

By: Representative Lamar

To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 954

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 19-25-31, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
2 TO INCREASE, AT THE JUDGE'S DISCRETION, THE AMOUNT COMPENSATED TO  
3 RIDING BAILIFFS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 19-25-31, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
6 amended as follows:

7 19-25-31. Each judge of a circuit, chancery or county court,  
8 or a court of eminent domain may, in the judge's discretion, by  
9 order entered on the minutes of the court, allow the sheriff  
10 riding bailiffs to serve in the respective court of such judge,  
11 not to exceed four (4) bailiffs. Any such person so employed  
12 shall be paid by the county on allowances of the court on issuance  
13 of a warrant therefor in an amount of Fifty-five Dollars (\$55.00)  
14 for each day, or part thereof, for which he or she serves as  
15 bailiff when the court is in session. Any such person so employed  
16 may be paid, at the judge's discretion, by the county on  
17 allowances of the court on issuance of a warrant therefor in an  
18 additional amount of Seventy Dollars (\$70.00) for each day, or



19 part thereof, for which he or she serves as a bailiff when the  
20 court is in session. No full-time deputy sheriff shall be paid as  
21 a riding bailiff of any court. County court judges shall be  
22 limited to one (1) bailiff per each court day.

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

