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To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 175

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING THE MISSISSIPPI  
2 LEGISLATURE TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND  
3 ADMINISTRATION, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES  
4 RETIREMENT SYSTEM, TO CONDUCT A STUDY OF THE FEASIBILITY OF  
5 ALLOWING CERTAIN RETIRED LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES TO PARTICIPATE  
6 IN THE STATE EMPLOYEES LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN IN THE SAME  
7 MANNER AS PROVIDED FOR RETIRED STATE EMPLOYEES; AND FOR RELATED  
8 PURPOSES.

9 WHEREAS, retired employees of a local institution, department  
10 or agency and elected county officials who do not run for  
11 reelection or who are defeated before being entitled to receive a  
12 retirement allowance deserve to participate in the State Employees  
13 Life and Health Insurance Plan in the same manner as provided for  
14 retired state employees; and

15 WHEREAS, at the present time, such employees have difficulty  
16 in maintaining their insurance into retirement; and

17 WHEREAS, the Department of Finance and Administration, in  
18 conjunction with the Public Employees retirement System, is the  
19 appropriate agency to conduct such a study and to report the  
20 findings to the Mississippi Legislature:

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
22 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING  
23 THEREIN, That we do hereby memorialize the Mississippi Legislature  
24 to require the Department of Finance and Administration, in  
25 conjunction with the Public Employees Retirement System, to  
26 conduct a comprehensive study of the feasibility of allowing  
27 retired employees of a local institution, department or agency and  
28 elected county officials who do not run for reelection, or who are  
29 defeated before being entitled to receive a retirement allowance,

30 to participate in the State Employees Life and Health Insurance  
31 Plan in the same manner as provided for retired state employees;  
32 to require the department to prepare and present to the Senate and  
33 House Insurance Committees by December 15, 1999, the results of  
34 the study and to include a proposed implementation timetable and  
35 potential actuarial effects on the existing state employee health  
36 plan; to require that the department use existing staff resources  
37 and those of other agencies to conduct this study; and to require  
38 that the department shall not employ a consultant or contractor  
39 other than an actuary to conduct this study.