

By: Senator(s) Dawkins, Williamson

To: Rules

SENATE BILL NO. 2631

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 3-3-17, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO  
2 DESIGNATE THE AMERICAN BLACK BEAR AS THE STATE LAND MAMMAL; AND  
3 FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 3-3-17, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
6 amended as follows:

7 3-3-17. The white-tailed deer (*Odocoileus virginianus*), the  
8 red fox (*Vulpes vulpes*) and the American black bear (*Ursus*  
9 *americanus*) are designated the state land mammals of Mississippi.

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