MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE   REGULAR SESSION 2022

By: Representatives Byrd, Reynolds, Evans   To: County Affairs;
(45th), Hale, Steverson, Lancaster, Stamps   Municipalities

HOUSE BILL NO. 1097

1   AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 31-8-3, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ANY COUNTY AND THE GOVERNING
3 AUTHORITIES OF ANY MUNICIPALITY TO ENTER INTO LEASE AGREEMENTS FOR
4 FACILITIES THAT WILL BE UTILIZED AS FIRE STATIONS FOR TERMS THAT
5 ARE NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY YEARS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

7   **SECTION 1.** Section 31-8-3, Mississippi Code of 1972, is

8 amended as follows:

9   31-8-3. The counties and municipalities of this state,

10 acting by and through the governing authorities thereof, are

11 hereby authorized and empowered to enter into lease agreements

12 with any corporation, partnership, limited partnership, joint

13 venture or individual under which the county or municipality may

14 agree to lease a facility for use by the lessor for any of the

15 following purposes for a primary term not to exceed twenty (20)

16 years:

17   (a) Public buildings;

18   (b) Courthouses;

19   (c) Office buildings;

20   (d)   Jails;

21   (e)   Auditoriums;

22   (f)   Community centers;

23   (g)   Civic art centers;

24   (h)   Public libraries;

25   (i)   Gymnasiums; *** * ***

26   (j) Fire stations; and

27   (*** * ***k) Machinery and equipment for use in connection

28 with any of the above, but shall not include office furniture

29 and/or office machines, provided that the primary term of a lease

30 with respect to machinery and equipment shall not exceed the

31 estimated useful economic life of such machinery and equipment, as

32 such useful economic life is mutually agreed upon by the lessor

33 and lessee.

34   Nothing in this section shall be construed to authorize the

35 acquisition of public school buildings through the use of rental

36 contracts.

37   **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from

38 and after July 1, 2022.

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PAGE 2 (OM\JAB)   lease facilities that are to be utilized as fire
                                   stations.