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AMENDMENT PROPOSED TO *House Concurrent No. 79*

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AMEND by deleting all of the language after the word "ENTITLED" on line 3 through the end of line ³⁸~~15~~ and all of the language after the word "entitled" on line ³⁷~~20~~ through the end of line ⁶⁰~~33~~ and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A STATEWIDE ELECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF SELECTING THE DESIGN OF THE OFFICIAL FLAG OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; TO PROVIDE THAT THE VOTERS IN THE ELECTION SHALL FIRST VOTE ON THE QUESTION OF CHANGING THE DESIGN OF THE CURRENT OFFICIAL STATE FLAG, AND THEN VOTE ON THE DESIGN OF A NEW OFFICIAL STATE FLAG FROM AMONG FOUR ALTERNATIVE DESIGNS; TO PROVIDE THAT PERSONS WHO VOTE AGAINST CHANGING THE DESIGN OF THE OFFICIAL STATE FLAG MAY VOTE BUT SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO VOTE ON THE DESIGN OF A NEW OFFICIAL STATE FLAG; TO PROVIDE THAT IF A MAJORITY OF THE VOTES CAST ON THIS ISSUE ARE AGAINST CHANGING THE DESIGN OF THE CURRENT STATE FLAG, THEN THE CURRENT STATE FLAG SHALL REMAIN AS THE OFFICIAL STATE FLAG; TO PROVIDE THAT IF A MAJORITY OF THE VOTES CAST IN THE ELECTION ON THIS ISSUE ARE IN FAVOR OF CHANGING THE DESIGN OF THE CURRENT STATE FLAG, THEN THE DESIGN OF THE OFFICIAL STATE FLAG SHALL BE THE ALTERNATIVE DESIGN THAT RECEIVES A MAJORITY OF THE VOTES CAST IN THE ELECTION FOR ALL OF THE ALTERNATIVE DESIGNS; TO PROVIDE THAT IF NONE OF THE ALTERNATIVE DESIGNS RECEIVES A MAJORITY OF THE VOTES CAST IN THE ELECTION ON THIS ISSUE, THERE SHALL BE A RUNOFF ELECTION THREE WEEKS LATER BETWEEN THE TWO ALTERNATIVE DESIGNS RECEIVING THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF VOTES; TO PROVIDE THAT THE ALTERNATIVE DESIGN RECEIVING A MAJORITY OF THE VOTES CAST IN THE

RUNOFF ELECTION SHALL BE THE DESIGN OF THE OFFICIAL STATE FLAG;
TO REQUIRE THAT THE ELECTION BE ADMINISTERED BY MEANS OF BALLOTS
CONTAINING A COLOR PICTURE OR DRAWING OF THE CURRENT STATE FLAG
AND EACH OF THE ALTERNATIVE DESIGNS OF THE OFFICIAL STATE FLAG;
TO REQUIRE THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO PROVIDE THOSE BALLOTS TO
THE ELECTION COMMISSIONERS OF EACH COUNTY; TO AMEND SECTIONS
23-15-351 AND 23-15-355, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO CONFORM TO
THE PRECEDING PROVISIONS; TO BRING FORWARD SECTION 3-3-16,
MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, WHICH PRESCRIBES THE DESIGN OF THE
OFFICIAL STATE FLAG, FOR THE PURPOSES OF POSSIBLE AMENDMENT; AND
FOR RELATED PURPOSES."