

By: Senator(s) Jordan

To: Juvenile Justice;
Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 2759

1 AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 608, GENERAL LAWS OF 2000, TO
2 CONTINUE THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON GANG BEHAVIOR IN MISSISSIPPI; AND
3 FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** Chapter 608, General Laws of 2000, is amended as
6 follows:

7 Section 1. (1) There is hereby created a joint committee of
8 the Senate and House of Representatives to be known as the Joint
9 Juvenile Justice Committee on Gang Behavior in Mississippi,
10 hereinafter referred to as the "committee." The committee shall
11 study and make recommendations to the Legislature related to the
12 coordination of policy to study, track, identify and develop
13 strategies for dealing with gangs and other groups that, as a
14 group, engage in felonious criminal activity, and to study gangs,
15 gang violence and juvenile crimes.

16 (2) The committee shall consist of the following members:

17 (a) The Chairmen and Vice Chairmen of the Senate
18 Juvenile Justice Committee and the House Juvenile Justice
19 Committee.

20 (b) Three (3) members of the Senate appointed by the
21 Lieutenant Governor and three (3) members of the House of
22 Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House.

23 (3) The Chairman of the Senate Juvenile Justice Committee
24 shall serve as chair of the committee.

25 (4) The committee may submit its findings and
26 recommendations to the Legislature * * *.



27 (5) The members of the committee shall obtain the approval
28 of the Management Committee of the House of Representatives and
29 the Rules Committee of the Senate for per diem and travel expense
30 expenditures of the committee. The members of the committee shall
31 not receive per diem or expenses while the Legislature is in
32 session. All expenses incurred by and on behalf of the committee
33 shall be paid from the contingency funds of the Senate and the
34 House of Representatives.

35 (6) In conducting its activities pursuant to this act, the
36 committee may elicit the support of and participation by federal,
37 state and local agencies and interested associations,
38 organizations and individuals.

39 Section 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
40 and after July 1, 2000 * * *.

41 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
42 and after its passage.

