

**Adopted
AMENDMENT NO 1 PROPOSED TO**

Senate Bill No. 2829

BY: Senator(s) Ross

1 **AMEND by placing the following after line 324 and renumbering**
2 **subsequent sections accordingly:**

3 **SECTION *.** Section 23-15-169.3, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
4 amended as follows:

5 23-15-169.3. (1) The Secretary of State shall have the
6 authority to accept federal funds authorized under the Help
7 America Vote Act of 2002 and to meet all the requirements of the
8 Help America Vote Act of 2002 in order to expend the funds.

9 (2) Counties that purchase voting systems that comply with
10 the requirements of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 including,
11 but not limited to, counties that purchase such systems prior to
12 July 12, 2004, shall be eligible for federal funds accepted by the
13 Secretary of State for Help America Vote Act of 2002 compliance
14 efforts. The only restriction that the Secretary of State may
15 place on the expenditure of federal funds for the purchase of
16 voting systems is that the systems comply with the criteria
17 established in the Help America Vote Act of 2002 for voting
18 systems.

19 **FURTHER, AMEND line 26 of the title by placing the following**
20 **after the semicolon:**

21 TO AMEND SECTION 23-15-169.3, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO CLARIFY
22 THE ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL FUNDS ACCEPTED BY THE SECRETARY OF
23 STATE FOR HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT COMPLIANCE EFFORTS OF COUNTIES
24 THAT PURCHASE CERTAIN VOTING SYSTEMS;