

**Adopted
AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO**

Cmte Sub for Senate Bill No. 2351

BY: Senator(s) Sparks

**Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting
in lieu thereof the following:**

8 **SECTION 1.** The following shall be codified in Title 23,
9 Chapter 15, Mississippi Code of 1972:

10 (1) The Attorney General is authorized to investigate
11 alleged election fraud in the counties of this state upon a
12 verified complaint of a candidate whose name appears on the ballot
13 of the election in question, or from an election official or
14 circuit clerk of a county where the election in question took
15 place. The conduction of an investigation shall not create
16 excessive interference with the general duties and
17 responsibilities of the Attorney General.



18 (2) Upon request by the Attorney General, the Secretary of
19 State shall assist in any investigation of a complaint pursuant to
20 subsection (1).

21 (3) The Attorney General shall not investigate a complaint
22 under this section at any precinct where an election occurred and
23 that election is being challenged pursuant to Sections 23-15-927,
24 23-15-951 or 23-15-955.

25 (4) The Attorney General shall provide reasoning in writing
26 if their office determines that an investigation is not warranted,
27 and said document shall be provided to the complainant, circuit
28 clerk of the county in the complaint and the Secretary of State's
29 office. The Attorney General shall give a written report at the
30 completion of the investigation to the complainant, circuit clerk
31 of the county in the complaint and the Secretary of State's office
32 if criminal action is not pursued. If the Attorney General
33 alleges that a criminal act has occurred, he or she shall turn
34 their findings over to the district attorney of the district where
35 the alleged criminal acts occurred, or prosecute through his or
36 her authority pursuant to Section 7-5-1.

37 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
38 and after July 1, 2023, and shall stand repealed on June 30, 2023.

**Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and
inserting in lieu thereof the following:**

1 AN ACT TO CREATE A NEW SECTION TO BE ADDED TO TITLE 23,
2 CHAPTER 15, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO ALLOW THE ATTORNEY



3 GENERAL'S OFFICE TO INVESTIGATE COMPLAINTS OF ELECTION FRAUD; TO
4 PROVIDE PROCEDURES FOR WHICH THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHOULD FOLLOW TO
5 SHARE THE FINDINGS OF AN ELECTION FRAUD INVESTIGATION; AND FOR
6 RELATED PURPOSES.

