

By: Representative Smith (39th)

To: Fees and Salaries of  
Public Officers

HOUSE BILL NO. 303

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 19-25-31, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
2 TO INCREASE THE PER DIEM COMPENSATION AUTHORIZED TO BE PAID BY  
3 COUNTIES TO BAILIFFS FROM \$40.00 TO \$60.00; AND FOR RELATED  
4 PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 19-25-31, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
7 amended as follows:

8 19-25-31. Each judge of a circuit, chancery or county court,  
9 or a court of eminent domain may, in the judge's discretion, by  
10 order entered on the minutes of the court, allow the sheriff  
11 riding bailiffs to serve in the respective court of such judge,  
12 not to exceed four (4) bailiffs. Any such person so employed  
13 shall be paid by the county on allowances of the court on issuance  
14 of a warrant therefor in the amount of Sixty Dollars (\$60.00) for  
15 each day, or part thereof, for which he serves as bailiff when the  
16 court is in session. No full-time deputy sheriff shall be paid as  
17 a riding bailiff of any court. County court judges shall be  
18 limited to one (1) bailiff per each court day.

19 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
20 and after October 1, 2002.

