

By: White (29th)

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 56
(As Adopted by Senate)

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE MISSISSIPPI DIVISION OF THE
2 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LEGAL SECRETARIES (NALS) AS IT HOSTS THE
3 REGIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION ON THE
4 MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST.

5 WHEREAS, NALS, Inc., (formerly known as National Association
6 of Legal Secretaries) has been providing high quality education,
7 certification and networking for legal support staff throughout
8 the United States since 1929; NALS is a nonprofit, nonunion
9 professional association with a membership of over 6,000 people in
10 the United States and Canada; membership is not limited to legal
11 secretaries, but is made up of people engaged in work of a legal
12 nature such as attorneys, law office administrators, paralegals,
13 court reporters, court clerks, trust departments, governmental
14 offices, etc. Members support and abide by the Code of
15 Professional Responsibility of The American Bar Association as
16 well as the NALS Code of Ethics; and

17 WHEREAS, members benefit from local, state, regional and
18 national programs that enhance not only the members, but also
19 their law firm, corporation or government office. Their careers
20 are expanded through the exceptional educational opportunities
21 available at all levels of the association: continuing legal
22 education, resource materials, networking opportunities,
23 professional certification and a commitment to the Code of Ethics
24 and Professional Standards as set forth by The American Bar
25 Association; and

26 WHEREAS, the Mississippi Division of NALS, Inc., (formerly
27 known as the Mississippi Association of Legal Secretaries or

28 (MALS) was organized in 1962. There are chapters in
29 Greenwood-Greenville, Jackson, Hattiesburg-Laurel, Biloxi-Ocean
30 Springs and Harrison-Hancock Counties; and

31 WHEREAS, these members are dedicated to assisting in
32 maintaining the highest level of performance and expertise of the
33 legal profession; in addition to the many educational and
34 certification programs offered to their members and individuals in
35 the legal profession, their association is involved in various
36 civic projects throughout their local communities; and

37 WHEREAS, the Mississippi Division of NALS, Inc., is hosting
38 the Third Annual Region 6 Meeting on the Mississippi Gulf Coast
39 July 14-16, 2000, at The Oasis Resort at the Gulfport Grand
40 Casino; Region 6 consists of members from Mississippi, Louisiana,
41 Texas, Oklahoma, Missouri and Arkansas; additionally, members from
42 Alabama and Georgia are registering for this conference as well
43 and it appears this meeting will be their region's largest
44 conference to date; and

45 WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we thank legal
46 secretaries for their important role in the state's judicial
47 system and recognize this organization as it brings honor to its
48 members and to the State of Mississippi:

49 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
50 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend the Mississippi Division of
51 the National Association of Legal Secretaries (NALS) as it hosts
52 the Region 6 Conference of the national organization on the
53 Mississippi Gulf Coast on July 14-16, 2000, and wish this
54 exemplary group of citizens continued success in their future
55 endeavors.

56 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be furnished to
57 the President of NALS and be made available to the Capitol Press
58 Corps.