To: Judiciary A

By: Representative Reynolds

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 379

1 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT WHEN A PERSON CONVEYS AN INTEREST IN 2 PROPERTY TO TWO INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE MARRIED TO EACH OTHER, AND 3 SUCH PROPERTY IS THE PRIMARY RESIDENCE OF THAT MARRIED COUPLE, THE DEED CONVEYING SUCH INTEREST SHALL CREATE A REBUTTABLE PRESUMPTION 5 THAT THE PROPERTY IS THE PRIMARY RESIDENCE OF THE MARRIED INDIVIDUALS; TO PROVIDE THAT THE PROPERTY INTEREST IS CONSIDERED 7 TO BE JOINT TENANCY WITH A RIGHT OF SURVIVORSHIP, UNLESS THERE ARE SPECIFIC PROVISIONS PROVIDED FOR IN THE DEED TO THE CONTRARY; AND 8 9 FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

- 10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 11 **SECTION 1.** (1) When a person conveys an interest in
- 12 property to two (2) individuals who are married to each other, and
- 13 such property is the primary residence of that married couple, the
- 14 deed conveying such interest shall create a rebuttable presumption
- 15 that the property is the primary residence of the married
- 16 individuals, and the property interest is considered to be joint
- 17 tenancy with a right of survivorship, unless there are specific
- 18 provisions provided for in the deed to the contrary.
- 19 (2) The provisions of this act shall not be applicable to
- 20 any conveyances that occurred before July 1, 2022.

- 21 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 22 and after July 1, 2022.

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