By: Representative Scott (80th)

To: Public Health and Welfare; Appropriations

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 1456

AN ACT TO PROVIDE A CREDIT AGAINST STATE INCOME TAXES FOR
PHYSICIANS WHO MOVE THEIR PRACTICE TO A CRITICAL NEEDS AREA FOR
PRIMARY MEDICAL CARE AND PRACTICE FULL TIME IN THAT AREA; TO
PROVIDE THAT THE CREDIT SHALL BE IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO FIFTY
PERCENT OF THE PHYSICIAN'S INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX LIABILITY, UP TO
\$10,000.00 IN ANY YEAR, AND SHALL BE ALLOWED FOR UP TO FIVE YEARS;
AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

- BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 9 **SECTION 1.** Any licensed physician who, after January 1,
- 10 2002, moves his or her practice to a critical needs area for
- 11 primary medical care from an area not located in a critical needs
- 12 area for primary medical care, and who practices full time in that
- 13 critical needs area for primary medical care, shall be allowed a
- 14 credit against the taxes imposed by this chapter. The credit
- 15 shall be in an amount equal to fifty percent (50%) of the
- 16 physician's individual income tax liability that results from
- 17 income derived from his or her practice in that critical needs
- 18 area for primary medical care, not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars
- 19 (\$10,000.00) in any year. The credit shall be allowed for a
- 20 maximum of five (5) years for all practice in that critical needs
- 21 area for primary medical care.
- 22 SECTION 2. Section 1 of this act shall be codified as a new
- 23 section in Article 1, Chapter 7, Title 27, Mississippi Code of
- 24 1972.
- 25 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 26 and after January 1, 2002.