi Code of 1972:

9 5-1-87. (1) The request for drafting and the introduction
10 and consideration of general bills other than those considered
11 revenue bills under subsection (2) of this section shall be
12 limited to regular legislative sessions occurring in even-numbered
13 years, and a general bill other than a general bill considered a
14 revenue bill under subsection (2) may not be requested, introduced
15 or considered during a regular legislative session occurring in an
16 odd-numbered year.

17 (2) For purposes of this section, a general bill modifying,
18 adding, deleting or repealing language or a repealer on language
19 which provides for the levying of taxes, borrowing of money,



20 issuing bonds, notes or other evidence of debt, providing for fees
21 or imposing the issuance of a license, of whatever kind by the
22 state or any political subdivision of the state, or the exemption
23 of property from state taxes or taxes of any subdivision of the
24 state, is considered a revenue bill, and no revenue bill,
25 conference committee report on a revenue bill, or concurrence in
26 amendments adopted by the other house may be passed or adopted by
27 either the Senate or the House of Representatives except by a vote
28 of at least three-fifths (3/5) of the members of the Senate and
29 House, respectively, present and voting.

30 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
31 and after July 1, 2018.

