

By: Senator(s) Turner-Ford

To: Elections; Constitution

SENATE BILL NO. 2170

1 AN ACT TO RESTORE THE RIGHT TO VOTE UPON COMPLETION OF ANY
2 PRISON TIME SENTENCED FOR A FELONY CONVICTION; AND FOR RELATED
3 PURPOSES.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** (1) This section shall be known as the "Restore
6 the Right to Vote Act."

7 (2) (a) Any disqualification from voting arising from a
8 felony conviction shall terminate and voting rights shall be
9 restored upon completion of time sentenced in prison. No
10 disqualification from voting shall be imposed as a condition of
11 parole, probation, or any outstanding fines or fees.

12 (b) Upon release from prison, a person must be given an
13 official document which provides:

14 (i) That the person has been released from prison;

15 (ii) That the person is restored to the civil
16 right to vote; and

17 (iii) A description of how to register to vote.



18 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
19 and after July 1, 2020.

