MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

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To: Judiciary A

HOUSE BILL NO. 1101 (As Sent to Governor)

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 79-4-14.21 AND 79-29-823, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO AUTHORIZE THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO SERVE DETERMINATION NOTICES AND CERTIFICATES OF ADMINISTRATIVE DISSOLUTION ON CORPORATIONS AND LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES BY EMAIL TO THE REGISTERED AGENT OF A CORPORATION OR LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY AS INDICATED BY THE ENTITY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 9 SECTION 1. Section 79-4-14.21, Mississippi Code of 1972, is

10 amended as follows:

11 79-4-14.21. (a) If the Secretary of State determines that 12 one or more grounds exist under Section 79-4-14.20 for dissolving 13 a corporation, he shall serve the corporation with written notice 14 of his determination * * *, except that. Such determination may 15 be served <u>either by electronic mail to the email address of the</u> 16 <u>registered agent of the corporation or</u> by first-class mail <u>as</u> 17 indicated by the corporation.

(b) If the corporation does not correct each ground for
dissolution or demonstrate to the reasonable satisfaction of the
Secretary of State that each ground determined by the Secretary of

21 State does not exist within sixty (60) days after service of the 22 notice is perfected, the Secretary of State shall administratively dissolve the corporation by signing a certificate of dissolution 23 that recites the ground or grounds for dissolution and its 24 25 effective date. The Secretary of State shall file the original of 26 the certificate and serve a copy on the corporation, * * * except that such which certificate may be served either by electronic 27 28 mail to the email address of the registered agent of the 29 corporation or by first-class mail as indicated by the 30 corporation.

31 (c) A corporation that has been administratively dissolved 32 continues its corporate existence but may not carry on any 33 business except as necessary to wind up and liquidate its business 34 and affairs under Section 79-4-14.05 and notify claimants under 35 Sections 79-4-14.06 and 79-4-14.07.

36 (d) The administrative dissolution of a corporation does not37 terminate the authority of its registered agent.

(e) The administrative dissolution of a corporation shall not impair the validity of any contract, deed, mortgage, security interest, lien, or act of the corporation or prevent the corporation from defending any action, suit or proceeding in any court of this state.

(f) A corporation that has been administratively dissolved may not maintain any action, suit or proceeding in any court of this state until the corporation is reinstated.

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79-29-823. (1) If the Secretary of State determines that 48 one or more grounds exist under Section 79-29-821 for 49 50 administratively dissolving a limited liability company, the 51 Secretary of State shall serve the limited liability company with 52 written notice of the determination under Section 79-35-13 * * \star_{τ} 53 except that. Such determination may be served either by 54 electronic mail to the email address of the registered agent of 55 the limited liability company or by first-class mail as indicated 56 by the limited liability company.

57 (2)If the limited liability company does not correct each 58 ground for dissolution or demonstrate to the reasonable 59 satisfaction of the Secretary of State that each ground determined by the Secretary of State does not exist within sixty (60) days 60 61 after the service of the notice, the Secretary of State shall 62 administratively dissolve the limited liability company by signing a certification of the administrative dissolution that recites the 63 64 ground or grounds for dissolution and its effective date. The 65 Secretary of State shall file the original of the certificate of 66 administrative dissolution and serve the limited liability company with a copy of the certificate of administrative dissolution under 67 Section 79-35-13, * * * except that such which certificate of 68 69 administrative dissolution may be served either by electronic mail to the email address of the registered agent of the limited 70

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72 limited liability company.

73 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from

74 and after July 1, 2023.

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determination notices and certificates of
administrative dissolution to be served by email