Adopted COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO

House Bill No. 1315

BY: Committee

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 <u>and/or by law</u>:

(a) To require the filing of reports, the collection
and compilation of statistical data and other information on the
judicial and financial operation of the courts and on the

15 operation of other offices directly related to and serving the 16 courts;

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

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

24 (d) To devise, promulgate and require the use of a 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, abused, neglected, truant and dependent children, as well as 29 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 34 utilize the Mississippi Youth Court Information Delivery System 35 (MYCIDS);

36 (e) To develop, promulgate and require the use of a
37 statewide docket numbering system to be utilized by the youth
38 courts, which youth court docket numbers shall standardize and
39 unify the numbering system by which youth court docket numbers are

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40 assigned, such that each docket number would, among other things, 41 identify the county and year in which a particular youth court 42 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;

46 To prepare and submit budget recommendations for (a) 47 state appropriations necessary for the maintenance and operation 48 of the judicial system and to authorize expenditures from funds 49 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 To investigate, make recommendations concerning and (i) 53 assist in the securing of adequate physical accommodations for the 54 judicial system;

55 (ij) To procure, distribute, exchange, transfer and 56 assign such equipment, books, forms and supplies as are acquired 57 with state funds or grant funds or otherwise for the judicial 58 system;

59 To make recommendations for the improvement of the (k) 60 operations of the judicial system;

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

63 To take necessary steps in the collection of unpaid (m) court costs, fines and forfeitures; 64

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

To promulgate standards, rules and regulations for 68 (0)computer and/or electronic filing and storage of all court records 69 70 and court-related records maintained throughout the state in courts and in offices of circuit and chancery clerks * * * ; and 71 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 The Administrative Director of Courts shall conduct an (2) 77 audit of the Mississippi Youth Court Information Delivery System 78 (MYCIDS) by November 15, 2024, to make recommendations regarding 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, 2025. 82

83 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from 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.