

By: Representative Pierce

To: Ways and Means

HOUSE BILL NO. 613

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 27-19-155, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO REQUIRE THE LICENSE TAG COMMISSION TO PURCHASE VEHICLE LICENSE
3 TAGS FROM THE MISSISSIPPI PRISON INDUSTRIES CORPORATION; TO REPEAL
4 SECTION 27-19-157, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, WHICH PROVIDES THAT
5 IF LICENSE TAGS ARE REQUIRED TO BE MADE BY PRISONERS AT THE STATE
6 PENITENTIARY, THEN THE TAGS WILL BE PURCHASED FROM THE
7 PENITENTIARY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

9 **SECTION 1.** Section 27-19-155, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
10 amended as follows:

11 27-19-155. The license or numbered tag * * * provided for in
12 this section shall be purchased by the License Tag Commission,
13 composed of the Governor, Commissioner of Revenue, Attorney
14 General, and the State Treasurer * * *. The License Tag
15 Commission shall award the contract for the manufacture and
16 purchase of license tags to the Mississippi Prison Industries
17 Corporation created under the Mississippi Prison Industries Act of
18 1990. The Mississippi Prison Industries Corporation shall begin
19 manufacture of the license tags on July 1, 2003. The License Tag
20 Commission may renegotiate any contract entered into for the
21 purchase of license tags in order to obtain any other or
22 additional tags necessitated by the passage of this article.

23 All license tags and numbered plates purchased under the
24 provisions of this article shall be paid for pursuant to an
25 appropriation to be made for such purposes. All monies received
26 by the State Tax Commission as registration or tag fees, either
27 from the tax collectors, or from licenses issued by the State Tax
28 Commission, shall be paid into the State Treasury on the same day
29 in which such funds are collected by the State Tax Commission.



30 **SECTION 2.** Section 27-19-157, Mississippi Code of 1972,
31 which provides that if license tags are required to be made by
32 prisoners at the State Penitentiary, then the tags will be
33 purchased from the Penitentiary, is repealed.

34 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
35 and after July 1, 2003.

