Adopted COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO

Senate Bill No. 2419

BY: Committee

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7 SECTION 1. Section 41-61-75, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 8 amended as follows:

9 41-61-75. (1) For each investigation with the preparation 10 and submission of the required reports, the following fees shall 11 be billed to and paid by the county for which the service is 12 provided:

(a) A medical examiner or his deputy shall receive One
Hundred Seventy-five Dollars (\$175.00) for each completed report
of investigation of death, plus the examiner's actual expenses.
In addition to that fee, in cases where the cause of death was

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17 sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS) and the medical examiner 18 provides a SIDS Death Scene Investigation report, the medical examiner shall receive for completing that report an additional 19 Fifty Dollars (\$50.00), or an additional One Hundred Dollars 20 21 (\$100.00) if the medical examiner has received advanced training 22 in child death investigations and presents to the county a 23 certificate of completion of that advanced training. The State 24 Medical Examiner shall develop and prescribe a uniform format and 25 list of matters to be contained in SIDS/Child Death Scene 26 Investigation reports, which shall be used by all county medical 27 examiners and county medical examiner investigators in the state.

(b) The pathologist performing autopsies as provided in
Section 41-61-65 shall receive One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)
per completed autopsy, plus mileage expenses to and from the site
of the autopsy, and shall be reimbursed for any out-of-pocket
expenses for third-party testing, not to exceed One Hundred
Dollars (\$100.00) per autopsy.

34 (2) Any medical examiner, physician or pathologist who is
35 subpoenaed for appearance and testimony before a grand jury,
36 courtroom trial or deposition shall be entitled to an expert
37 witness hourly fee to be set by the court and mileage expenses to
38 and from the site of the testimony, and such amount shall be paid
39 by the jurisdiction or party issuing the subpoena.

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(3) This section shall stand repealed on July 1, \star \star 2025.

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41 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from 42 and after July 1, 2021.

Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 41-61-75, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO EXTEND THE DATE OF THE REPEALER ON THE PROVISION THAT PROVIDES FOR THE FEES PAID BY THE COUNTY TO A MEDICAL EXAMINER OR HIS DEPUTY FOR THE FILING OF CERTAIN INVESTIGATION REPORTS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.