

By: Representative Snowden

To: County Affairs

HOUSE BILL NO. 1214

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 19-5-18, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 PROVIDE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MAY AUTHORIZE THE TAX
3 COLLECTOR/ASSESSOR TO INCLUDE GARBAGE COLLECTION FEES ON THE
4 ADVALOREM TAX BILL; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 19-5-18, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
7 amended as follows:

8 19-5-18. (1) To defray the cost of establishing, operating
9 and maintaining the system provided for in Section 19-5-17, the
10 board of supervisors may develop a system for the billing and/or
11 the collection of any fees or charges imposed on each person
12 furnished garbage and/or rubbish collection and/or disposal
13 service by the county or at the expense of the county. The board
14 of supervisors may designate, by resolution, a county official to
15 collect the fees or charges. If the board of supervisors
16 designates an elected county official to collect the fees or
17 charges, the board of supervisors shall pay the reasonable costs
18 incurred in collecting the fees or charges. The county official
19 so designated shall notify the board of supervisors monthly of any
20 unpaid fees or charges assessed under Section 19-5-21. The
21 sheriff of the county, in accordance with the performance of his
22 regular duties, shall assist in the collection of any delinquent
23 fees or charges.

24 (2) The board of supervisors may enter into a contract upon
25 mutual agreement with a public or private corporation, nonprofit
26 corporation, planning and development district or a public agency,
27 association, utility or utility district within the county and/or
28 the area receiving garbage and/or rubbish collection and/or

29 disposal services from the county for the purpose of developing,
30 maintaining, operating and administering a system for the billing
31 and/or collection of fees or charges imposed by the county for
32 garbage and/or rubbish collection and/or disposal services. The
33 entity with whom the board of supervisors contracts shall notify
34 the board of supervisors monthly of any unpaid fees or charges
35 assessed under Section 19-5-21. Any entity that contracts to
36 provide a service to customers, within the area being served by
37 the county's garbage and/or rubbish collection and/or disposal
38 system, may provide a list of its customers to the board of
39 supervisors upon the request of the board.

40 (3) The board of supervisors may authorize the tax
41 collector/assessor to include the fees or charges for garbage or
42 rubbish collection or disposal service on the annual advalorem tax
43 bill.

44 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
45 and after July 1, 2005.