

By: Representative Malone

To: Penitentiary

HOUSE BILL NO. 1230

1 AN ACT TO CREATE A MEDICAL RELEASE PROGRAM FOR OFFENDERS IN
2 THE CUSTODY OF THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS WHO ARE
3 COMPLETELY BEDRIDDEN; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 SECTION 1. The Commissioner and the Medical Director of the
6 Department of Corrections may place an offender who has served not
7 less than one (1) year of his sentence on medical release. The
8 commissioner shall not place an offender on medical release unless
9 the medical director of the department certifies to the
10 commissioner that (a) the offender is suffering from a serious
11 medical condition causing him to be permanently confined to a bed;
12 (b) his continued incarceration will serve no rehabilitative
13 purposes; and (c) the state would incur unreasonable expenses as a
14 result of his continued incarceration.

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