

By: Representatives Gunn, Ellington,
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To: Apportionment and
Elections

HOUSE BILL NO. 1599

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 23-15-125, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO CHANGE THE REASON FOR WHICH A VOTER'S NAME MAY BE ERASED FROM A
3 POLLBOOK; TO CHANGE THE CAUSE FROM "REMOVAL FROM THE SUPERVISOR'S
4 DISTRICT" TO "REMOVAL FROM THE VOTING PRECINCT"; AND FOR RELATED
5 PURPOSES.

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

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 23-15-125, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
8 amended as follows:

9 23-15-125. The pollbook of each voting precinct shall have
10 printed or written at the top of each page words to designate the
11 voting precinct for which it is to be used, and shall be ruled in
12 appropriate columns, with printed or written headings, as follows:
13 Date of registration; name of electors; date of birth; and a
14 number of blank columns for the dates of elections. All who
15 register within thirty (30) days before any regular election shall
16 be entered on the pollbooks immediately after such election, and
17 not before, so that the pollbooks will show only the names of
18 those qualified to vote at such election. When election
19 commissioners determine that any elector is disqualified from
20 voting, by reason of removal from the voting precinct, or other
21 cause, that fact shall be noted on the registration book and his
22 name shall be erased from the pollbook.

23 **SECTION 2.** The Attorney General of the State of Mississippi
24 shall submit this act, immediately upon approval by the Governor,
25 or upon approval by the Legislature subsequent to a veto, to the
26 Attorney General of the United States or to the United States
27 District Court for the District of Columbia in accordance with the

28 provisions of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended and
29 extended.

30 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
31 and after the date it is effectuated under Section 5 of the Voting
32 Rights Act of 1965, as amended and extended.