To: Corrections

By: Representative Currie

HOUSE BILL NO. 1438

- AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 47-5-933, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
 TO REMOVE THE AUTHORITY OF THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF
 CORRECTIONS TO INCLUDE, AS AN INFLATION INDICATOR, A THREE PERCENT
 ANNUAL INCREASE IN ITS CONTRACT PRICE FOR THE HOUSING OF STATE
 OFFENDERS IN COUNTY REGIONAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES; TO AMEND
 SECTION 47-5-945, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO CONFORM TO THE
 PRECEDING SECTION; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.
- 8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 9 **SECTION 1.** Section 47-5-933, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 10 amended as follows:
- 11 47-5-933. The Department of Corrections may contract for the
- 12 purposes set out in Section 47-5-931 for a period of not more than
- 13 twenty (20) years. The contract may provide that the Department
- 14 of Corrections pay a fee of no more than Thirty-two Dollars and
- 15 Seventy-one Cents (\$32.71) per day for each offender that is
- 16 housed in the facility. * * * The state shall retain
- 17 responsibility for medical care for state offenders to the extent
- 18 that is required by law; provided, however, the department may
- 19 reimburse each facility for contract medical services as provided

- 20 by law in an amount not to exceed Six Dollars and Twenty-five
- 21 Cents (\$6.25) per day per offender.
- SECTION 2. Section 47-5-945, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 23 amended as follows:
- 24 47-5-945. The Department of Corrections shall contract for
- 25 the purposes set out in Section 47-5-943 for a period of not more
- 26 than twenty (20) years. * * * The state shall retain
- 27 responsibility for medical care for state offenders to the extent
- 28 that is required by law.
- 29 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 30 and after July 1, 2025.