

By: Senator(s) Robertson

To: Finance

SENATE BILL NO. 3189

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AN INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR CERTAIN
2 TAXPAYERS FOR THE COST AND EXPENSES INCURRED FOR PURCHASING AND
3 INSTALLING INSULATION, ENERGY-EFFICIENT REPLACEMENT WINDOWS AND
4 HIGH-EFFICIENCY HEATING AND COOLING EQUIPMENT ON PROPERTY UPON
5 WHICH HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION IS GRANTED; TO LIMIT THE AMOUNT OF THE
6 CREDIT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

8 **SECTION 1.** (1) There shall be allowed as a credit against
9 the taxes imposed by this chapter fifty percent (50%) of the
10 amount of any costs and expenses incurred by the taxpayer, not to
11 exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) per year, for
12 purchasing and installing insulation, energy-efficient replacement
13 windows and high-efficiency heating and cooling equipment to
14 eligible property. To be eligible for the credit the gross income
15 of the taxpayer may not exceed Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000);
16 however, if the taxpayer is filing a joint return the gross income
17 of the taxpayers may not exceed Forty Thousand Dollars
18 (\$40,000.00). The credit that may be utilized in each year shall
19 be limited to the amount of income tax imposed on the taxpayer for
20 the taxable year.

21 (2) The tax credit authorized by this section shall apply
22 only to improvements made to eligible property during calendar
23 years 2007 and 2008.

24 (3) To claim the credit authorized pursuant to this section,
25 the taxpayer shall attach a copy of the tax receipt for homestead
26 exemption on the eligible property along with supporting
27 documentation as to the improvements made to the eligible property
28 to all income tax returns upon which the credit is claimed.

29 (4) As used in this section, "eligible property" means
30 property located in Mississippi used for residential purposes
31 owned by the taxpayer and upon which homestead exemption is
32 granted.

33 (5) This section shall stand repealed on January 1, 2009.

34 **SECTION 2.** Section 1 of this act shall be codified in
35 Chapter 7, Title 27, Mississippi Code of 1972.

36 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
37 and after January 1, 2007.