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To: Judiciary B

HOUSE BILL NO. 266  
 (As Sent to Governor)

1 AN ACT TO NAME THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
 2 HEADQUARTERS' OFFICE, LOCATED IN PEARL, RANKIN COUNTY,  
 3 MISSISSIPPI, THE "DAVID R. HUGGINS HEADQUARTERS OF THE MISSISSIPPI  
 4 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY"; TO NAME THE MISSISSIPPI STATE CRIME  
 5 LABORATORY IN PEARL, RANKIN COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, THE "TOM  
 6 WEATHERSBY STATE CRIME LABORATORY"; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF  
 7 FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF  
 8 PUBLIC SAFETY TO ERECT THE PROPER LETTERING OR SIGNAGE ON THE  
 9 OUTDOOR FACADE OF THE BUILDINGS DISPLAYING THE OFFICIAL NAMES AS  
 10 THE "DAVID R. HUGGINS HEADQUARTERS OF THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT  
 11 OF PUBLIC SAFETY" AND THE "TOM WEATHERSBY STATE CRIME LABORATORY";  
 12 AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

14 **SECTION 1.** The Mississippi Department of Public Safety  
 15 Headquarters' Office, to be constructed and located in Pearl,  
 16 Rankin County, Mississippi, shall be named the "David R. Huggins  
 17 Headquarters of the Mississippi Department of Public Safety." The  
 18 Department of Finance and Administration shall prepare or have



19 prepared a distinctive plaque, to be approved by the Mississippi  
20 Department of Public Safety, to be placed in a prominent place  
21 within the building, that states the background, accomplishments  
22 and service to the state by Commissioner David R. Huggins. The  
23 Department of Finance and Administration, in conjunction with the  
24 Mississippi Department of Public Safety, shall erect or cause to  
25 be erected proper lettering or signage on the outdoor facade of  
26 the building displaying the official name of the building as the  
27 "David R. Huggins Headquarters of the Mississippi Department of  
28 Public Safety." Any and all funds necessary to accomplish this  
29 act will be appropriated by the Legislature for such purpose.

30 **SECTION 2.** The Mississippi State Crime Laboratory of the  
31 Mississippi Department of Public Safety located in Pearl, Rankin  
32 County, Mississippi, shall be named the "Tom Weathersby State  
33 Crime Laboratory." The Department of Finance and Administration  
34 shall prepare or have prepared a distinctive plaque, to be  
35 approved by the Mississippi Department of Public Safety and the  
36 Mississippi House of Representatives, to be placed in a prominent  
37 place within the building, that states the background,  
38 accomplishments and service to the state by the Honorable Tom  
39 Weathersby. The Department of Finance and Administration, in  
40 conjunction with the Mississippi Department of Public Safety,  
41 shall erect or cause to be erected proper lettering or signage on  
42 the outdoor facade of the building displaying the official name of  
43 the building as the "Tom Weathersby State Crime Laboratory." Any



44 and all funds necessary to accomplish this act will be  
45 appropriated by the Legislature for such purpose.

46       **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
47 and after July 1, 2023.

