

March 18, 2009

TO THE MISSISSIPPI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE FOR HOUSE BILL 878

I am returning House Bill Number 878: "AN ACT TO CONFORM MISSISSIPPI'S TRADEMARK ACT TO THE 2007 REVISION OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRADEMARK ASSOCIATION'S MODEL STATE TRADEMARK ACT; TO AMEND SECTION 75-25-1, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE DEFINITIONS; TO AMEND SECTIONS 75-23-3, 75-25-5, 75-25-7, 75-25-11, 75-25-13, 75-25-17 AND 75-25-19, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO CONFORM; TO AMEND SECTION 75-25-25, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE REMEDIES AVAILABLE TO THE OWNER OF A MARK; TO AMEND SECTIONS 75-25-27 AND 75-25-29, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO CONFORM; TO CODIFY SECTION 75-25-35, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO CODIFY SECTION 75-25-37, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO SPECIFY THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE ACT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES." without my approval, and assign the following reasons for my veto.

Today, I signed into law Senate Bill 2641, which is identical to House Bill 878. Therefore, there is no need for House Bill 878.

Respectfully submitted,

HALEY BARBOUR
GOVERNOR