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ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES NOTICE FILING

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Short explanation of rule/amendment/repeal and reason(s) for proposing rule/amendment/repeal: Requires poultry composters to have wire going to the roof above composter bins and gates at the entrances to composter bins. This rule must be adopted on an emergency basis due to the possibility of vultures and other animals seizing poultry carcasses infected with Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) or Infectious Laryngotracheitis (ILT) and taking the carcasses to nearby poultry operations, which constitutes an imminent peril to the public health, safety and welfare.

Specific legal authority authorizing the promulgation of rule: *Miss. Code Ann.*, §69-15-3.

List all rules repealed, amended, or suspended by the proposed rule: *MBAH Regs.*, Title 2, Part 101, Subpart 2, Ch. 13, Sec. 105, Disposal of Dead Poultry

ORAL PROCEEDING:

☐ An oral proceeding is scheduled for this rule on Date: _____ Time: _____ Place: _____

☒ Presently, an oral proceeding is not scheduled on this rule.

If an oral proceeding is not scheduled, an oral proceeding must be held if a written request for an oral proceeding is submitted by a political subdivision, an agency or ten (10) or more persons. The written request should be submitted to the agency contact person at the above address within twenty (20) days after the filing of this notice of proposed rule adoption and should include the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the person(s) making the request; and, if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the party or parties you represent. At any time within the twenty-five (25) day public comment period, written submissions including arguments, data, and views on the proposed rule/amendment/repeal may be submitted to the filing agency.

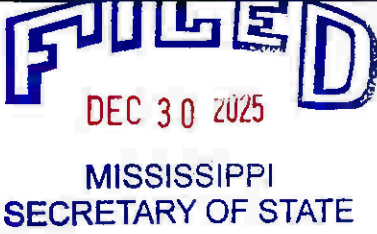
ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:

☒ Economic impact statement not required for this rule. ☐ Concise summary of economic impact statement attached.

TEMPORARY RULES	PROPOSED ACTION ON RULES	FINAL ACTION ON RULES
☒ Original filing ☐ Renewal of effectiveness To be in effect in _____ days Effective date: ☒ Immediately upon filing ☐ Other (specify): _____	Action proposed: ☐ New rule(s) ☐ Amendment to existing rule(s) ☐ Repeal of existing rule(s) ☐ Adoption by reference Proposed final effective date: ☐ 30 days after filing ☐ Other (specify): _____	Date Proposed Rule Filed: Action taken: ☐ Adopted with no changes in text ☐ Adopted with changes ☐ Adopted by reference ☐ Withdrawn ☐ Repeal adopted as proposed Effective date: ☐ 30 days after filing ☐ Other (specify): _____

printed name and title of person authorized to file rules: Hope Martin, DVM, Deputy State Veterinarian

signature of person authorized to file rules: *Hope B. Martin*

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