MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION 2002

By: Senator(s) Huggins

To: Public Health and Welfare; Appropriations

SENATE BILL NO. 2940

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 41-7-73 AND 41-17-1, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO ADD THOSE NEW FACILITIES OPERATED BY THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH TO STATUTES RELATING TO INSTITUTIONAL CARE REIMBURSEMENT AND OPERATING AUTHORITY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 41-7-73, Mississippi Code of 1972, is amended as follows:

41-7-73. The term "state institution" or "state institutions" as used in Sections 41-7-71 through 41-7-95 shall include the following: Mississippi State Hospital at Whitfield, Ellisville State School, East Mississippi State Hospital at Meridian, Mississippi Children's Rehabilitation Center, North Mississippi Regional Center, Hudspeth Regional Center, South Mississippi Regional Center, North Mississippi State Hospital at Tupelo, * * * South Mississippi State Hospital, University of Mississippi Hospital, * * * Boswell Regional Center, the Juvenile Rehabilitation Center at Brookhaven, the Specialized Treatment Facility for the Emotionally Disturbed in Harrison County, and the Central Mississippi Residential Facility at Newton.

SECTION 2. Section 41-17-1, Mississippi Code of 1972, is amended as follows:

41-17-1. * * * Mississippi State * * * Hospital at Whitfield, * * * East Mississippi State Hospital at Meridian, North Mississippi State Hospital at Tupelo, South Mississippi State Hospital at Purvis, the Specialized Treatment Facility for the Emotionally Disturbed in Harrison County, and the Central Mississippi Residential Facility at Newton are established for the

care and treatment of *** * *** persons <u>with mental illness</u>, free of charge, except as otherwise provided.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2002.

ST: New facilities administered by MS Department of Mental Health; add to reimbursement statutes.