

By: Representative Currie (By Request)

To: Banking and Financial
Services

HOUSE BILL NO. 545

1 AN ACT TO DECLARE THAT GOLD OR SILVER ISSUED BY THE
2 GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OR A U.S. STATE IS RECOGNIZED AS
3 LEGAL TENDER IN THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; TO PROHIBIT PERSONS FROM
4 BEING REQUIRED TO OFFER OR ACCEPT GOLD OR SILVER EXCEPT WHEN
5 AGREED UPON BY CONTRACT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

7 **SECTION 1.** (1) Any gold or silver coin, specie or bullion
8 issued as legal tender by the government of the United States or
9 any state in the United States is recognized as legal tender in
10 the State of Mississippi.

11 (2) A person may not be required to offer or accept legal
12 tender described in subsection (1) of this section for the payment
13 of debts, deposit or any other purpose. A person may not be held
14 legally liable for refusing to offer or accept gold or silver
15 coins, specie or bullion as legal tender, except as specifically
16 agreed upon by contract.

17 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
18 and after July 1, 2025.

