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To: Universities and
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SENATE BILL NO. 3166

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 57-63-11, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO MAKE THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND
3 VETERINARY MEDICINE AT MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY AND THE
4 CHAIRMAN OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AT ALCORN STATE
5 UNIVERSITY MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL TASK FORCE FOR ECONOMIC
6 DEVELOPMENT PLANNING; TO REQUIRE THE HEADS OF THE STATE
7 INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING TO ASSIST THE SPECIAL TASK FORCE
8 FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLANNING IN AN ADVISORY CAPACITY AND TO
9 MEET WITH THE TASK FORCE AT LEAST ONCE ANNUALLY; AND FOR RELATED
10 PURPOSES.

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

12 SECTION 1. Section 57-63-11, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
13 amended as follows:

14 57-63-11. (1) The Special Task Force for Economic
15 Development Planning, to consist of not more than twenty-three
16 (23) members, is hereby created. The task force shall be composed
17 of:

18 (a) One (1) member from the state's public universities
19 and one (1) member from the state's junior colleges. These
20 members shall be selected by the Governor.

21 (b) One (1) member from the membership or staffs of
22 each of the following organizations: Mississippi Association of
23 Supervisors, Mississippi Municipal Association, Mississippi
24 Association of Planning and Development Districts, and the
25 Mississippi Industrial Development Council. These members will be
26 appointed to the task force by the Governor from recommendations
27 made to the board by the respective organizations.

28 (c) The President of the Mississippi Economic Council.

29 (d) The State Superintendent of Education.

30 (e) The State Treasurer.

31 (f) The Executive Officer of the State Board of Health.

32 (g) The Director of the State Highway Department.

33 (h) The Governor's Special Assistant for Economic
34 Development.

35 (i) The Executive Director of the Department of
36 Economic Development or his designee.

37 (j) The Vice President for Agriculture, Forestry and
38 Veterinary Medicine at Mississippi State University.

39 (k) The Chairman of the Department of Agriculture at
40 Alcorn State University.

41 (l) Two (2) members from federal agencies to be
42 appointed by the Governor.

43 (m) Eight (8) members to be selected by the Governor as
44 follows: Six (6) members shall be representatives of business
45 and/or professional enterprises in Mississippi; two (2) of the
46 eight (8) members may be representative of business or
47 professional enterprises residing outside Mississippi and may
48 include foreign nationals.

49 (2) The heads of the state institutions of higher learning
50 shall assist the task force in an advisory capacity and shall meet
51 with the task force at least once annually.

52 (3) It is the intent of the Legislature that the task force
53 will be organized, selected and constituted in such a way that it
54 represents the most talented individuals that could possibly be
55 assembled to address the economic development concerns and issues
56 of this state. Task Force members shall be appointed by July 1,
57 1987, and the Task Force shall have its organizational meeting no
58 later than August 1, 1987. The Governor shall designate from the
59 task force membership a task force chairman. Terms of service of
60 task force members shall coincide with the remaining term of the
61 Governor who makes the appointment.

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