To: Judiciary A

By: Representative Haney

HOUSE BILL NO. 308

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 11-1-1, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO ADD CHIEFS OF POLICE AND SHERIFFS TO THE LIST OF OFFICERS AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

- BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 5 **SECTION 1.** Section 11-1-1, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 6 amended as follows:
- 7 11-1-1. A judge of any court of record, clerk of such court,
- 8 court reporter of such court, master, member of the board of
- 9 supervisors, justice court judge, notary public, mayor * * * or
- 10 police justice of a city, town or village, chief of police,
- 11 sheriff, clerk of a municipality, and any officer of any other
- 12 state, or of the United States, authorized by the law thereof to
- 13 administer oaths, the judge of any court of record, or the mayor
- 14 or chief magistrate of any city, borough or corporation of a
- 15 foreign country * * * may administer oaths and take and certify
- 16 affidavits whenever the same may be necessary or proper in a
- 17 proceeding in any court or under any law of this state, or for the
- 18 purpose of taking depositions of any party of interest, or

- 19 witnesses of any suit pending before any such court, or for the
- 20 perpetuation of testimony, as provided in Section 13-1-57 * * *.
- 21 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 22 and after July 1, 2023.