MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

REGULAR SESSION 2001

By: Representative Compretta

To: Insurance; Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1036

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 25-15-14, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTED COUNTY SCHOOL OFFICIALS IN THE STATE AND SCHOOL EMPLOYEES HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN WHO DO NOT RUN FOR REELECTION OR WHO ARE DEFEATED BEFORE BEING ENTITLED TO RECEIVE A RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE SHALL BE ELIGIBLE TO CONTINUE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PLAN UNDER THE SAME CONDITIONS AND COVERAGES FOR RETIRED EMPLOYEES; TO PROVIDE THAT ANY ELECTED STATE OR DISTRICT OFFICIAL OR ELECTED COUNTY SCHOOL OFFICIAL WHO DOES NOT CONTINUE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PLAN UPON LEAVING OFFICE MAY JOIN THE PLAN AGAIN AFTER REACHING AGE SIXTY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 25-15-14, Mississippi Code of 1972, is amended as follows:

25-15-14. Any elected state or district official, or any elected county school official in the plan, who does not run for reelection or who is defeated before being entitled to receive a retirement allowance shall be eligible to continue to participate in the plan under the same conditions and coverages for retired employees. However, any such official who does not continue to participate in the plan upon leaving office may join the plan again after reaching age sixty (60).

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2001.