

By: Representative Shanks

To: State Affairs

HOUSE BILL NO. 773

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 25-3-31, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 EXTEND THE DATE OF THE REPEALER ON THE AUTHORITY TO EXCEED THE
3 STATUTORY SALARY CAP FOR CERTAIN PROFESSIONALS EMPLOYED BY AN
4 ELECTED STATE OR DISTRICT OFFICER; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 25-3-31, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
7 amended as follows:

8 25-3-31. (1) The annual salaries of the following elected
9 state and district officers are fixed as follows:

10	Governor.....	\$ 160,000.00
11	Attorney General.....	150,000.00
12	Secretary of State.....	120,000.00
13	Commissioner of Insurance.....	150,000.00
14	State Treasurer.....	120,000.00
15	State Auditor of Public Accounts.....	150,000.00
16	Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce.....	120,000.00
17	Transportation Commissioners.....	95,000.00
18	Public Service Commissioners.....	95,000.00



19 (2) To assist the elected state and district officers in
20 subsection (1) of this section in efficiently performing the
21 official duties imposed upon him or her by law, the officer may
22 employ suitable and competent persons who possess the professional
23 skill and expert knowledge needed to fulfill those duties. The
24 State Personnel Board, based upon its findings of fact, shall
25 exempt those persons from the provisions of Section 25-3-39 when
26 the acquisition of such professional services is precluded based
27 upon the prevailing wage in the relevant labor market. This
28 subsection (2) shall stand repealed on July 1, * * * 2027.

29 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
30 and after July 1, 2024.

