To: Appropriations

By: Representative Owen

HOUSE BILL NO. 428

1 AN ACT TO CREATE THE LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPPLEMENTAL PAY PROGRAM TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY; TO PROVIDE THAT IN ADDITION TO THE COMPENSATION NOW PAID BY ANY MUNICIPALITY OR COUNTY TO ANY SWORN, CERTIFIED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, EVERY 5 SWORN, CERTIFIED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER EMPLOYED BY ANY 6 MUNICIPALITY OR COUNTY WHICH EMPLOYS ONE OR MORE SWORN, CERTIFIED 7 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WHO DEVOTES HIS OR HER FULL WORKING TIME TO LAW ENFORCEMENT, SHALL BE PAID BY THE STATE EXTRA COMPENSATION 8 9 IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS PER YEAR FOR EACH FULL-TIME 10 MUNICIPAL OR COUNTY SWORN, CERTIFIED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER WHO 11 HAS COMPLETED OR WHO HEREAFTER COMPLETES FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE AS 12 A SWORN, CERTIFIED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER; AND FOR RELATED 13 PURPOSES.

- BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 15 **SECTION 1.** (1) There is created a Law Enforcement
- 16 Supplemental Pay Program to be administered by the Mississippi
- 17 Department of Public Safety to provide supplemental pay to local
- 18 law enforcement officers.
- 19 (2) In addition to the compensation now paid by any
- 20 municipality or county to any sworn, certified law enforcement
- 21 officer, every sworn, certified law enforcement officer employed
- 22 by any municipality or county which employs one or more sworn,
- 23 certified law enforcement officers who devotes his or her full

- 24 working time to law enforcement, shall be paid by the state extra
- 25 compensation in the amount of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) per
- 26 year for each full-time municipal or county sworn, certified law
- 27 enforcement officer who has completed or who hereafter completes
- 28 five (5) years of service as a sworn, certified law enforcement
- 29 officer.
- 30 (3) The five (5) years of service required under this
- 31 section shall include any service as a sworn, certified law
- 32 enforcement officer in the State of Mississippi.
- 33 (4) The supplemental pay provided by the state under this
- 34 section shall be supplemental to any other pay the law enforcement
- 35 officer has or would receive, and such supplemental pay may not be
- 36 used to reduce or in any way diminish the pay for that law
- 37 enforcement officer from any other funding sources.
- 38 (5) The Department of Public Safety shall adopt any rules or
- 39 regulations necessary to administer this section.
- 40 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 41 and after July 1, 2023.