Pending COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO

House Bill No. 1074

BY: Committee

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

- 6 **SECTION 1.** Section 97-7-75, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 7 amended as follows:
- 8 97-7-75. (1) This section shall be known and may be cited
- 9 as the "Mississippi Terroristic Threats Law."
- 10 (2) (a) A person commits the offense of making a
- 11 terroristic threat when the person makes a threat to commit a
- 12 crime of violence or a threat to cause bodily injury to another
- 13 person if the threat does in fact cause a reasonable expectation
- 14 or reasonable fear of the imminent commission of an offense and
- 15 if, in making the threat, the person has the intent to:



- 16 (i) Intimidate or coerce a civilian population or
- 17 segment of a civilian population; or
- 18 (ii) Influence or affect, by intimidation or
- 19 coercion, the policy or conduct of a unit of government,
- 20 educational institution, business or segment of the civilian
- 21 population.
- 22 (b) It is not a defense to a prosecution under this
- 23 section that, at the time the defendant made the terroristic
- 24 threat, the defendant did not have the intent or capability to
- 25 actually commit the specified offense, nor is it a defense that
- 26 the threat was not made to a person who was a subject or intended
- 27 victim of the threatened act.
- 28 (3) (a) A person convicted of the offense of making a
- 29 terroristic threat is quilty of a felony punishable by
- 30 imprisonment in the custody of the Mississippi Department of
- 31 Corrections for not more than ten (10) years.
- 32 (b) A person convicted of the offense of making a
- 33 terroristic threat where the threat is made against an airport as
- 34 defined by Section 61-1-3 shall be punished by imprisonment for a
- 35 term of not less than five (5) years in the custody of the
- 36 Mississippi Department of Corrections in addition to the term of
- 37 imprisonment imposed under paragraph (a) of this subsection.
- 38 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 39 and after July 1, 2024.



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

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 97-7-75, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO

2 PROVIDE AN ENHANCED SENTENCE OF IMPRISONMENT FOR A PERSON WHO

3 MAKES A TERRORISTIC THREAT AGAINST AN AIRPORT; AND FOR RELATED

4 PURPOSES.

