

By: Representative Scott

To: Judiciary B

HOUSE BILL NO. 1736

1 AN ACT TO RESTORE THE RIGHT OF SUFFRAGE TO EDNA BARNETT OF
2 JONES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** The right of suffrage is hereby fully and
5 completely restored to Ms. Edna Barnett of Jones County,
6 Mississippi, who was disqualified as an elector as a result of her
7 conviction for the crime of shoplifting on August 19, 1993, in
8 Jones County, Mississippi, for which she was sentenced to serve
9 three (3) years in the custody of the Mississippi Department of
10 Corrections, with charges to run concurrent with her convictions
11 for cocaine-possession. She was released and discharged on March
12 25, 1996, but charged on July 17, 2002, for cocaine-possession and
13 on September 19, 2006, in Jones County, Mississippi, for the crime
14 of shoplifting which she was sentenced to four (4) years in the
15 custody of the Mississippi Department of Corrections, following
16 one (1) year on probation. She was released to probation on
17 November 16, 2008. On September 29, 2011, she was convicted for
18 shoplifting in Jones County, Mississippi, for which she was



19 sentenced to serve one (1) year, with three (3) years probation.
20 Her probation was extended by two (2) years for absconding
21 supervision.

22 She completed all terms and conditions of all sentences and
23 was discharged on April 15, 2019. The Legislature is informed
24 that she has since conducted herself as a law-abiding and
25 honorable citizen in a good and lawful manner.

26 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
27 and after its passage.

