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To: Judiciary B

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 634

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 45-9-131, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO AUTHORIZE THE GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY OF CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT
3 OFFICERS TO DETERMINE THE AMOUNT TO BE PAID FOR A SIDEARM OF
4 RETIRED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 45-9-131, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
7 amended as follows:

8 45-9-131. (1) Upon approval of the governing authority of
9 the municipality or county, a member of any municipal or county
10 law enforcement agency who retires under any state retirement
11 system or leaves such employment after being employed for ten (10)
12 continuous years of service may be allowed to purchase, as his or
13 her personal property, one (1) sidearm which was issued to the law
14 enforcement officer by the law enforcement agency from which he or
15 she retired or by whom he or she was employed at the time of
16 death. The governing authority of the municipality or county that
17 employed the member of the law enforcement agency shall determine
18 an amount of no more than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) to be paid for
19 the sidearm.



20 (2) Upon approval of the director of a state agency, board
21 or commission, a law enforcement officer employed by a state
22 agency, board or commission who retires under any state retirement
23 system may be allowed to purchase, as his or her personal
24 property, one (1) sidearm which was issued to the law enforcement
25 officer by a state agency, board or commission. The state agency,
26 board or commission that employed the law enforcement officer
27 shall determine an amount of no more than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00)
28 to be paid for the sidearm.

29 (3) The next of kin of a law enforcement officer who is
30 killed in the line of duty is authorized to purchase the sidearm
31 that was issued to the officer. The amount to be paid for
32 any * * * sidearm purchased under the authority of this subsection
33 shall be an agreed upon price of no more than Fifty Dollars
34 (\$50.00) as determined by the appropriate governmental authority
35 who employed the officer.

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37 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
38 and after its passage.

