To: Insurance

By: Representative Baria

HOUSE BILL NO. 773

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 83-34-35, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
TO INCREASE THE MISSISSIPPI WINDSTORM UNDERWRITING ASSOCIATION
REQUIREMENT FOR THE AMOUNT OF REINSURANCE TO A PROBABLE MAXIMUM
LOSS INSURED FOR A STORM EXPECTED TO OCCUR EVERY TWO HUNDRED FIFTY
YEARS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

- 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 7 **SECTION 1.** Section 83-34-35, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 8 amended as follows:
- 9 83-34-35. In order to avoid or lessen the possibility and
- 10 amount of surcharges authorized by this chapter, the commissioner
- 11 shall approve rates for policies issued by the association at
- 12 least adequate to fund annual reinsurance above a self-insured
- 13 retention of One Hundred Million Dollars (\$100,000,000.00) that,
- 14 combined with any readily available reserves of the association,
- 15 is sufficient to cover at least the probable maximum losses from a
- 16 storm expected to occur once every * * * two hundred fifty (250)
- 17 years as predicted by a model or method approved by the
- 18 commissioner for the properties insured by the association at the
- 19 time the reinsurance was negotiated. * * * The commissioner may

- 20 approve rates in excess of the minimums required by this section
- 21 as consistent with his duties and the insurance laws of the State
- 22 of Mississippi.
- 23 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 24 and after July 1, 2018.