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**Who:** Andy Gipson, Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce

What: Third Meeting of Study Committee on Foreign Purchase of

Farmland in Mississippi

When: Thursday, October 19, 2023; 10:00 a.m.

Where: Room 113, Mississippi State Capitol

400 High St, Jackson, MS 39201

## Mississippi Study Committee on Foreign Purchase of Farmland to Hold Third Meeting

The Study Committee on Foreign Purchase of Farmland in Mississippi, chaired by Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Andy Gipson, will hold its third meeting in Room 113 at the State Capitol on Thursday, October 19, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

The Mississippi Legislature created the study committee for the purpose of studying the purchasing, acquiring, leasing or holding an interest in agricultural land by foreign governments. The Study Committee will hear public testimony and review comments during the scheduled meeting. The Study Committee will develop and report its findings to the Legislature on or before December 1, 2023.

Visit www.mdac.ms.gov/farmland for more information about the Study Committee including meeting proceedings and USDA foreign ownership information. Public comments are welcome via email and can be submitted at farmland@mdac.ms.gov through November 9, 2023.

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Media Note: Commissioner Andy Gipson will be available for interviews.