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## HOUSE BILL NO. 1101

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 79-4-14.21 AND 79-29-823, 1 2 MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO AUTHORIZE THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO 3 SERVE DETERMINATION NOTICES AND CERTIFICATES OF ADMINISTRATIVE DISSOLUTION ON CORPORATIONS AND LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES BY 5 EMAIL TO THE REGISTERED AGENT OF A CORPORATION OR LIMITED

- LIABILITY COMPANY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.
- 7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 8 SECTION 1. Section 79-4-14.21, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- amended as follows: 9
- 10 79-4-14.21. (a) If the Secretary of State determines that
- one or more grounds exist under Section 79-4-14.20 for dissolving 11
- a corporation, he shall serve the corporation with written notice 12
- 13 of his determination \* \* \*. Such determination may be served
- by \* \* \* electronic mail to the email address of the registered 14
- 15 agent of the corporation.
- 16 (b) If the corporation does not correct each ground for
- dissolution or demonstrate to the reasonable satisfaction of the 17
- 18 Secretary of State that each ground determined by the Secretary of
- 19 State does not exist within sixty (60) days after service of the

notice is perfected, the Secretary of State shall administratively 20

- 21 dissolve the corporation by signing a certificate of dissolution
- 22 that recites the ground or grounds for dissolution and its
- 23 effective date. The Secretary of State shall file the original of
- 24 the certificate and serve a copy on the corporation, \* \* \* which
- 25 certificate may be served by \* \* \* electronic mail to the email
- 26 address of the registered agent of the corporation.
- 27 (c) A corporation that has been administratively dissolved
- 28 continues its corporate existence but may not carry on any
- 29 business except as necessary to wind up and liquidate its business
- 30 and affairs under Section 79-4-14.05 and notify claimants under
- 31 Sections 79-4-14.06 and 79-4-14.07.
- 32 (d) The administrative dissolution of a corporation does not
- 33 terminate the authority of its registered agent.
- 34 (e) The administrative dissolution of a corporation shall
- 35 not impair the validity of any contract, deed, mortgage, security
- 36 interest, lien, or act of the corporation or prevent the
- 37 corporation from defending any action, suit or proceeding in any
- 38 court of this state.
- 39 (f) A corporation that has been administratively dissolved
- 40 may not maintain any action, suit or proceeding in any court of
- 41 this state until the corporation is reinstated.
- 42 **SECTION 2.** Section 79-29-823, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 43 amended as follows:
- 79-29-823. (1) If the Secretary of State determines that
- 45 one or more grounds exist under Section 79-29-821 for

- 46 administratively dissolving a limited liability company, the 47 Secretary of State shall serve the limited liability company with written notice of the determination under Section 79-35-13 \* \* \*. 48 Such determination may be served by \* \* \* electronic mail to the 49 50 email address of the registered agent of the limited liability 51 company. If the limited liability company does not correct each 52 (2) 53 ground for dissolution or demonstrate to the reasonable 54 satisfaction of the Secretary of State that each ground determined by the Secretary of State does not exist within sixty (60) days 55 after the service of the notice, the Secretary of State shall 56 administratively dissolve the limited liability company by signing 57 58 a certification of the administrative dissolution that recites the ground or grounds for dissolution and its effective date. 59 60 Secretary of State shall file the original of the certificate of 61 administrative dissolution and serve the limited liability company 62 with a copy of the certificate of administrative dissolution under Section 79-35-13,  $\star$   $\star$  which certificate of administrative
- 66 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from 67 and after July 1, 2023.

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address of the registered agent of the limited liability company.

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