

By: Representatives Faulkner, Sykes

To: Conservation and Water Resources

HOUSE BILL NO. 1168

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 51-5-3, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO  
2 REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT THAT AN APPLICANT MUST PRESENT THREE  
3 NOTARIZED AFFIDAVITS TO THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE OF THE COMMISSION  
4 ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY TO OBTAIN A WATER WELL CONTRACTOR'S  
5 LICENSE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 51-5-3, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
8 amended as follows:

9 51-5-3. \* \* \* In order to be licensed as a water well  
10 contractor in the State of Mississippi, the applicant must be  
11 qualified as set out below:

12 (a) Be at least twenty-one (21) years of age;

13 (b) Be of good moral character;

14 (c) Demonstrate to the satisfaction of the commission a  
15 reasonable knowledge of this chapter and the rules and regulations  
16 adopted by the commission under the provisions of this chapter;

17 (d) Possess the necessary drilling equipment, or  
18 present to the commission sufficient evidence to show that he has  
19 access to the use of such equipment at any time he needs it; and



20 (e) Have not less than three (3) years' experience in  
21 the work for which he is applying for a license.

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

