

By: Senator(s) Turner

To: Judiciary

SENATE BILL NO. 2638

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 9-3-45, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 PROVIDE THAT COPIES OF THE OFFICIAL MISSISSIPPI EDITION OF THE
3 DECISIONS FOR THE SUPREME COURT AND ADVANCE SHEETS SHALL BE
4 DELIVERED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO CERTAIN OFFICERS OF THE
5 COURT ONLY UPON THEIR REQUEST; TO AMEND SECTIONS 7-3-13, AND
6 7-3-15, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO CLARIFY THE PROVISIONS OF LAW
7 THAT REQUIRE THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO FURNISH CERTAIN ENTITIES
8 COPIES OF THE SOUTHERN REPORTER-MISSISSIPPI SERIES; AND FOR
9 RELATED PURPOSES.

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

11 **SECTION 1.** Section 9-3-45, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
12 amended as follows:

13 9-3-45. * * * The Secretary of State shall contract for the
14 purchase of and * * * purchase not more than four hundred (400)
15 copies of the official Mississippi edition of the decisions of the
16 Supreme Court and advance sheets with headnotes, and it shall,
17 when approved by the Chief Justice, certify the account therefor
18 to the State Fiscal Officer, who thereupon shall issue his warrant
19 upon the State Treasury for the amounts so specified * * *. The
20 Secretary of State shall deliver a copy to each circuit judge,
21 each chancellor, each district attorney, and each county attorney,
22 each county judge, each Supreme Court judge, the Attorney General
23 and each assistant who has requested such a copy, and to all
24 others heretofore or hereafter authorized by law to receive a copy
25 and who have requested such a copy. The Secretary of State shall
26 stamp thereon the following: "Property of the State of
27 Mississippi for the use of the _____ Judicial District," and his
28 successors in office; and he shall place an appropriately similar
29 stamp on each copy delivered to the other court officers mentioned
30 in this section.



31 The contractor shall have exclusive sale of all reports
32 published under this section, including the advance sheets with
33 headnotes, but the contract shall provide that the permanent
34 volumes of the Mississippi Reports shall not sell, within the
35 state, for a greater price than that approved by the Chief
36 Justice. The contractor shall mail the advance sheets directly to
37 each circuit judge, each chancellor, each district attorney, and
38 each county attorney who requests the advance sheets at the same
39 time they are mailed out to other subscribers within the state.

40 **SECTION 2.** Section 7-3-13, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
41 amended as follows:

42 7-3-13. The Secretary of State shall cause ten (10) copies
43 of each volume of the "Southern Reporter-Mississippi Cases," and
44 ten (10) copies of the department reports * * * to be provided to
45 the State Library.

46 **SECTION 3.** Section 7-3-15, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
47 amended as follows:

48 7-3-15. The Secretary of State shall transmit, free of cost,
49 one (1) copy of each volume of "Southern Reporter-Mississippi
50 Cases" to the sheriff of each county of the state, for the county
51 library; one (1) copy of each volume thereof to each of the
52 following educational institutions, to wit: Mississippi State
53 University, Alcorn State University, Mississippi University for
54 Women, Mississippi College School of Law, Delta State University,
55 Jackson State University, Mississippi Valley State University, and
56 the University of Southern Mississippi; ten (10) copies of each
57 volume thereof to the University of Mississippi; and one (1) copy
58 of each volume to the Library of Congress at Washington, D.C.

59 The above provisions of this section are in recognition of
60 benefits received through receipt at depository libraries and
61 elsewhere in the State of Mississippi of public documents of the
62 United States under the provisions of federal and state laws.



63 **SECTION 4.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
64 and after its passage.

