By: Representative Denny

To: Insurance; Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 1477

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 25-15-3, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO 1 INCLUDE MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES UNDER THE STATE AND SCHOOL EMPLOYEES 2 LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 4 5 SECTION 1. Section 25-15-3, Mississippi Code of 1972, is amended as follows: 6 7 25-15-3. For the purposes of this article, the words and 8 phrases used herein shall have the following meanings: 9 (a) "Employee" means a person who works full time for 10 the State of Mississippi and receives his compensation in a direct payment from a department, agency or institution of the state 11 12 government and any person who works full time for any school district, community/junior college, public library or 13 university-based program authorized under Section 37-23-31 for 14 deaf, aphasic and emotionally disturbed children or any regular 15 16 nonstudent bus driver and any person who works full time for any 17 municipality in the state. This shall include legislators, 18 employees of the legislative branch and the judicial branch of the 19 state and "employees" shall include full-time salaried judges and full-time district attorneys and their staff and full-time 20 compulsory school attendance officers. For the purposes of this 21 article, any "employee" making contributions to the State of 22 23 Mississippi retirement plan shall be considered a full-time 24 employee.

(b) "Department" means the Department of Finance andAdministration.

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27 (C) "Plan" means the State and School Employees Life and Health Insurance Plan created under this article. 28 (d) "Fund" means the State and School Employees 29 30 Insurance Fund set up under this article. 31 (e) "Retiree" means any employee retired under the Mississippi retirement plan. 32 "Board" means the State and School Employees Health 33 (f) Insurance Management Board created under Section 25-15-303. 34 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from 35 and after July 1, 2001. 36