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To: Education;
Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1206

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO DUALY ENROLL
2 HOME SCHOOL STUDENTS UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; AND FOR RELATED
3 PURPOSES.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

5 SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, "home school
6 students" are those children taught by private teachers, parents,
7 guardians or custodians in a legitimate home instruction program
8 as defined in the Mississippi Compulsory School Attendance Law
9 (Section 37-13-91).

10 (2) Upon the request of a parent, guardian or legal
11 custodian of a home school student, the local school board may
12 register the student in a public school for dual enrollment
13 purposes, as provided under this section. If the home school
14 student is enrolled in a public school district for dual
15 enrollment purposes, the home school student may participate in
16 any academic activities in the district on a part-time basis and
17 also may participate on the same basis as public school students
18 in any extracurricular activities available to students in the
19 home school student's grade. A home school student applying for
20 dual enrollment must reside within the attendance boundaries of
21 the school in which the student is seeking enrollment. Request
22 for dual enrollment in the following school year must be submitted
23 by the parent, guardian or legal custodian before May 1.

24 (3) Any home school student dually enrolled in a public
25 school shall be included in the school's attendance for purposes
26 of minimum education program or adequate education program

27 funding.

28 (4) Nothing in this section may be construed to require any
29 home school student to enroll with any school district for dual
30 enrollment purposes.

31 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
32 and after its passage.