

By: Representative Bowles

To: Universities and
Colleges

HOUSE BILL NO. 402

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 37-103-25, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO REQUIRE STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING AND COMMUNITY AND
3 JUNIOR COLLEGES TO WAIVE OUT-OF-STATE TUITION FOR NONRESIDENTS
4 WHOSE PARENTS ARE ALUMNI OF A STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING
5 WHO ALSO OWN REAL PROPERTY IN MISSISSIPPI; TO AMEND SECTIONS
6 37-29-81 AND 37-29-423, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, IN CONFORMITY TO
7 THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

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

11 37-103-25. (1) The Board of Trustees of State Institutions
12 of Higher Learning and the boards of trustees of the community
13 colleges and junior colleges are * * * authorized to prescribe the
14 amount of tuition and fees to be paid by students attending the
15 several state-supported institutions of higher learning and
16 community colleges and junior colleges of the State of
17 Mississippi. * * *

18 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the
19 total tuition to be paid by residents of other states shall not be
20 less than the average cost per student from appropriated funds.
21 However, the tuition to be paid by a resident of another state
22 must be equal to the tuition amount established under subsection
23 (1) of this section if:

24 (a) Both the mother and father of the nonresident
25 student are graduates of a state institution of higher learning in
26 Mississippi; and

27 (b) Both the mother and father of the nonresident
28 student own real property within the State of Mississippi.



29 **SECTION 2.** Section 37-29-81, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
30 amended as follows:

31 37-29-81. The district, in the discretion of the board of
32 trustees, may charge fees and tuitions in accordance with Section
33 37-103-25.

34 **SECTION 3.** Section 37-29-423, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
35 amended as follows:

36 37-29-423. The Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College
37 District, in the discretion of the board of trustees, may charge
38 fees and tuitions in accordance with Section 37-103-25.

39 **SECTION 4.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
40 and after July 1, 2002.

