AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 37-103-25, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER
LEARNING AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ANY COMMUNITY/JUNIOR COLLEGE
DISTRICT TO WAIVE OUT-OF-STATE OR OUT-OF-DISTRICT TUITION FOR ANY
STUDENT LIVING WITHIN 50 MILES OF A CAMPUS OR BRANCH FACILITY; AND
FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 37-103-25, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
amended as follows:

37-103-25. The Board of Trustees of State Institutions of
Higher Learning and the boards of trustees of the junior colleges
are hereby authorized to prescribe the amount of fees to be paid
by students attending the several state-supported institutions of
higher learning and junior colleges of the State of Mississippi.
In prescribing the rates to be paid by residents of other states,
the total fees shall not be less than the average cost per student
from appropriated funds. Provided, however, that the Board of
Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning and the board of
trustees of any community/junior college district are hereby
authorized, in their discretion, to waive out-of-state or
out-of-district tuition for any student living within fifty (50)
miles of a campus or branch facility of any university or college
under its jurisdiction.

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