

By: Representatives Brown (20th), Williamson To: Judiciary A

HOUSE BILL NO. 479

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A PRESIDING JUDGE OF A CIVIL COURT
2 PROCEEDING TO ASSESS ALL COSTS OF ANY DISMISSED CASE AGAINST THE
3 PARTY WHOSE CASE WAS DISMISSED, UNLESS THE STATUTE OR RULES
4 REGULATING THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THE CASE PROHIBITS SUCH
5 ASSESSMENT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

7 **SECTION 1.** Any presiding judge of a civil court proceeding
8 is authorized, in his or her discretion, to assess all costs of
9 any dismissed case against the party whose case was dismissed,
10 unless the statute or rules regulating the subject matter of the
11 case prohibits such.

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

