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To: Constitution

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 559

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION  
2 109, MISSISSIPPI CONSTITUTION OF 1890, TO PROVIDE THAT A PUBLIC  
3 OFFICER SHALL NOT BE INTERESTED IN ANY CONTRACT AUTHORIZED BY A  
4 LAW ON WHICH HE VOTED.

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF  
6 MISSISSIPPI, That the following amendment to the Mississippi  
7 Constitution of 1890 is proposed to the qualified electors of the  
8 state:

9 Amend Section 109, Mississippi Constitution of 1890, to read  
10 as follows:

11 Section 109. No public officer or member of the Legislature  
12 shall be interested, directly or indirectly, in any contract with  
13 the state, or any district, county, city, or town thereof,  
14 authorized by any law passed or order made by any board of which  
15 he may be or may have been a member, during the term for which he  
16 shall have been chosen, or within one (1) year after the  
17 expiration of such term, if he voted on the law or order  
18 authorizing such contract.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this proposed amendment shall be  
20 submitted by the Secretary of State to the qualified electors at  
21 an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday  
22 of November 2000, as provided by Section 273 of the Constitution  
23 and by general law.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the explanation of this proposed  
25 amendment for the ballot shall read as follows: "This proposed  
26 constitutional amendment provides that the prohibition of a public  
27 official from having any interest in a contract with any board of

28 which he is a member shall apply if the public official voted on  
29 the law or order authorizing the contract."