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## Corrections Veteran Given New Role at MDOC

JACKSON – Mississippi Corrections Commissioner Pelicia E. Hall announced today a new role for a corrections veteran in her department.

Jacquelyn Banks is now acting director of the private/regional facilities and joint state/county work programs.

“Ms. Banks continues to be a valuable member of the Mississippi Department of Corrections,” Commissioner Hall said. “I know she will do well in this key role for the agency because of her prior experience working for both state and private prisons.”

Banks, who has 32 years in corrections, has been tapped to temporarily fill the role held by Tony Compton, who retired in June, plus to oversee the programs in which the MDOC contracts with counties to house state inmates.

The state has three private prisons, 15 regional jails, and 24 joint state/county work programs.