

By: Representative Scott

To: Public Health and Human Services

HOUSE BILL NO. 21

1 AN ACT TO DIRECT THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH TO
2 CONVERT 500 BEDS AT INTELLECTUAL/DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
3 FACILITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT THAT ARE NOT BEING USED FOR PROVIDING
4 SERVICES TO THOSE PERSONS SO THAT THOSE BEDS MAY BE USED TO
5 PROVIDE ALCOHOL AND DRUG USE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT SERVICES;
6 AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

8 **SECTION 1.** The State Department of Mental Health shall
9 convert five hundred (500) beds at facilities under the
10 jurisdiction of the department for persons with
11 intellectual/developmental disabilities that are not being used
12 for providing services to those persons so that those beds may be
13 used to provide alcohol and drug use prevention and treatment
14 services.

15 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
16 and after its passage.

