

By: Representative Holland

To: Public Buildings,
Grounds and Lands

HOUSE BILL NO. 725

1 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE ALTERATION OF CERTAIN HISTORICAL
2 MONUMENTS AND THE OFFICIAL STATE FLAG; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** (1) None of the following items, structures or
5 areas may be relocated, removed, disturbed, altered, redesigned,
6 renamed or rededicated: The official flag of the State of
7 Mississippi or any Revolutionary War, War of 1812, Mexican War,
8 War Between the States, Spanish-American War, World War I, World
9 War II, Korean War, Vietnam War, Persian Gulf War, Native-American
10 or African-American historical statue, monument, memorial or
11 nameplate, which has been erected on public property of the state
12 or any of its political subdivisions; and any statue, monument,
13 memorial, nameplate, street, bridge, building, park, preserve,
14 reserve or other public item, structure or area of the state or
15 any of its political subdivisions, which has been dedicated in
16 memory of or named for any historical figure or historical event.

17 No person may prevent the public body responsible for
18 maintaining the official state flag or any of the items,
19 structures or areas described above from taking proper measures
20 and exercising proper means for the protection, preservation and
21 care of those items, structures or areas.

22 The provisions of subsection (1) of this section and of
23 Section 3-3-16, which relates to the design of the official state
24 flag, may be amended or repealed only upon passage of an act that
25 has received a two-thirds (2/3) vote on final passage in each
26 house of the Legislature.



27 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
28 and after July 1, 2002.

