By: Senator(s) McCaughn

To: Judiciary, Division B

SENATE BILL NO. 2120

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 45-9-131, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, 2 TO AUTHORIZE A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER WHO IS EMPLOYED BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO PURCHASE HIS OR HER ISSUED SIDEARM AS PERSONAL PROPERTY UPON THE OFFICER'S RETIREMENT; TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE 5 OF THE SIDEARM BY THE SPOUSE OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER WHO IS 6 KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY; TO REQUIRE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO 7 DETERMINE THE PRICE OF THE FIREARM; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: **SECTION 1.** Section 45-9-131, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 9 10 amended as follows:

11 45-9-131. (1) Upon approval of the governing authority of the municipality or county, a member of any municipal or county

13 law enforcement agency who retires under any state retirement

14 system or the spouse of a law enforcement officer who is killed in

15 the line of duty may be allowed to purchase as his or her personal

16 property one (1) sidearm which was issued to the law enforcement

17 officer by the law enforcement agency from which he or she retired

18 or by whom he or she was employed at the time of death. The

19 governing authority of the municipality or county shall determine

20 the amount to be paid for the firearm by the retiring member of

21	the	law	enforcement	agency	or	the	spouse	of	the	law	enforcement
22	officer.										

- Upon approval of the attorney general, a law enforcement 23 24 officer employed by the attorney general who retires under any 25 state retirement system or the spouse of a law enforcement officer 26 employed by the attorney general who is killed in the line of duty 27 may be allowed to purchase as his or her personal property one (1) 28 sidearm which was issued to the law enforcement officer by the 29 attorney general. The attorney general shall determine the amount 30 to be paid for the firearm by the retiring law enforcement officer 31 or the spouse of the law enforcement officer.
- 32 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from 33 and after July 1, 2023.