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To: Judiciary B

HOUSE BILL NO. 24

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 9-1-59, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO  
2 REQUIRE JUSTICE AND MUNICIPAL COURTS TO FILE ALL LEGAL DOCUMENTS  
3 BY ELECTRONIC MEANS IN CONFORMITY WITH THE MISSISSIPPI ELECTRONIC  
4 COURT SYSTEM; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 9-1-59, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
7 amended as follows:

8 9-1-59. (1) Each circuit, chancery and county court in this  
9 state shall require all pleadings and other papers to be served,  
10 filed, signed or verified by electronic means in conformity with  
11 the Mississippi Electronic Court System procedures by July 1,  
12 2021.

13 (2) Each justice and municipal court in this state shall  
14 require all pleadings and other papers to be served, filed, signed  
15 or verified by electronic means in conformity with the Mississippi  
16 Electronic Court System procedures by July 1, 2024.

17 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
18 and after July 1, 2023.

