BANCORPSOUTH INC Form 8-K May 10, 2011

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

#### FORM 8-K CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 10, 2011 (May 10, 2011)

#### BANCORPSOUTH, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Mississippi 1-12991 64-0659571

(State or other jurisdiction of Number) Identification No.) incorporation)

One Mississippi Plaza 201 South Spring Street Tupelo, Mississippi

38804

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (662) 680-2000

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2 below):

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Section 7 Regulation FD

## Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On May 10, 2011, BancorpSouth, Inc. issued a press release announcing its branch optimization plan. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

#### **Section 9** Financial Statements and Exhibits

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 Press release issued on May 10, 2011 by BancorpSouth, Inc.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

## BANCORPSOUTH, INC.

By: /s/ Cathy S. Freeman
Cathy S. Freeman
Executive Vice President and Corporate
Secretary

Date: May 10, 2011

## **EXHIBIT INDEX**

Exhibit Number Description

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