

By: Representative Watson

To: Judiciary B

## HOUSE BILL NO. 1973

1 AN ACT TO RESTORE THE RIGHT OF SUFFRAGE TO STEPHEN ROY SIMS  
2 OF FORREST COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** The right of suffrage is hereby fully and  
5 completely restored to Stephen R. Sims of Forrest County,  
6 Mississippi, who was disqualified as an elector as a result of his  
7 conviction for the crime of embezzlement x 6 in Newton County, on  
8 January 18, 2011, for which he was sentenced to serve five (5)  
9 years in the custody of the Mississippi Department of Corrections,  
10 with each count to run concurrently. He was continued on parole  
11 June 18, 2013.

12 He was discharged from parole due to expiration of sentence  
13 on February 13, 2017. The Legislature is informed that he has  
14 since conducted himself as a law-abiding and honorable citizen in  
15 a good and lawful manner.

16 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
17 and after its passage.

