MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

REGULAR SESSION 2018

By: Representative Turner

To: Accountability, Efficiency, Transparency

## HOUSE BILL NO. 1325

- AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES TO CHARGE A FEE, OR REQUIRE A FEE TO BE PAID TO A THIRD-PARTY SERVICE PROVIDER, FOR AN ELECTRONIC BID SUBMISSION OR PARTICIPATION IN A REVERSE AUCTION;
- 4 AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 6 **SECTION 1.** (1) Any governing authority accepting electronic
- 7 bid submissions for procurements may charge the bidder a fee, or
- 8 may require a fee to be paid to a third-party service provider,
- 9 for an electronic bid submission.
- 10 (2) Any governing authority using the reverse auction method
- 11 of procurement may charge the winning bidder a fee, or require the
- 12 winning bidder to pay a fee to a third-party service provider, for
- 13 participation in a reverse auction.
- 14 **SECTION 2.** Section 1 of this act shall be codified as a
- 15 separate section within Chapter 7, Title 31, Mississippi Code of
- 16 1972.
- 17 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 18 and after its passage.

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ST: Governing authorities; authorize to charge fee for electronic bid submission or participation in a reverse auction.