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To: Education

SENATE BILL NO. 3116

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 37-9-71, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO  
2 PROVIDE THAT FOR STUDENT SUSPENSIONS GREATER THAN 10 DAYS, OR  
3 DISMISSALS, THE SCHOOL BOARD SHALL PROVIDE THE STUDENT A DUE  
4 PROCESS HEARING; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 37-9-71, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
7 amended as follows:[RDD1]

8 37-9-71. The superintendent of schools and the principal of  
9 a school shall have the power to suspend a pupil for good cause or  
10 for any reason for which such pupil might be suspended, dismissed  
11 or expelled by the school board. However, for suspensions greater  
12 than ten (10) days, or dismissals, the school board shall provide  
13 the student a due process hearing, either before the board or its  
14 designee. \* \* \*

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