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To: Fees, Salaries and Administration

SENATE BILL NO. 2934  
(As Sent to Governor)

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 7-7-41, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO  
2 AUTHORIZE THE STATE FISCAL OFFICER TO PROMULGATE REGULATIONS AND  
3 PROCEDURES REGARDING THE POSTAUDITING OF CLAIMS AND THE ISSUANCE  
4 OF WARRANTS AND OTHER FORMS OF PAYMENTS FOR ALL STATE AGENCIES,  
5 DEPARTMENTS AND INSTITUTIONS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

7 SECTION 1. Section 7-7-41, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
8 amended as follows:[RF1]

9 7-7-41. The State Fiscal Officer may promulgate such  
10 regulations and procedures as he may deem necessary in regard to  
11 preauditing and postauditing claims and issuing warrants covering  
12 payments for construction contracts entered into by the  
13 Mississippi Department of Transportation, the Department of  
14 Finance and Administration, the State Department of Education, or  
15 by any other agency now existing or hereafter created, having  
16 control and supervision of the awarding and payment of  
17 construction contracts.

18 The State Fiscal Officer shall \* \* \* prescribe rules and  
19 regulations concerning the preauditing and postauditing of claims  
20 and the issuance of warrants and other forms of payments for all  
21 departments, institutions and agencies of the state, more  
22 particularly those coming within the provisions of Sections 7-9-41  
23 and 7-9-43, after full discussion with the fiscal officers  
24 thereof, to the end that the most efficient overall state  
25 accounting system may be maintained. Such regulations, however,  
26 shall be of such nature and application that the State Fiscal  
27 Officer shall be able to maintain adequate records in his books of

28 accounts of all fiscal operations of the state, and in no event  
29 shall the regular audit of the transactions of such departments,  
30 institutions and agencies by the State Department of Audit be  
31 suspended.

32 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from  
33 and after July 1, 2000.