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To: Judiciary A

HOUSE BILL NO. 1528

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 93-3-11, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 PROVIDE THAT PARENTS ARE NOT LIABLE FOR CONTRACTS OF MINORS UNLESS
3 THEY AGREE IN WRITING; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 93-3-11, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
6 amended as follows:

7 93-3-11. (1) The disabilities of minority of any married
8 minor having attained the age of eighteen (18) are hereby removed
9 solely for the purpose of executing, signing, or acknowledging
10 contracts of purchase or sale, deeds, promissory notes, deeds of
11 trust or mortgages, other negotiable or nonnegotiable instruments,
12 assignments, or other transfers, homestead declarations, or
13 homestead exemption applications, or other legal documents
14 pertaining solely to the property occupied or to be occupied as
15 the actual place of residence of such married minors. To assure
16 validity and enforceability according to their terms of any legal
17 documents executed by such married minors pursuant to this
18 section, occupancy of, or intention to occupy, property as the
19 place of residence of such married minors shall be conclusively
20 presumed from the execution by them of such documents. The
21 removal of disabilities provided under this section shall be
22 supplemental and cumulative of other laws, but shall not be
23 construed so as to apply to any transaction other than
24 transactions pertaining to the residences or intended residences
25 of such minors.

26 (2) The parents of minors shall not be liable for contracts
27 of the minors unless the parents agree in writing to be liable for



28 such contracts. The provisions of this subsection shall apply to
29 married and unmarried minors.

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

