

By: Representative Newman

To: Judiciary B

HOUSE BILL NO. 453

1 AN ACT TO REPEAL SECTIONS 99-19-20 and 99-19-20.1,
2 MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, WHICH PROVIDE OPTIONS, INCLUDING
3 PROHIBITION OF INCARCERATION, FOR NONPAYMENT OF FEES AND FINES;
4 AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 99-19-20, Mississippi Code of 1972, which
7 provides options in lieu of payment or imprisonment for fines, is
8 repealed.

9 **SECTION 2.** Section 99-19-20.1, Mississippi Code of 1972,
10 which prohibits incarceration from automatically following
11 nonpayment of fines, is repealed.

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

