

By: Representative Felsher

To: Judiciary B

HOUSE BILL NO. 1189

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 99-19-75, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO INCREASE THE DEPOSITS PAID INTO THE "VICTIMS OF HUMAN
3 TRAFFICKING AND COMMERCIAL SEXUAL EXPLOITATION FUND"; AND FOR
4 RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 99-19-75, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
7 amended as follows:

8 99-19-75. (1) In addition to any monetary penalties and any
9 other penalties imposed by law, there shall be imposed and
10 collected from each person upon whom a court imposes a fine or
11 other penalty for any violation of Section 97-3-65, 97-5-1 et seq.
12 or 97-3-7, when committed against a minor, an assessment of One
13 Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to be deposited into the Mississippi
14 Children's Trust Fund created in Section 93-21-305, using the
15 procedures described in Section 99-19-73.

16 (2) In addition to any monetary penalties and any other
17 penalties imposed by law, there shall be imposed and collected
18 from each person upon whom a court imposes a fine or other penalty
19 for any violation of Section * * * 97-3-54.1, 97-3-65, 97-3-95,



20 97-5-1 et seq., or 97-29-51 or a felony under Section 97-3-7, an
21 assessment of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), and anyone upon
22 whom a court imposes a fine or other penalty for a misdemeanor
23 violation of Section 97-3-7, an assessment of not less than One
24 Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) nor more than One Thousand Dollars
25 (\$1,000.00) to be deposited into the "Victims of Human Trafficking
26 and Commercial Sexual Exploitation Fund" created in Section
27 97-3-54.11. In the discretion of the court, the assessments
28 provided for in this subsection (2) may be paid by the defendant
29 in installments.

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

