Senate Amendments to House Bill No. 1315

TO THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE:

THIS IS TO INFORM YOU THAT THE SENATE HAS ADOPTED THE AMENDMENTS SET OUT BELOW:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

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

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 9-21-9, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 7 amended as follows:

8 9-21-9. (1) The Administrative Director of Courts shall 9 have the following duties and authority with respect to all courts 10 in addition to any other duties and responsibilities as may be 11 properly assigned by the Supreme Court and/or by law:

12 (a) To require the filing of reports, the collection 13 and compilation of statistical data and other information on the 14 judicial and financial operation of the courts and on the 15 operation of other offices directly related to and serving the 16 courts;

(b) To determine the state of the dockets and evaluate the practices and procedures of the courts and make recommendations concerning the number of judges and other personnel required for the efficient administration of justice;

H. B. 1315 PAGE 1 (c) To prescribe uniform administrative and business methods, systems, forms and records to be used in the offices of the clerks of courts;

24 To devise, promulgate and require the use of a (d) 25 uniform youth court case tracking system, including a youth court 26 case filing form for filing with each individual youth court 27 matter, to be utilized by the Administrative Office of Courts and 28 the youth courts in order that the number of youthful offenders, 29 abused, neglected, truant and dependent children, as well as 30 children in need of special care and children in need of 31 supervision, may be tracked with specificity through the youth court and adult justice systems; in support of the uniform case 32 33 docketing system, the director shall require that all youth courts utilize the Mississippi Youth Court Information Delivery System 34 35 (MYCIDS);

(e) To develop, promulgate and require the use of a
statewide docket numbering system to be utilized by the youth
courts, which youth court docket numbers shall standardize and
unify the numbering system by which youth court docket numbers are
assigned, such that each docket number would, among other things,
identify the county and year in which a particular youth court
action was commenced;

43 (f) To develop, promulgate and require the use of
44 uniform youth court orders and forms in all youth courts and youth
45 court proceedings;

H. B. 1315 PAGE 2 (g) To prepare and submit budget recommendations for
state appropriations necessary for the maintenance and operation
of the judicial system and to authorize expenditures from funds
appropriated for these purposes as permitted or authorized by law;

50 (h) To develop and implement personnel policies for 51 nonjudicial personnel employed by the courts;

52 (i) To investigate, make recommendations concerning and 53 assist in the securing of adequate physical accommodations for the 54 judicial system;

(j) To procure, distribute, exchange, transfer and assign such equipment, books, forms and supplies as are acquired with state funds or grant funds or otherwise for the judicial system;

(k) To make recommendations for the improvement of theoperations of the judicial system;

61 (1) To prepare and submit an annual report on the work
62 of the judicial system to the Supreme Court;

(m) To take necessary steps in the collection of unpaid
court costs, fines and forfeitures;

(n) To perform such additional administrative duties
relating to the improvement of the administration of justice as
may be assigned by the Supreme Court; * * *

(o) To promulgate standards, rules and regulations for
computer and/or electronic filing and storage of all court records
and court-related records maintained throughout the state in
courts and in offices of circuit and chancery clerks * * * ; and
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72 (p) To utilize the provisions of law that regulate 73 public purchasing in Sections 31-7-1 et. seq., to contract with a 74 provider to effectuate the requirements of paragraph (d) for the 75 Mississippi Youth Court Information Delivery System (MYCIDS). 76 (2) The Administrative Director of Courts shall conduct an 77 audit of the Mississippi Youth Court Information Delivery System (MYCIDS) by November 15, 2024, to make recommendations regarding 78 79 any complaints, deficiencies and/or improvements, and provide a 80 report of the audit to the Judiciary A Committees of the 81 Mississippi House of Representatives and the Senate by January 1, 82 2025. SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from 83 84 and after July 1, 2024, and shall stand repealed on June 30, 2024. Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and

inserting in lieu thereof the following:

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 9-21-9, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO 2 REQUIRE THE ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR OF COURTS TO AUDIT THE 3 MISSISSIPPI YOUTH COURT INFORMATION SYSTEM (MYCIDS); AND FOR 4 RELATED PURPOSES.

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