To: State Affairs

By: Representative Yates

HOUSE BILL NO. 1459

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 9-12-1, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE MISSISSIPPI SUPREME COURT TO APPOINT FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME JUDGES FOR THE CAPITOL COMPLEX IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (CCID); TO ESTABLISH THE SALARIES FOR THE CCID JUDGES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

- 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 7 **SECTION 1.** Section 9-12-1, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 8 amended as follows:
- 9 9-12-1. (1) (a) From and after January 1, 2024, there
- 10 shall be created one (1) inferior court as authorized by Article
- 11 6, Section 172 of the Mississippi Constitution of 1890, to be
- 12 located within the boundaries established in Section 29-5-203 for
- 13 the Capitol Complex Improvement District, hereinafter referred to
- 14 as "CCID". The CCID inferior court shall have jurisdiction to
- 15 hear and determine all preliminary matters and criminal matters
- 16 authorized by law for municipal courts that accrue or occur, in
- 17 whole or in part, within the boundaries of the Capitol Complex
- 18 Improvement District; and shall have the same jurisdiction as
- 19 municipal courts to hear and determine all cases charging

- 20 violations of the motor vehicle and traffic laws of this state,
- 21 and violations of the City of Jackson's traffic ordinance or
- 22 ordinances related to the disturbance of the public peace that
- 23 accrue or occur, in whole or in part, within the boundaries of the
- 24 Capitol Complex Improvement District.
- 25 (b) Any person convicted in the CCID inferior court may
- 26 be placed in the custody of the Mississippi Department of
- 27 Corrections, Central Mississippi facility.
- 28 (2) The Chief Justice of the Mississippi Supreme Court * * *
- 29 may appoint two (2) full-time CCID judges. In addition, the Chief
- 30 Justice may appoint one (1) part-time judge for the CCID court,
- 31 who shall serve for such time specified by the Chief Justice.
- 32 * * * Each judge shall possess all qualifications required by law
- 33 for municipal court judges. Such judge shall be a qualified
- 34 elector of this state, and shall have such other qualifications as
- 35 provided by law for municipal judges.
- 36 (3) The Administrative Office of Courts shall provide
- 37 compensation for * * * all CCID inferior court judges and the
- 38 support staff * * * for the judges. * * * The compensation of
- 39 each full-time judge shall be in an amount not to exceed Ten
- 40 Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) less than the compensation paid to
- 41 county court judges. The compensation of the part-time judge
- 42 shall be paid at an hourly rate and for such times as deemed
- 43 necessary by the full-time CCID judges.



- 44 (4) All fines, penalties, fees and costs imposed and
- 45 collected by the CCID inferior court shall be deposited with the
- 46 City of Jackson municipal treasurer or equivalent officer.
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- 48 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 49 and after July 1, 2025.