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By: Senator(s) Whaley

SENATE BILL NO. 3146

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF A COUNTY 2 AND/OR THE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES OF A MUNICIPALITY TO GRANT A 3 PARTIAL AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION FOR NONRESIDENTIAL USE PROPERTY THAT IS BEING CONVERTED TO A RESIDENTIAL USE IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO 5 THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE ASSESSED VALUE OF THE PROPERTY FOR 6 RESIDENTIAL USE AND THE ASSESSED VALUE OF THE PROPERTY FOR 7 NONRESIDENTIAL USE; TO PROVIDE THAT THE EXEMPTION SHALL END WHEN THE PROPERTY IS OCCUPIED BY A HOMEOWNER; TO PROVIDE THE MANNER IN 8 9 WHICH A REQUEST FOR SUCH EXEMPTION MUST BE MADE; AND FOR RELATED 10 PURPOSES. 11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 12 **SECTION 1.** (1) The board of supervisors of a county and/or 13 the governing authorities of a municipality may provide partial ad valorem tax exemptions on land used for nonresidential purposes 14 that is converted to a residential use as provided in this 15 16 section. 17 For nonresidential use property that is converted to residential use, the board of supervisors of a county and the 18 governing authorities of a municipality may exempt the assessed 19 20 value of the property in an amount equal to the difference between 21 the assessed value of the property for residential use and the 22 assessed value of the property for nonresidential use.

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- 23 exemption authorized to be granted under this section shall end at
- 24 such time as the property is occupied by a homeowner; however, if
- 25 the property consists of a number of parcels upon which residences
- 26 are being constructed, the exemption shall continue for each
- 27 parcel until the residence constructed upon the parcel is occupied
- 28 by a homeowner.
- 29 (3) Any request for an exemption under this section shall be
- 30 in writing and contain such information about the property for
- 31 which the exemption is being requested as the board of supervisors
- 32 of the county or the governing authorities of the municipality may
- 33 require. The granting of the exemption shall be recorded in the
- 34 minutes of the board of supervisors of the county and the
- 35 governing authorities of the municipality.
- 36 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 37 and after its passage.