

By: Senator(s) Butler, Witherspoon, Simmons To: Agriculture
(13th)

SENATE BILL NO. 2488

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 69-5-1, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 ADD AN ADDITIONAL MEMBER TO THE MISSISSIPPI FAIR ADVISORY COUNCIL;
3 AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 69-5-1, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
6 amended as follows:

7 69-5-1. (1) The Mississippi Fair Commission is hereby
8 abolished, and all of the powers, duties, property, contractual
9 rights and obligations and unexpended funds of that commission
10 shall be transferred to the Department of Agriculture and Commerce
11 on July 1, 2020. Wherever the term "Mississippi Fair Commission"
12 appears in any law or regulation, the same shall mean the
13 Department of Agriculture and Commerce. The transfer of personnel
14 shall be commensurate with the number and classification of
15 positions allocated to the commission.

16 (2) In order to promote agricultural and industrial
17 development in Mississippi and to encourage the farmers to grow
18 better livestock and agricultural products, there is hereby



19 created an advisory council to be hereafter known as the
20 "Mississippi Fair Advisory Council." The department shall receive
21 input and guidance from the advisory council, which shall be
22 composed of the following: The Commissioner of Agriculture and
23 Commerce, chairman, the Director of the Mississippi State
24 University Extension Service, President of the Mississippi
25 Livestock Association, the Director of Mississippi Vocational
26 Education, the Director of the Mississippi Development Authority,
27 the Mayor of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, the Dean and
28 Director of Alcorn State University School of Agriculture and
29 Applied Sciences, and an appointee of the Governor, all to serve
30 without salary compensation.

31 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
32 and after July 1, 2021.

