

By: Representative Boyd (19th)

To: Judiciary B

## HOUSE BILL NO. 800

1 AN ACT TO CREATE "JOSSELYN'S LAW"; TO PROHIBIT BAIL FOR ANY  
2 PERSON ARRESTED FOR CAPITAL MURDER; TO AUTHORIZE RELEASE IF FOUND  
3 NOT GUILTY IN A COURT OF LAW; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** (1) This act shall be known and may be cited as  
6 "Josselyn's Law".

7 (2) (a) Bail shall not be allowable or otherwise authorized  
8 for any person who is arrested for capital murder as defined by  
9 Section 97-3-19. Such person shall remain in custody and shall  
10 not be released from custody, unless the person is found not  
11 guilty by a court of law.

12 (b) The provisions of this section shall be construed  
13 to prohibit any form of release by a court of law for any person  
14 who is arrested for capital murder as defined in Section 97-3-19.

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

