MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

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To: Judiciary, Division B

SENATE BILL NO. 2343 (As Sent to Governor)

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 45-1-19, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE THE JURISDICTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY IN THE CAPITOL COMPLEX IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT; TO PROVIDE THAT THE JURISDICTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY IN THE CITY OF JACKSON SHALL NOT BE PRIMARY AND SHALL BE CONCURRENT WITH THE JURISDICTION OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, AND THAT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
SECTION 1. Section 45-1-19, Mississippi Code of 1972, is

10 amended as follows:

11 45-1-19. (1) The Department of Public Safety, through the Office of Capitol Police, shall have jurisdiction relative to the 12 13 enforcement of all laws of the State of Mississippi on the properties, from curb to curb, including adjoining streets, 14 sidewalks and leased parking lots within the Capitol Complex, set 15 16 forth in Section 29-5-2, the Governor's mansion, the * * * Supreme 17 Court Building, the Mississippi Department of Transportation 18 Building and the Public Employees' Retirement System Building, and any property purchased, constructed or otherwise acquired by the 19 State of Mississippi for conducting state business and not 20

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21 specifically under the supervision and care by any other state 22 entity, but which is reasonably assumed the Department of Public 23 Safety would be responsible for such. The Department of Public 24 Safety shall, through any person or persons appointed by the 25 commissioner, make arrests for any violation of any law of the 26 State of Mississippi on the grounds of or within those properties. 27 The Department of Public Safety shall, in addition, enforce the 28 provisions of this section and Sections 29-5-57 through 29-5-67, 29 29-5-73 through 29-5-75, and 29-5-81 through 29-5-95, and 30 prescribe such rules and regulations as are necessary therefor. The powers and duties related to the administration of Sections 31 29-5-57 through 29-5-67, 29-5-73 through 29-5-75, and 29-5-81 32 33 through 29-5-95 shall remain with the Department of Finance and 34 Administration.

35 Subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees of (2)36 State Institutions of Higher Learning, the Board of Trustees and 37 the Department of Public Safety shall be authorized to enter into a contract for the Department of Public Safety to supply the 38 39 security personnel with jurisdiction to enforce all laws of the 40 State of Mississippi on the property of the Board of Trustees 41 located at the corner of Ridgewood Road and Lakeland Drive in the 42 City of Jackson.

43 (3) The Department of Public Safety and the Department of
44 Agriculture are authorized to enter into a contract for the
45 Department of Public Safety to have jurisdiction and enforce all

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54 The Department of Public Safety and the * * * Department (4) 55 of Agriculture are authorized to enter into a contract for the 56 Department of Public Safety to have jurisdiction and enforce all 57 laws of the State of Mississippi on the property of the * * * 58 Department of Agriculture known as the "Mississippi State 59 Fairgrounds Complex" and any and all of its outlying buildings and property. The Department of Public Safety and the * * * 60 61 Department of Agriculture are authorized to enter into a contract 62 for the Department of Public Safety to supply the security personnel to the * * * Department of Agriculture with jurisdiction 63 64 to enforce all laws of the State of Mississippi on this property 65 and any and all buildings on this property. The Department of 66 Public Safety is authorized to charge the Department of Agriculture a fee for security services provided for special 67 68 events at the Mississippi State Fairgrounds Complex. The fee 69 charged will be commensurate with the cost associated with the 70 Department of Public Safety providing those services.

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(5) The Department of Public Safety and the Department of Revenue are authorized to enter into a contract for the Department of Public Safety to supply the security personnel with jurisdiction to enforce all laws of the State of Mississippi at the Alcoholic Beverage Control facility and the Department of Revenue main office.

77 The Department of Public Safety shall have primary (6) (a) 78 jurisdiction relative * * * to any other state or municipal law 79 enforcement agency to enforce all laws of the State of Mississippi within the boundaries of the Capitol Complex Improvement District 80 created in Section 29-5-203; such enforcement shall be its primary 81 function. The Department of Public Safety * * * may, through any 82 83 person or persons appointed by the Department of Public Safety, make arrests for any violation of any law of the State of 84 85 Mississippi and violations of the City of Jackson's traffic 86 ordinances or ordinances related to the disturbance of the public 87 peace which occurs within the boundaries of the district and 88 within the boundaries of the City of Jackson. The Department of 89 Public Safety may choose to present cases to either the District 90 Attorney or the prosecuting attorneys designated by the Attorney 91 General for prosecution of any violation of law that accrues or 92 occurs, in whole or in part, within the boundaries established by Section 29-5-203. The jurisdiction of the Department of Public 93 94 Safety granted under this subsection (6) shall be concurrent with the jurisdiction of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, and that of 95

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96 Hinds County, Mississippi within the boundaries of the Capitol 97 Complex Improvement District created in Section 29-5-203. At any time and/or during any event necessitating the coordination of 98 99 and/or utilization at multiple jurisdictions, as determined by the Chief of Capitol Police or the Commissioner of the Department of 100 101 Public Safety shall be the lead agency when the event occurs on property as defined herein that is owned or leased by the state as 102 provided in subsection (1) of this section. The jurisdiction and 103 104 authority of the Department of Public Safety under this subsection 105 (6) shall be in addition to any other jurisdiction and authority 106 provided to the department under this section or any other law. 107 (b) The Department of Public Safety shall have 108 jurisdiction relative to the enforcement of all laws of the State 109 of Mississippi within the boundaries of the City of Jackson, 110 Mississippi. The Department of Public Safety may, through any 111 person or persons appointed by the Department of Public Safety, 112 make arrests for any violation of any law of the State of Mississippi which occurs within the boundaries of the City of 113 114 Jackson. The jurisdiction of the Department of Public Safety 115 granted under this paragraph (b) shall not be primary and shall be 116 concurrent with the jurisdiction of the City of Jackson, 117 Mississippi, and that of Hinds County, Mississippi. 118 (c) Written approval from the Chief of the Capitol 119 Police or the Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety 120 shall be required before any event occurs which will take place on

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121 any street or sidewalk immediately adjacent to any building or 122 property owned or occupied by any official, agency, board, 123 commission, office or other entity of the State of Mississippi, or 124 which can reasonably be expected to block, impede or otherwise 125 hinder ingress thereto and/or egress therefrom. The Department of 126 Public Safety shall promulgate rules and regulations to effectuate 127 the provisions of this paragraph (c). 128 (d) The Chief of the Capitol Police and/or the 129 Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety, the Chief of the 130 Jackson Police Department, and the Sheriff of Hinds County shall hold a regular meeting within the boundaries of the Capitol 131 132 Complex Improvement District to address the concerns of the 133 public. Each meeting shall be called by the Chief of the Capitol 134 Police; and the first meeting shall be called by October 15, 2023. 135 (7) The Department of Public Safety is authorized to enter 136 into a contract with any county for the county to take custody of 137 the misdemeanor offenders arrested under the authority granted under this section. 138

(8) All accrued personal leave earned pursuant to Section 25-3-93, accrued major medical leave earned pursuant to Section 25-3-95, accrued state compensatory leave earned pursuant to Section 25-3-92, and compensatory leave earned pursuant to the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) shall transfer from the Department of Finance and Administration to the Department of Public Safety for all employees transferred under this section.

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146 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from 147 and after July 1, 2023.

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